

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,

It is hard to believe that the "Holy Days" of Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas are right around the corner and we will usher out 2024 and welcome 2025. During the next 61 days we have many events, celebrations and opportunities to embrace that will strengthen our faith, our relationships with each other, and prepare us for life's greatest gift, the birth of Jesus!

Sunday, November 3rd @ 10:00am—All Saints Sunday worship

Saturday, November 16th @ 11:00am—2024 Charge Conference at The Vestal UMC

Sunday, November 17th @ 10:00am—Brown Bag Sunday

Saturday, November 23rd—Weis, Salvation Army bell ringing—All spots are full

Tuesday, November 26th @ 7:00pm—Endwell Community Thanksgiving worship @ The Northminister Presbyterian Church.

**Any one who would like to sing in the choir that evening is asked to attend the single rehearsal on Thursday, November 21st @ 7:00pm at The Northminister Presbyterian Church.*

**Our own Kristen Blight will be sharing the Presidential Thanksgiving Proclamation that evening.*

Saturday, November 30th @ 10:00am at Nelcorp—Pack the Red Bird Mission trucks

Friday, December 6th @ 7:00pm—The Mission/Grove Ugly Sweater Party in FH

Sunday, December 8th @ 10:00am—Confirmation of 17 confirmands

Sunday, December 15th @ 2:00pm—Mission/Grove Ladies Christmas Tea—FH

Tuesday, December 24th—Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship

4:30pm—This will include a children's time with Pastor Mark

7:00pm—This will include the Adult/Youth Choir and Hand Bell choir

Our preparation also includes individuals, or families, to light our advent candles during worship. If you would like to do so, please call the office as soon as possible. The advent weeks are below:

Sunday, 12/1—The Candle of Hope (Confirmation class)

Sunday, 12/8—The Candle of Peace

Sunday, 12/15—The Candle of Joy

Sunday, 12/22—The Candle of Love

Children's Ministry Mission



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



November 2024

Children's Church is held each week for kid's Pre-K -5th grade following the children's sermon from 10:15 – 11:00am. Our Curriculum this year is called Ministry to Kidz – our goal is to help kids fall in love with Jesus and discover what it means to follow him! 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



Sunday Oct. 6-Nov. 24th Confirmation Class 2024 I'm excited to announce that 17 have started their Confirmation journey on Oct. 6th and that will conclude on Nov. 24th. On Sunday Dec. 1st the Confirmands will participate in the worship service, they will serve as greeters, communion stewards and lighting the Advent Candle of Hope. Confirmation Sunday is scheduled for Dec. 8th.

Please keep the Confirmation class of 2024 in prayer as they take this step in their faith journey. During these 8 weeks, small white mailboxes and a list of confirmands will be on the back table in the Sanctuary if you would like to write a note of encouragement or supply a small gift such as bookmarks, key chains, candy, tags etc. Thanks, Lynne

Cassidy Huff, Maddie Gorman, Alaina Querrie, Grady & Emma Skorupa, Oliver & Nicholas Stewart, Lola Rose Czeitner, Jacob & Ali Denman, Levi Shoudy, Emalene & Eleanor Snyder, Evan Ricci, Emilia Pellerito, Charolette & Caroline Yonkoski



Due to Confirmation Class schedule change – **3rd Grade Bible Sunday** has been postponed to a Sunday in January. Date to be announced



On Thursday Oct. 31st – we held our Annual Trunk or Treat This was a safe and fun family event with over 600 in attendance. A BIG thanks to everyone who helped, donated candy or were Trunk Treaters. The community is always grateful and appreciates this family friendly community outreach.

2025 MINISTRY PLAN COMMITMENT LETTER

Dear Friends in Christ,

It is hard to believe that fall is in the air and we are coming into the last 3 months of 2024. We continue to be challenged this year due to inflationary pressures on our operating expenses. As everyone is aware costs have gone up dramatically for everyone including our church. Challenges are nothing new in the history of the church as faithful giving, responsible use of gifts and trying new ideas have ensured the mission of making disciples for Jesus Christ in the World. What an exciting and challenging time, thank you for your faithfulness in our ministry together!

As we look forward to the new year and plans for 2025, we are still challenged by inflationary pressures on our resources. The current plan for 2025 is affected by increases in energy and overall operating costs of the facility. Please pray about your ability to increase your commitment this year as the Ministry Plan costs are projected to grow by 10% or ~\$40,000. As we work to achieve a balanced Ministry Plan for this year and next, if you can help offset the increased costs from inflation it would be a blessing, thank you!

Below is a link for your 2025 Ministry Plan commitment. The process of getting this input from the congregation is critical to planning next year's programs. To be fiscally responsible, we are asking that individuals and families input their commitment electronically to save on mailing/processing costs. Not only is this electronic process cheaper, but it is VERY EASY as it takes just seconds to input your planned gifts (if you need help call the office or contact a member of the finance team). If you are uncomfortable doing this, paper commitment cards are available in the Sanctuary and church office. There is a concerted effort to communicate electronically to reduce costs in all areas of the ministry, thank you for your understanding.

<https://onrealm.org/EndwellUnitedMe/AddPledge/2025ministryplan>

Thank you for your support of our shared ministry together. Based on our collective financial support we can continue to chart a new path forward for the EUMC in 2025 and beyond!

Sincerely,

Your EUMC Finance Committee

Jim Short—Chair/Financial Secretary, Kristina Harrington—Treasurer

Dirk Olds, David Lane, Kim Rockefeller, Blake Burlingame, Betsy Perry, and Brian Howard



Electronic Giving

Want to support our Ministry?

It is easy to give electronically and reduces costs for the Church

Use your smartphone to follow the QR Code

Call the office if you need help



TRUSTEES

On Sunday, October 13, 2024 the Trustees approved the following items:

Repairs to the BBQ pit, install pressure treated 2x4s to support existing ones, cost is \$200.00

Approved rock salt purchase from Tru Green for \$288.12 for a pallet of 49 bags delivered

Approved the proposed 2025 Trustee budget

Approved the painting of the heaters in the narthex bathrooms and the replacement of the vinyl molding, cost around \$75.00

Approved the hiring of Sure Temp for the year 2025 for maintenance of all of our ductless units at a cost of \$10,799.50.

Trustees present: Diane Barton, Clint Gorman, Steve Borne, Patti Anderson, Jane Scheibner, Jim Green, Dave Alexander

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

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Opening Devotion: John Swezey

St. Pauly's Clothing Shed—the clothing shed is locked at night; it is being emptied more frequently; the room has been divided so the bags are not accessible from the slot.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance—close to breaking even—will start the pledge drive November 4th and run it through to the end of the year. A QR code will also be in place soon.

Trustees—continuing with the cleaning company we have been using—applying for a grant for a walk-in freezer

SPRC—looking at the process for choosing a pastor to replace Pastor Mark when he retires, with our District Superintendent, Rev. Bob Kolvik-Campbell

Grove/Missions—college boxes, fruit baskets for home bound, poinsettias for nursing home residents, laundry mission, Trunk or Treat on Halloween, Christmas Tea, Ugly Sweater Party

Associate Pastor—restarting the visitation ministry—Laotian church needs a Sunday School teacher

Multi-Cultural Ministry—putting in for a grant to continue the ministry through 2025.

Children's Ministry—Confirmation classes have started with 17 confirmands.

Youth Ministry—TWIGS going well, will assist with Brown Bag Sunday.

Endwell Preschool—revising the by-laws and updating job descriptions.

Lay Leadership—looking for people to support the finance team as counters on Sunday mornings.

Worship—All Saints Sunday Nov. 3rd, Holy Communion, Nov. 10th, Brown bag Sunday, Nov. 17th, Thanksgiving worship, Nov. 24th

Next meeting: Nov. 19, 2024

Devotion: Jen Potter

College Ministry

The college Ministry is looking for donations for our college students. We will be sending out packages to our college students the **last week of November**. You can drop off items at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings. We are looking for the following items:

Home baked cookies and brownies

Rice Krispy treats

Gluten free treats

Microwavable popcorn, mac-n-cheese, instant oatmeal

Soup/Ramen noodles

Individual snacks: chips, cookies, goldfish, crackers, candy, gum, mints

Granola bars and cereal bars

Dried fruit

With much appreciation!

College Ministries team



TOGETHER IN PRAYER in 2024

Everyone is invited to join this year long intentional focus on prayer, together. Simply log on to www.unyumc.org, click on “Resources” and scroll down to “Together in Prayer” to register. The registration process takes 30 seconds. Each month you will receive the monthly scripture reading, monthly prayer, meditation and weekly breath prayer.

May we ALL join our spirits and truly be:

TOGETHER IN PRAYER



Volunteer Chaplains Change Lives

Join Us

Volunteer two hours a week to offer comfort and hope.

Information Session

November 9th 11:00am

Arrowhead Parable Christian Store

November 10th 6:30pm

Union Presbyterian Church

November 14th 2:00pm

United Presbyterian Church of Binghamton

Take the Next Step

Connect with us today to learn how you can be part of this rewarding journey.

Contact Us Today

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Broome County Council of Churches



Tech Team News

Our current Sunday Tech Team Members are:

Ken Anderson, Pete Hatton, Dave Alexander,

Donna Halbert, Mark Miner, Steve Borne, Barry Bonitz

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or suggestions!

We are always looking for others to help on our team. If you want to learn something new and help just once per month please let Ken Anderson know @ kanderson1199@gmail.com. We also have special projects occasionally installing new hardware or testing after software updates.

We are currently evaluating installing 2 large monitors for the back half of the church so that those in the back have a better view of what's happening up front. More to come!

We recently obtained Non-profit licensing for the CANVA tool that helps with web graphics and Facebook ad development. If you would like to help us and have some creative ability we can give you access to a license. Also if you have CANVA skills you may be able to teach some of us.



Schools Back! (even for us adults)

Join us for your favorite topics in one of our EUMC Wisdom Exchanges.

Ask our Panel of Experts questions about topics that every one cares about. Share your knowledge as well.

These events will be held immediately after Sunday Worship during fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall. All ages welcome.

Our Next Scheduled Event is!

Sun Nov 10th - Online Shopping - including SHOP.COM updates Prepare for the Holidays and learn to save.

After the first of the year, we will kick off with some Healthy Living topics.



Ladies Christmas Tea

Sunday December 15th

2-4 in the Fellowship Hall

Entertainment provided

by

Maine Endwell Select Choir

Everyone is invited to attend!

We are looking for ladies to host tables!

HOSTS:

- ◆ DECORATE your table-the fellowship hall will be open on Saturday afternoon Dec 14th
 - ◆ Christmas China, Holiday decorations
- ◆ Provide a dessert for the guests at your table (up to 10 women)
- ◆ You can invite people to join you
- ◆ If you have extra space at your table, please welcome ladies looking to attend without a host.

Grove Missions Team will provide:

- ◆ Coffee
- ◆ Tea
- ◆ Sugar
- ◆ Creamer



Upcoming Events



Baked Goods –
NEEDED

“BAKE SALE”

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NEEDED

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND
11:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Breakfast

Men of all ages are invited to a Men's Breakfast on Saturday, November 9th at 8:00am at the Union Diner, on Main Street, Endicott. Plan on attending for good food and good conversation as men of all ages are welcomed.

LADIES BREAKFAST



The first Ladies breakfast will be held on Thursday, November 21st at the Union Diner in Endwell at 8:00am. Hope you can join us for “food” and “fellowship”

Upcoming Events



ADVENT BOOK STUDY

The Advent study will be The Scriptures Sing of Christmas, by J. Ellsworth Kalas. We will meet Thursdays, November 21 (skip November 27th) - December 19th, at 10:00am in the White Room. The chapter titles: Mary's Song; Concert in a Field; An Old Man Sings; and Song of Wondrous Mystery. The author shares his love of Christmas, music, life, people and God. If you would like to join this study, contact Anita VanWinkle, dvanwinkle48@yahoo.com or (607) 304-0707.

GREETERS



November 3

Steve Johnson
Paula Johnson

November 10

Judy and Tom Pass
Sara Jo Kukowski

November 17

Anita VanWinkle
Dale McGlynn

November 24

Tom Bushnell
Joyce Atherton



MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2024
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 anyone to help out and volunteer some of their time with this mission project.....it's good for the SOUL!!!!



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 continuing support of our youth.



The Grove is collecting spare change! Our mission is to give back to our local community by offering to pay for laundry at local laundromats. Volunteers will be heading out to pay for washing and drying as well as providing Tide pods and dryer sheets. Each person will receive a little card with a Bible verse and "Let us help lighten your load"-Your Friends at the EUMC. This is open to anyone who comes to do laundry. If you would like to donate your spare change, please put it in the Tide Bucket in the Welcome Center! The collection will be ongoing.

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