

Endwell United Methodist Church

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Mission:

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



Dear Endwell UMC Family,

Hello! I thought I would write a letter of introduction, so you could get to know your incoming senior pastor. By the way, I prefer to be called Nancy – or Pastor Nancy.

I have been a full-time pastor since July 1990. Prior to entering seminary at Drew University Theological School in Madison, New Jersey in 1987, I was a special education teacher for six years. I taught for one year at C.R. Weeks Elementary School in the Windsor School District and for five years at Candor High School in the Candor Central School District.

It was while I was teaching in Candor full time and getting my M.S. Ed. part time at SUNY Binghamton (now Binghamton University), that I heard God calling me to ordained ministry. Several people had come to me, encouraging me to pursue ordained ministry as a vocation. I was able to ignore these comments when they first began to surface. Lay speaking opportunities and other affirming experiences later brought the comments to mind, but I still did not take them seriously. Then a persistent “gnawing” in my heart developed. I felt like if I didn’t share, I was going to burst.... As I said, I went to Lay Speakers’ (now Lay Servants’) training and had some opportunities to engage in music ministry, but the gnawing persisted. The comments soon started coming in greater number, with greater frequency, and with greater intensity. I then began to nervously contemplate my blindness to what others saw in me. I could ignore this possibility no longer and began candidacy studies. Like Jonah, I found that it is futile to try to run from God’s call... The minute I decided to go to seminary, the gnawing was replaced with peace...

My first appointment after graduation from seminary was Hartwick, Mt. Vision, and West Laurens on the Oneonta District. Then I was appointed as the associate pastor of the Endwell UMC exactly 30 years ago! From here I went to Park Terrace, then to Ransom & Bethel and director of Christians United Together Cooperative Parish on the Scranton District. From there I came to Newark Valley and director of Caring Covenant Cooperative Parish. You could have knocked me over with a feather when Bishop Webb called to invite me to serve on the Cabinet as Superintendent of the Mountain View District, where I served for 6 years. My appointment was extended for missional reasons for the 7th and 8th year, and I became the Binghamton & Oneonta District Superintendent. Since a DS cannot serve more than 8 continuous years, so when my term was up, I was appointed to the Owego UMC, where I have served the last 3 years. Then you could have knocked me over with a feather again when DS Bob Kolvik-Campbell called, saying that the Bishop & Cabinet have discerned that I am the one that God is calling to Endwell!

I am a fourth generation pastor and will soon have all eight ordination certificates on the wall in my home office. They span the years 1900-1992. It is a marvelous legacy which I cherish. As a preacher's kid, I knew the life of a pastor, so that's why I was hesitant to answer God's call to ordained ministry.

Each year since 1985, I have either counseled, directed, or co-directed Special Needs Camp at Sky Lake except for the summers of 1990 when I became a full time pastor, 2014 when I became a District Superintendent, and 2020 because of Covid. Sky Lake is my favorite place in the world. I will be there again the week of July 14-18. Sky Lake is also the place where much of my early development as a Christian leader occurred.

I can tell you that I will always be honest with you and trust that you will always be honest with me. I encourage people to use their gifts and call gifts out of people that they sometimes don't know they have. I defended my thesis in seminary on "The Priesthood of All Believers," so you will probably get sick of me saying all Christians are called to ministry. I have a persistent compassion for people, even when we have our differences. My strong faith is a gift, and I will constantly point us to Christ. I have a decent sense of humor, and love to laugh. You also need to know that I am a chocoholic...

Music is of great importance to me on several levels. I enjoy playing piano, folk, and classical guitar. I have also written several songs that I have occasionally shared in worship and other settings. I want to resume classical guitar lessons, an experience that has proven to be a wonderfully refreshing challenge and marvelous outlet for me.

I have a strong interest in sports, and am a die-hard NY Mets fan. I enjoy watching NFL games as well, and particularly like the Eagles and the Bills. As a participant, I enjoy softball, ping-pong, and cross-country skiing.

My father died in 1985, and my mother died just this past November, at age 98. My brother Paul and sister-in-law Jean live in Blue Bell, Pa. My older her niece Lindsay her husband CJ live in Wayne, Pa. and have 2 boys, Jack who is 3 and Alex who is 1. My younger niece Caroline lives in Philadelphia.

We are not always going to agree, but I am a bridge-builder who will continue to lead and challenge the congregation as *together* we engage in ministry to further the Kingdom of God in Endwell and beyond. *All* need to know they are welcome, and that needs to be confirmed by the way we relate to our neighbors, all who come through the doors of the church building, AND of course, the way we relate to one another. I have witnessed a healthy playfulness in the congregation already, which is a healthy sign. Where the Holy Spirit is, there is joy! I am intrigued and excited to see what God has in store for us together. May we endeavor to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to be God's love to our neighbors in all places as we continue to invite, make, nurture, and send forth disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

With you in the Journey,

Nancy Adams

Children's Ministry and TWIGS Youth Newsletter

Children's Ministry Mission

July 2025

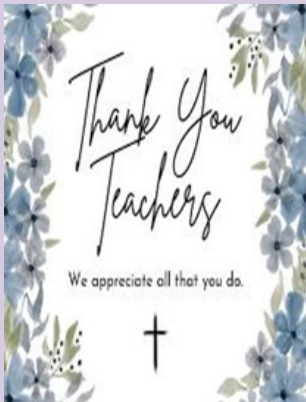
Inspiring children to be rooted in God's love, laugh often, and live like Jesus.



Children's Church for kid's Pre-K -5th grade was a great success this school year! We had about 40 children enrolled this year, along with a confirmation class that was held in the Fall led by Miss Lynne. We want to thank Miss Lynne for all her dedication to our Children's Church program. Without her love for Jesus and her passion for children, this program wouldn't be where it is today. Thank you, Miss Lynne! The children in the PreK-5th grade classes completed 8 different themes, each week focusing on a Bible verse with a lesson based off the Bible Verse. We are already beginning to plan for our upcoming school year with many exciting lessons ahead!

The Children's Church program will resume in the fall. For more information on children and youth ministries visit us at www.rootedateumc.org

THANK YOU TO OUR CHILDREN'S CHURCH TEACHERS



Team #1 PreK-2nd: Julie Roma & Marisa & Emilia Pellerito

3rd -5th: Lacey Skorupa, Lynne Kimpland & Cathleen Stewart (Oct-Nov)

Team #2: PreK-2nd: Sian Matt, Erica Socher

3rd -5th grade: Kristin Snyder & Fara Shoudy

Team #3: PreK-2nd grade: Kris & Maria Yacovoni 3rd -5th grade: Kim Rockefeller & Charlotte Moran

Team #4: Prek-2nd grade: Tina & Emily Snyder 3rd -5th grade: Lois Blight & Jenn Potter

GET READY FOR WHAT A MESS! VBS

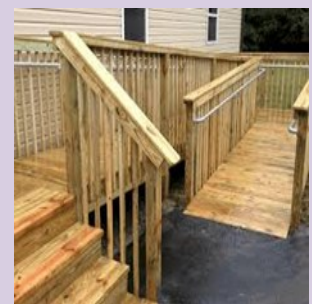
July 6-10, K-5th 6:00-8:30 Preschool: 6:00-8:00

www.rootedateumc.org/whatamessvbs



The good news is, Jesus loves messy people! Whether you're 5, 45, or 105, we all have our own messes. *What a Mess! VBS* is about how Jesus deals with our messes, our sins, mistakes, and weaknesses. Throughout the week we will explore why the world is a messy place and how Jesus responds to our messes as well as how we respond to messy situations. All the while, we are going to have *lots* of messy fun, with messy snacks, games, crafts, and more!

We wrapped up our final month of TWIGS Youth Group with the annual “Ramp It Up” event. This is a service project of a very worthy cause. The kids (and adults) were able to assist in building a ramp that runs from the family’s front door, down to the driveway. This will allow a resident who was homebound to use a wheelchair to be able to easily get in and out of their home. This project is in partnership with the Broome County Council of Churches, which has been building ramps in Broome County for over 20 years. As we approach summer, and our 2024-25 year comes to a close, I pause to reflect on my first year as Director of Youth Ministries. We have a great group of kids currently and several 5th graders who will be moving up in September. I am very excited about what is to come for this group! I look forward to leading our youth as they grow in their faith and develop a greater understanding of God’s great love. We will continue to participate in service projects to help in our community, assist in our many events here at church, and most of all have a safe and caring environment where everyone can come and be themselves, have lots of fun, and grow as followers of Jesus. I also would like to thank all of the parents who have helped out along the way. Whether it was bringing lunch/snacks, going on and participating in events, or just sharing ideas with me to make things run smoothly. You are appreciated! I hope everyone has a safe, happy and healthy summer.





Lynne and I wanted to pass along our deepest and heart-felt thanks for the many thoughtful cards and gifts we received at our retirement celebration following worship on June 15th.

We are truly humbled by all those who worked so diligently to make the reception a wonderful event and thanks to all who gave so generously toward the Memorial Bench and the monetary gift we received. We are overwhelmed by your grace, generosity and love and are immensely appreciative!

May God continue to bless this vibrant community of faith as we will hold you, and Pastor Nancy, in our prayers! May you continue to change the world by loving boldly, serving joyfully and leading courageously!

You are loved!

Pastor Mark & Lynne Kimpland

Scholarship Committee,

Thank you for your generous support through the Rev. Jose Valencia scholarship, it means so much to me. The Church community has been such a large part of my life, for the last few years. I am truly grateful for everything you have done for me.

Thank you again,
Tristan Huff

We welcome **Mabel Joy Burlingame**, born on June 19th, to Blake & Caroline Burlingame, and Grand Parents, Steve & Collen Borne. Welcome to the world, Mabel!

CHURCH NEWS

Trustee report:

The Trustees have the responsibility for the care and upkeep of our Church complex. This includes the physical buildings, the interior and the grounds. A walk thru is done on a daily basis to make sure that everything is in good shape and that the heat and air are off when not needed.

Current projects that we are working on:

Crack sealing in the parking lot

Leveling the floor in the fellowship hall

Finish work on the parsonage

Work in the garage

MONDAY NIGHT DINNERS

The free community dinner is over 28 years old. The Church does not financially support it, except for the cost of utilities which we give money from a grant from the Food Bank of the Southern Tier. We have to raise money from donations to local businesses and by applying for various grant that are available to purchase necessary food items that are needed to prepare the meals.

RED BIRD MISSION

Our Church volunteers collect shoeboxes with personal hygiene supplies, knitted scarps, blankets, sheet sets, school supplies and numerous new items. We collect from all of the Churches in the Upper New York Conference and take two 26 foot trucks to the Red Bird Mission located I n Beverly, Kentucky. The mission does not cost the Church any money, all funds come from donations from various Churches throughout the Conference. This year we have six Church members who are transporting the items.

CHURCH NEWS



VINES

VINES FARM SHARE

****Every Wednesday****

4:00 PM-6:00 PM

from June 19th - October 30th

In the church parking lot

***SIGN UP for a weekly box of local vegetables
BY GOING TO- farmshare@vinesgardens.org***



KEN SUMMERS METHODIST NIGHT AT THE BALL GAME

THURSDAY, August 14, 2025

Mirabito Stadium, Binghamton, NY

Game Time is 6:05pm

Tickets are \$11.00 (grandstand seats)

Tickets are available in the office

Upcoming Events

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

MONDAY, JULY 7, 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!!!!



Men of all ages are invited to a Men's Breakfast on Saturday, **July 12th at 8:00am** at the Union Diner, on Main Street, Endicott. Plan on attending food and good conversation as men of all ages are welcomed.



The Ladies lunch will not meet during the summer, our next get together will be held on September 11th at 12:00pm at the Union Diner. Hope you can join us for "food" and "fellowship"

Upcoming Events



Baked Goods
Appreciated!

“BAKE SALE”

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SATURDAY JULY 12TH

11:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Smokey Legends BBQ

Sunday, July 20th

11:00am-2:00pm

Endwell UMC



EUMC Community National Night Out

Tuesday August 5'th 2025 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm



- Police, Fire and Rescue Agencies, Vehicles and Displays
- Fun, Food, More NEW Kids Games & Prizes
- Music & Entertainment with Live DJ
 - Chenango Brass Quintet
 - DJ GOOD VIBES
 - Karate School Demonstration
- Community Organizations & Businesses outreach



Plans are in full swing for our 2025 National Night Out. This event is a major event, bringing hundreds of people from around the community to our Church Grounds. Please mark your calendars and if you are able to help with any part of the day (setup, evening shift, or teardown), please let us know. Signup sheets will be available in the back of the Sanctuary after July 1st, or call the church office at 607-754-5735 or email our event specific email at

GREETERS/USHERS

July 6th

Betty Jo Kasprzak
Georgia Tamblyn
Anne and Clint Gorman (U)

July 13th

Patti Anderson
Art Newcomb
Ellen Frisbie & Sharon Fischer (U)

July 20th

Steve Johnson
Paula Johnson
RoseMarie & Ken Schlock (U)

July 27th

Anita VanWinkle
Dale McGlynn
Dee and Dan Terpak (U)



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