

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 journey through Epiphany, and into Lent, there are many opportunities to deepen your understanding, widen your faith, and enhance the meaning of being a disciple, (Learner, Follower), of Jesus. Allow me to outline a few of these opportunities:

***Souper Bowl of Caring**, Sunday, February 9th, following worship in the fellowship hall. We ask that you bring a crockpot of your favorite soup, chowder, chili, etc to share with others. The door to the fellowship hall will be unlocked that morning for you to place your soup on tables. Your servers that morning will be the TWIGS Youth Group. There will be a free will donation that will help fund our 20k Rise Against Hunger meal packing event being held on Saturday, May 3, 2025!

***Words of Life: Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments Today**, by Rev. Adam Hamilton, will be the Lenten study Thursdays, February 13-April 17, 2025, 10:00am, in the White Room. Rev. Hamilton says, "*These commands are not just ancient codes of conduct, but are guardrails and guideposts that God has provided to help us live an abundant life and know God's heart in a deeper way.*"

Each session on a commandment will connect to scriptures in the Old and New Testament. The DVD features many sites in Egypt and Mount Sinai and Rev. Hamilton asks Rabbi Arthur Nemitoff the Jewish understanding and application of The Commandments. If you would like to join this study, contact Anita Van Winkle, 607-304-0707 or dvanwinkle48@yahoo.com.

***Winter New Comer's Class**, Sunday, February 23rd, following worship, in the sanctuary. This is a wonderful time to meet new people, ask questions regarding this ministry and perhaps ponder where God might be calling you. If you would like to register for this, simply call the office.

***Ash Wednesday worship**, Wednesday, March 5th at both Noon and 7:00pm. Both services will be similar and will include the imposition (receiving) of ashes, to those desiring them.

Beginning, Sunday, March 9th, the 1st Sunday in Lent, until Palm Sunday, I will be resuming my **Sunday Sermon/Worship discussions**, in the sanctuary, following worship. After worship go to the fellowship hall and grab a snack/coffee and come back to the sanctuary for a time of sharing and learning during this sacred season of our faith. The time, each Sunday, (6 weeks), will conclude by Noon. Come when you are able, as we share this time together.

Boldly forward, by faith, together,

Pastor Mark



A Welcome Message from Children's Ministries

We hope this letter finds you and your family well. As the newly appointed co-directors of the Children's Ministries at Endwell United Methodist Church, we are thrilled to embark on this journey of faith, growth, and service alongside you and your children. It is both a privilege and a blessing to step into this role, and we are eager to see how God will work in and through us to nurture the spiritual development of our youngest members.

Children hold a special place in the heart of God, and we are committed to creating an environment where they feel loved, valued, and encouraged in their walk with Christ. Our vision for the Children's Ministries is to provide a seamless transition while building a strong foundation of faith through engaging, age-appropriate teachings, meaningful worship, and opportunities to live out their faith in practical ways.

We will continue with our children's church program, community events, and Vacation Bible School (VBS), with more information to follow.

We believe that a thriving children's ministry is built on partnership. We welcome your ideas, feedback, and prayers as we work together to make this ministry a place where children can encounter the love of Christ and develop a lifelong faith. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or suggestions.

Thank you for entrusting us with this important role. We are excited about what God has in store for our children and families and look forward to getting to know each of you better in the coming weeks and months. Let us walk together in faith, hope, and love as we nurture the next generation of disciples.

With God's Guidance,

Lois Blight and Jenn Potter
Co-Directors of Children's Ministries

January 2025

Dear Friends,

I am writing to ask for your financial support of our missions to feed those in need. We have provided a hot meal every Monday for the past 29 years to those individuals who are in need of food. We have delivered hot meals to individuals who are homebound, providing them with a friendly face and a wellness check on a weekly basis.

As we enter the year 2025, our numbers continue to increase as the need for food never stops. One in eight people in Broome County do not know where their next meal will come from. Our goal is to continue to provide a hot meal to those who are in need and to expand our delivery of meals to those individuals who are homebound. We also would like to reach out to the individuals living in tent cities by the river.

This vital mission is quite costly to accomplish and we ask that you consider financially supporting our goal to feed those in need. Your support of our mission to feed those in need is greatly appreciated.

Blessings in the New Year,

Dave Alexander
Coordinator



MONDAY NIGHT DINNERS

We are looking to form teams for each Monday of the month, we need four people to serve, two people to hand out drinks and two people to hand out desserts. The hours are 3:30-6:00pm. If anyone would like to volunteer to help out please call the Church office and let us know what Monday you can help out.



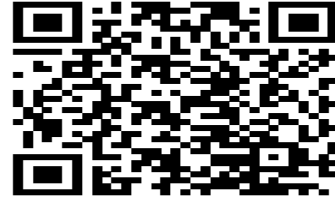
Electronic Giving

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



Words of Life:

Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments Today,
by Rev. Adam Hamilton

Thursdays, February 13-April 17, 2025
10:00 am, in the White Room

If you would like to join this study,
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CHURCH NEWS

Monday night dinner: we are serving around 70 people at our free community dinner. Each week we see new faces coming to eat and have fellowship with their friends. If you would like to help, please call the office and indicate which Monday of the month you could help.

Trustees: we would like to thank Cheryl and Howard Champlain for the time and efforts to remove the carpets from the rooms in the parsonage. The second floor of the parsonage has now been completed, painted and carpets removed, work has been started on the first floor.

The Trustees are working with the cleaning firm to get all of our tile floors stripped and waxed. The fellowship hall and office hallway are looking great.

The Trustees are still looking for volunteers to clean the filters in the ductless units, if interested please call the office.



Administrative Council

January 21, 2025

Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

Attendance: Mark Kimpland, Dave Alexander, Sean Chathasone, Anita VanWinkle, Lynne Kimpland, Sharon Fischer, Jen Potter, Lois Blight, Aaron Bennett, Howard Champlain, Colleen Borne, Carrie Kay, Joanne Howard

Opening Devotion: Howard Champlain – (Leaders/Leadership)

Committee Reports

Finance – At his request, Facilities Manager, Dave Alexander will not be paid, volunteers would fill in on different tasks. Dave would oversee volunteers. His request was accepted, line A-18 facilities manager will be zeroed out. With the above amendment, the 2025 Ministry Plan was unanimously approved.

The congregation will be briefed regarding the 2024 and 2025 Ministry Plans on Sunday, February 9th by Jim Short.

Trustees – \$15,000 for parsonage repairs, (painting, replacing carpets, new storm doors, and dryer). Ductless units have been maintained throughout the building. \$11,131.24 current balance in the NB Lord's Table fund – DID NOT come from congregation it came from grants and community donations. We are always in need of donations for this vital community mission.

SPRC - Anita welcomed new members and orientation – buddies were matched with staff to support throughout the year. Pastor Mark's vacation schedule, February 3rd-9th, and the last 2 weeks at end of June. Pastor Mark's retirement dinner will be held on June 14th and his final Sunday will be June 15th.

Grove/Missions – Have a budget of \$2000 and a carry over of \$2063. Voted on spending \$50 for cups for Souper Bowl Sunday, \$200 for fellowship coffee, \$800 for National Night Out, \$500 for Rise Against Hunger, \$175 for shipping college boxes. The Spring parking lot sale will be on May 17th.

Children's Ministry – Lois and Jenn report that curriculum and teachers are in place through June. April 12th Breakfast with the Bunny, proceeds to help with VBS which will be held from July 6th-10th and the theme will be, "What A Mess"!

TWIGS Youth Ministry – Aaron reported that they participated with the January Mobile Food Pantry and will also be servers at the upcoming Souper Bowl of Car-ing, on February 9th. He has launched the Game Changer app to better enhance communication with youth and parents. Youth will also be participating in the May 3rd Raise Against Hunger 20K meal packing event at Holy Family.

Endwell Preschool – Director Beth Strong thanks Dave Alexander for his snow removal/safety efforts this winter and securing the new shed, purchased by MESD. Pastor Mark was a Mystery Reader last week and the children enjoyed having him in to read to them! We will continue this throughout the rest of the school year. If there is anyone else that would like to be a reader to the 3's class or the UPK class, please contact Beth at endwellpreschool2022@gmail.com Registration for our Caregiver + Me 2's class and the Smart Play 3's class is now open -- please feel free to pass along that registration is open to family and friends that have little ones looking for a preschool setting. The 2's class meets once a week (Monday mornings) for an hour and a half and the 3's class meets four days a week (Tuesday - Friday) for two and a half hours. I appreciate you spreading the word for us! **Contact Beth for more information, endwellpreschool2022@gmail.com

Lay Leadership – Urged committee leaders to report any personal changes, throughout the year, to the Pastor.

Worship — Ash Wednesday worship, March 5th at both Noon and 7:00pm. There will be no live streaming of either service. Sunday Sermon/Worship discussions will begin following worship on Sunday, March 9th, after worship in the sanctuary, until Noon, until Palm Sunday.

Devotion: Anita VanWinkle

Next Meeting: February 18, 2025



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!

Late February or early March



It has been suggested we do the next Wisdom Exchange on Artificial Intelligence. Since this is a valve to all I would also recommend to YOUYH 13 and older to attend. This would be an introductory discussion as several people I have spoken to have dipped their toes in.

- What is this thing called AI?
- What does it mean to me in my daily life either at home or the workplace??
- How will I benefit from it?

I have one outside expert signed up if we can sync dates.

If there is anyone that would like to sit on the panel for this please contact me.

Qualifications: (don't need to be and EXPERT, but have familiarity)

- Use tools like CHAT GPT in my workplace or business
- Work in technical fields of AI and computing
- I use AL in my spare time for personal benefit.

Thank you
Ken Anderson



Seems so unreal to write 2025, but the Lord has seen fit to let me see the beginning of the new year. I am so thankful for that.

Thank the church and staff for the delicious fruit basket. I shared it with my son and daughter-in-law. I also thank you for continuous delivery of the food bank. What I don't eat or use I send it with Lori, my daughter-in-law to her church to give to the seniors (over 70 years old) and live on a much lessor income than I do. I am so blessed. Love in Christ, Theresa Perkins

Ongoing bottle drive for
T.W.I.G.S.
Youth Group

Drop off on
Sundays or during
the week.



GREETERS/USHERS



February 2

Anita VanWinkle
Dale McGlynn
Ken & RoseMarie Schlock (U)

February 9

Tom Bushnell
Joyce Atherton
Dan & Dee Terpak (U)

February 16

Patti Anderson
Art Newcomb
Clint & Anne Gorman (U)

February 23

Georgia Tamblyn
Betty Jo Kasprzak
Ellen Frisbee &
Sharon Fischer (U)

Upcoming Events

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2025

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!!!!



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH

11:00 AM – 6:00 PM

NO BAKE SALE

Sunday, February 9th

Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing 2025 Event!



Upcoming Events

Ladies Luncheon

A Ladies lunch will be held on Thursday, **February 13th** at the Union Diner, on Main Street, Endicott, at **12:00pm**. Please plan to attend for “food” and “fellowship”



Our Brooks Chicken Bar-B-Q's are returning and the next date is set for **Friday, February 14, 2025** beginning at **3:00pm**, until sold out. Pre Sale tickets are highly encouraged and can be purchased at our website or through the church office. **We request all presale dinners be picked up by 5:00pm.** Let's make this a great event and promote this through social media and invite family and friends to support this event. We ask that all presale orders be picked up by 5:00pm.

Breakfast

Men of all ages are invited to a Men's Breakfast on Saturday, **February 15th 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.

Upcoming Events

MEETING NITE

Tuesday, February 18th

6:00pm

SPRC, Finance, Missions

7:00pm

Administrative Council – Fellowship Hall

Winter 2025 New Comer's Class

Sunday, February 23rd

Following Worship

**Come, meet others and explore this
Vital ministry with others.....**

Please call the office to reserve your spot

March 5th



- Noon
- 7:00pm
- Both services will be held in sanctuary

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