

Endwell United Methodist Church

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Mission:

**To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation
of the world.**

From the Pastor's heart,

As we approach the fall months we stand ready to embrace all the demands and opportunities it will present. As a community of faith we are presently in a unique position of ministry where we now house, support and equip (4) ongoing, continual and vital ministries all operating on a single campus.

During the school year, our **Endwell Preschool** is housed downstairs in (4) classrooms for the 3 year old and UPK programs. The Preschool will follow the Maine Endwell School District 2023-2024 calendar and classes will meet weekdays from 9:00am-3:00pm.

On Saturdays, our **Hispanic ministry** meets in the sanctuary for worship beginning at 6:00pm and occasionally gathers in the fellowship hall for snacks following worship.

Our **Laotian ministry** presently gathers for Sunday school in the White room on Sunday morning beginning at 11:30am and then moves to the sanctuary for worship at 12:30pm.

Amidst this, we as the **Endwell UMC** have our myriad of ministries, missions, outreach projects, study groups, children and youth ministries and worship.

I share this information to ask for your prayers as we all move forward together, serving where God has called each of these ministries. Next, I ask for your flexibility, cooperation, patience and understanding as this all unfolds on our campus that has limited space and resources. Finally, I ask for your continued financial investment in this ministry as we are presently experiencing significant financial challenges that are highlighted in both the Administrative Council minutes and Finance Report, see below.

Praying, worshipping, serving, laughing and crying together, God continues to lead this ministry. Our call is to stay faithful, empowered and equipped for the time ahead. My prayer moving forward is that Endwell UMC will serve as a ministry model as to what authentic, inspiring and spirit-led disciples are in the 21st century!

From your Finance Team

As we reach the mid-year mark of 2023, our church has been challenged with rising inflation and unexpected costs for the facility. We needed some trees removed and our utility bills are up. A status presentation to the congregation on the Ministry Plan will be given on Sept 17th as currently our expenses exceed giving by ~\$40,000. Finance is asking everyone to do what they can to control expenses and if the spirit leads you to help with additional gifts to offset the increased expenses. Thank you for your generous gifts!!!



Children's Ministry Mission

Inspiring children to be rooted in God's love, laugh often, and live like Jesus.

2023



Children's Church for kid's Pre-K -5th grade is held during worship following the children's sermon from 10:15 – 11:00am and will resume on Sunday Sept. 10th. Children enjoy animated videos, snacks, Bible stories, crafts, experiential activities, spiritual practices, and reflection. We provide a safe place for children to ask big questions as they wonder about God and his love, care and provision. For more information on children and youth ministries visit us at www.rootedateumc.org



Pre K-2nd Grade CC Teachers: Julie Roma, Marisa & Emilia Pellerito, Charlotte Moran, Dee Terpak, Kris & Maria Yacovoni, Tina & Emily Snyder

3rd-5th Grade CC Teachers: Lacey Skorupa, Lynne Kimpland, Kristen Snyder, Fara Shoudy, Ronnie Gorman, Kim Rockefeller, Lois Blight, Jenn Potter.



Trunk or Treat will be held on Tuesday October 31st 4-6pm. Donations of individually wrapped candy and Trunk Treaters are needed. Candy can be dropped off at the church between now and the event. Trunk Treaters are asked to arrive by 3:45pm and provide treats to start. Donated candy will be replenished during the event. Please sign up so we can prepare accordingly.

Our TWIGS Youth Group Mission is to engage teens in Christian values and inspire them to be rooted in God's love, laugh often and live like Jesus.



TWIGS
Teens Walking In
Gods Spirit



Through events, missions and fun activities, youth are rooted in their faith and inspired to live, serve and share God's love. This year both groups, Jr. & Sr. High will come together on Sat. 6-7:30pm. Led by Lynne and Pastor Mark we are scheduled to resume on Sept. 16th with a parent & youth meet and greet. All our meeting themes, dates and times are subject to change. Please RSVP events a week in advance so we can prepare accordingly.

Sept. 16th – 6-7:30pm Parent & Youth Meet and Greet

Sept. 23rd - 6-7:30pm Nature Hike – Survival Skills

Sept. 30th - 6-7:30pm Reception for Liam

Oct. 7th 6-7:30—Progressive Dinner

Oct. 14th 6-7:30 - Game Night/Pigeon Release

Oct 21st 6:00pm Movie Night

Oct. 28th—6-7:30—TBD

Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

August 15, 2023

Attendance: Nancy Green, Carrie Cay, Jody Butts, Joyce Atherton, Dave Smith, Sandy Smetana, Cheryl Champlain, Howard Champlain, Anita VanWinkle, Mark Kimpland, Lynne Kimpland, Jim Marean, Kristina Harrington, Jim Short

Opening Devotion: Darlene Darrow

Protocol - Reconciliation and Grace through Separation and Restructuring of the UMC General Conference, April 23-May 4, 2024 in Charlotte, NC

Committee Reports

Finance – We are \$39,000 behind expenses, which is a deep concern. Jim Short will report to the congregation on Sunday, September 17th.

Trustees - waiting for generator and parts to heat the Sunday school wing, both upstairs and downstairs. We no longer will be using, or replacing, the boiler.

SPRC – meeting on August 22nd to meet with the new director of the Pre-school and set pastors' salaries for 2024.

Grove/Missions – 9/16 United Way Day of Caring, 9/30 Parking Lot and Bake Sale, 10/31 Trunk or Treat, Breakfast with the Bunny TBA for 2024.

Multi-Cultural Ministry – Hispanic worship, in the sanctuary, on Saturday evenings where presently about 20 people are attending.

Children's Church and Youth Ministry – set for the kick-off of Children's Church on September 10th and looking to renovate the Youth room as they kick off Saturday, September 16th @ 6:00pm.

Endwell Preschool – no report (since the meeting they have (6) 3 yr. olds but need at least (7). Please help promote this need). ***Following the meeting the request, via email, was passed to change Endwell Nursery school to the Endwell Preschool***

Lay Leadership – coming together on August 30th to nominate our leadership for next year.

Next Meeting: September 19, 2023

Devotion: Jim Short



Upcoming Events



On Tuesday, October 31 our Church will be holding its annual **Trunk or Treat** event. There will be a basket by the visitors center for Church members to be able to donate bags of candy for the event as we always run out of candy. On the counter of the visitors center there will be a sign up sheet for those Church members willing to decorate their cars and pass out candy. This is a safe event for the children in our community.



Red Bird Mission: plans are underway for our annual trip to the Red Bird Mission in Beverley, Ky. We hope to be able to fill two 26 foot trucks with shoeboxes full of personal hygiene supplies, new blankets, new sheets, new towels and various school supplies. Empty shoeboxes will be on the table by the visitors center with shoeboxes and the list of supplies that go in them. If you prefer you can take an envelope and put money in it and we will shop for you. This is a great way to support the people in KY, that are in need of items.



Thursday, September, 14, 2023 begins a 10 week study of the Book of Acts: The Continuing Acts of Jesus in All the Nations, a DVD, book resource by Paul Blackham. We will look closely at chapters in Acts, accounts of early followers, the gift of the Spirit and God working to spread the message of love to all peoples throughout the world. Two years ago, Pastor Mark encouraged us to study Acts and become a "Chapter 29 church: God strengthened; marked by new and encouraged by the Holy Spirit." You are welcome to join this study. Contact Anita VanWinkle: 607-304-0707 or dvanwinkle48@yahoo.com



TWIGS Bottle & Can Drive

We are still collecting returnable cans and bottles to benefit the TWIGS youth. Please put all of your glass bottles in cardboard boxes. **Do not mix the glass bottles with your cans or plastic bottles as they will not accept them.** Thank you for your help.



VINES FARM SHARE

****Every Wednesday****

4:00 PM-6:00 PM

SIGN UP BY GOING TO- www.vinesgarden.org



MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH

8:30 AM-11:30 AM

Through the Food Bank of the Southern Tier, we are providing over 200 boxes of food to families that register with dialing 211. This is a great opportunity for our Church to provide needed food once a month to many families.

We encourage any Church member to help out and volunteer some of their time with this mission project.....it's good for the SOUL!!!!



Grove Mission Team



9/16 United Way Day of Caring, 9:00-1:00



9/30 Parking Lot sale 8:00-1:00 \$25.00/ spot



10/31 Trunk or Treat

We are presently serving over 200 take out dinners every Monday night!! The area around us is considered to be in a food desert, resulting in a high demand for food.

We continue to deliver over 40 meals to the homebound!! Along those homebounders, we not only provide them with a hot meal but we also perform a wellness check on them too!!



Dog and cat food: We are in need of cat and dog food that can be distributed to people receiving Monday night dinners. A lot of the people receiving dinners either have cats or dogs and are in need of food for their animals. We are looking for

dry food or cans of food. Please consider helping us not only feed our neighbors, but also their pets.



THANK YOU

To my church family:

On behalf of my whole family, I would like to extend our gratitude to you all. The condolences, sympathy, care and concern, and friendship shown was overwhelming. Our Mom loved being part of this church. Her funeral was filled with beautiful music, testimony and scripture that I know she heard. Pastor Mark, Carolyn Corse, Dave and Ken and our vocalists Casandra and Hilary Rozek made this a service one we will never forget. From the calling hours, funeral, cards, flowers and donations we felt the love of you all. We are truly blessed to have all our EUMC friends. Thank you, we are forever grateful.

Kathy Stack and family

Michael Kenien and family

Kristine Kennedy and family



September 3

Anita VanWinkle
Dave VanWinkle

September 10

Georgia Tamblyn
Betty Jo Kasprzak

September 17

Steve Johnson
Paula Johnson

September 24

Tom Bushnell
Joyce Atherton

Dining Out

DINING FOR DOLLARS



Faith In Action: Dining for Dollars, sponsored by the Broome County Council of Churches, on Thursday, October 19, 2023 at the Riverdale on Watson Blvd. Save the date, more information to follow

PARKING LOT & BAKE SALE



Sept 30th

8am-1pm

Bring your unwanted stuff to sell!
Huge Parking Lot Sale-\$25 for two parking spots-limited tables available upon request
Looking for donated Baked Goods!

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