

Endwell United Methodist Church

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Mission:

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



From your senior pastor:

As we move into the new year, let's think about the word "new." "Newness" is a pervasive theme throughout scripture. Isaiah 43:18-19 tells us *"Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a **new** thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert."* Lamentations 3:22-23 tells us: *"The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are **new** every morning: great is your faithfulness."* Jeremiah 31:31-34 shows God making a **new** covenant with the people, not written on tablets of stone, but on their hearts. In Matthew 26:27-28 Jesus tells us during the Last Supper, that the cup is his blood of the **new** covenant poured out for us for the forgiveness of sins. This harkens back to the Jeremiah passage, repeating the phrase "**new** covenant." In II Corinthians 5:17 we read *"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a **new** creation; everything old has passed away; see, everything has become **new**!"* In Revelation 21, we read of a **new** heaven and a **new** earth.

Are you detecting the theme yet? Friends, in 2026, let us not fall into the trap of going back to "same old, same old." May we bask in the **newness** that our Lord desires for us. Let us risk boldly in 2026. Our Lord is making all things **new**! Hallelujah!

Together With You in the Journey,

Nancy

Open House at the parsonage

Sunday, January 4 from 3-5 p.m. There will be finger foods, including chocolate, of course. Come when you can, leave when you need to, but please come.

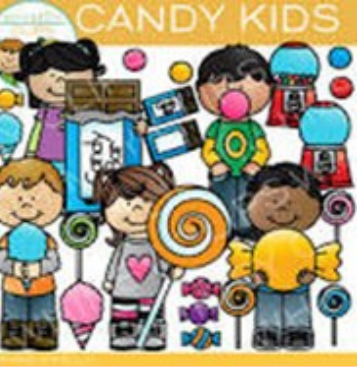
Nancy wishes to thank everyone for their thoughtfulness and generosity with cards and gifts for both her birthday and Christmas. Thank you, thank you, thank you!



Children's Ministry Mission

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

January 2026



Children's Church is for children in Pre-K -5th grade and is held during worship following the children's sermon from 10:20 – 11:00 am. 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

We are starting an 8 week unit titled "Candy Factory." The theme is that there are sweet rewards ahead as there is no one sweeter than Jesus and if we focus on Jesus and put our trust in him, he will reward us. The objectives in January are:



"We can have eternal life only through Jesus."

"We should treat others the way we want to be treated."

"Following Jesus may not always be easy, but the reward of doing so is sweet."

"Only Jesus can wipe away our sins."

TWIGS Youth Ministry

Happy New Year! We hope everyone has had a happy, safe and healthy Christmas and starts to 2026! Twigs youth group had a fun ending to our 2025 with a great Christmas Get-Together. This included a hot chocolate bar, a cookie decorating activity and everyone's favorite "White Elephant" gift exchange. A huge thank you to all the youth who have attended youth group as much as they have been able, and to all the parents who have volunteered their time to help make the first half year of Twigs a success! We look forward to a fresh start and to planning fun activities and more service projects for our youth to participate in.



ENDWELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2026 CHURCH CONFERENCE LAY LEADERSHIP REPORT

Administrative Council

Chair – Howard Champlain

Secretary – Nancy Green

Treasurer – Kristina Harrington

Finance Chair – Jim Short

Staff/Parish Relations Chair – Anita VanWinkle

Trustee Chair – Dave Alexander

Lay Leader – **Howard Champlain**

Endwell Preschool representative – **Nancy Green**

Children's Ministry – Lois Blight and Jenn Potter

Youth Ministry – Aaron Bennett

Missions – **Colleen Borne**

At large members: John Sweezy, Jim Marean, Sharon Fischer, **Matt Overlin**

Associate Pastor – Sean Chanthasone

Senior Pastor – Nancy Adams

Staff/Parish Relations

2026

Jesse Moran

Sian Matt

Donna Halbert

2027

Bonnie Hrusecky

Kathy Marean

DeEtte Minerley

Ex-officio – Lay Leader - **Howard Champlain**

Lay Member to Conference – **Marcia McManus**

2028

Anita VanWinkle*

Marcia McManus

Trustees

2026

Steve Potter

Ken Schlock

Diane Barton

2027

Stephen Borne

Patti Anderson

Clinton Gorman

2028

Dave Alexander*

Jim Green

Jane Scheibner

2026—Lay Leadership Report—cont.

Lay Leadership

2026

Elsa Bingel
Linda Peterson
Steve Johnson

2027

Penny Short
Mark Miner
Rhonda Emmons

2028

Rose Marie Schlock
Karen Beebe

Pastor Nancy Adams

Bold denotes new members

*Chairperson

Missions

Colleen Borne*
Betty LawtonJim
Caroline Burlingame
Stacey Huff
Dave Alexander

Ken Anderson
Steve Johnson
Kris Yacovoni
Maria Yacovoni

Will Stafford
Darlene Darrow
Jim Darrow
Debbie Laszewski

Pastor Sean Chanthasone

Finance

Jim Short*

Kristina Harrington (treasurer)

Financial Secretary **Betsy Perry**

At Large Members: David Lane, Dirk Olds, Kim Rockefeller, Blake Burglingame, **Stan Wanglund, Rex Decker**

Camping Ministry

Fara Shoudy, Kristin Snyder, Elizabeth Denman

Church Historians

Cathy Hatton

Kathy Stack

Church News

Trustee Year End Report:

The Trustees have been busy this past year making needed repairs to the Church, here is a highlight of some of the various projects that have been accomplished by your Trustees:

Paved the parsonage driveway

Installed all new door in the parsonage

Painted the entire interior of the parsonage

Purchased a new refrigerator and dryer for the parsonage

Purchased a large storage shed to hold overflow items from the fellowship hall

Installed a new fire alarm system and burglar system to replace our outdated system

Installed several cameras around the Church

Installed additional security lighting

Completed new lighting in the sanctuary

Crack sealed the parking lot

Leveled the floor in the fellowship hall by having foam install under it

Installed a new exit door in the Narthex to replace the existing warped door

Painting the office hallway (in progress)

As you can see the Trustee have been busy, many thanks to Tom Scheibner, Ken Anderson and Jim Short for their time on these projects.

Mobile Food Pantry Year End Report:

Our monthly mobile food pantry served over 3,210 people this past year, giving out over 92,510 pounds of food from the Food Bank of the Southern Tier in Elmira with a value of \$56,275.00. This is a great mission to be involved in as we always welcome new people to help us the first Monday of the month.

Monday Night Dinner Year End Report:

This is our 29th year of feeding people in need of companionship and a warm meal. We are serving a combination of take out and in person meals. We average 40 take out meals and 50 to 60 in person dining. We have formed many friendships with our clients and feel like they are family to us. We are always looking for people with a passion for cooking or serving and welcome anyone to come on join us on a Monday evening.

Red Bird Mission Year End Report:

This past year we faced several stumbling blocks with our mission, first we lost our storage space at NelCorp Electric and ended up using our fellowship hall to store the items that we collected. I must say that this worked out great as it was clean, well lit, and warm to work in. Second, the cost to rent the trucks was going to be over \$3,000.00 for five days, they finally agreed to lower the rate to \$2,000.00 for five days for each truck, that helped us out greatly.

We collected 2,632 shoeboxes of personal hygiene supplies plus sheets, blankets, backpacks, scarfs, hats, pjs, pillows, towels and other misc. items.

Special thanks to Tom Scheibner, Ken Schlock, Jim Short .John Zdi-mal, Howard and Cheryl Champlain for making the trip to the Red Bird Mission to deliver the supplies.

MEETING NITE

January 20, 2026

6:00pm

SPRC, Finance, Trustees, Missions

7:00pm

Administrative Council – Fellowship Hall



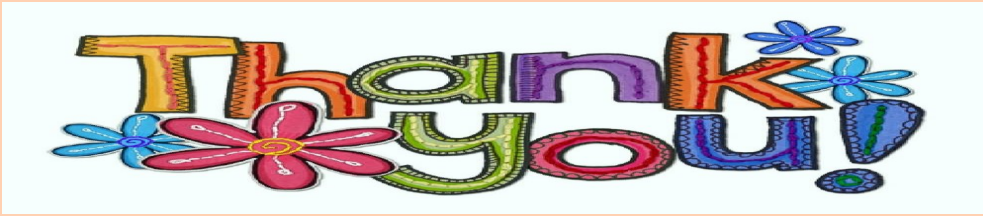
*A big thank you from Delores Pero for the fruit basket she received from the church. It was beautiful and she will enjoy the fruit very much. Thank you again.

*Thank you all for the beautiful poinsettia and for remembering me at Christmas time. Sincerely, Thelma Lamoureaux

*Dear Friends, than you for the lovely gift basket, with its variety of fruits and great assortment of snacks. It is truly a delight! Thanks again, Miriam Steffensen.

*Thank you so much for the wonderful gift basket you delivered to me it was a big surprise and a blessing. It was so much I shared with my son, Don and his wife Lara. Someone must have known that grapes are my favorite fruit. They are almost gone! Thank you again, God bless. Teresa Perkins.

*To my beloved Church family, my sons and I thank you for remembering me with the lovely Christmas plant. God's blessings - Karyl Gadecki



Dear Endwell UMC family, Thank you very much for your support and generosity over these past few years and throughout my life in general! I am so grateful for you all! I have truly enjoyed receiving your care packages while I was away at college! I wish you all a very merry Christmas!

Love, Carly Kirtland

Dear Pastor Nancy,

On behalf of all the members BRIO Vocal Ensemble, please accept our heartfelt thanks for once again so graciously hosting our Christmas concert. Your church is such a lovely place to sing in, but even more you and your congregation are so warm and welcoming to us and the people who came to enjoy all this beautiful music celebrating Christ's birth. And a very special thank you to Howard and Cheryl Champlain for once again so generously volunteering to serve as ushers. Wishing all the members of Endwell United Methodist Church a blessed and joyful Christmastide.

Warmest Christmas greetings from Members of Brio Vocal Ensemble

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

January

Brooks BBQ January 9th 3:00-5:00pm

Doug's Fish Fry January 10th 11:00-6:00pm

February

Brooks BBQ February 13th 3:00-5:00pm

Doug's Fish Fry February 14th 11:00-6:00pm

March

Brooks BBQ March 13th 3:00-5:00pm

Doug's Fish Fry March 14th 11:00-6:00pm



GREETERS/USHERS

January 4

Steve Johnson
Paula Johnson
RoseMarie & Ken Schlock(U)

January 11

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

January 18

Anita VanWinkle
Sara Jo Kukowski
Ellen Frisbie & Sharon Fischer (U)

January 25

Tom Bushnell
Joyce Atherton
RoseMarie & Ken Schlock (U)

Upcoming Events

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

MONDAY, JANUARY 5TH

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!!!!



The Ladies lunch will be held on **January 8th at 12:00pm** at the Union Diner. Hope you can join us for "food" and "fellowship"

Brooks Chicken Bar-B-Q



Friday, January 9th

3:00pm – sold out

\$14.00 – Cash

\$14.50 – Credit

½ Chicken, Baked Potato, coleslaw,
Roll, butter

Presale orders highly recommended!
Tickets available in the Church Office.

MEN'S BREAKFAST



Men of all ages are invited to a Men's Breakfast on Saturday, **January 10th at 8:00am** at the Union Diner, on Main Street, Endicott. Plan on attending food and good conversation as men of all ages are welcome.



SATURDAY JANUARY 10TH

11:00 AM – 6:00 PM

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