

## Music At The United Presbyterian Church of Cortland

The ministry of music is a vital part of the ministry and mission of The United Presbyterian Church of Cortland!

**The HIS Choir (In His Service)** is a 35-voice SATB choir under the direction of Sue Bonné (45 years of service!) and accompanied by pianist and organist Paulette Fry (39 years of service!). They sing weekly at the 10:30 AM Worship Service from September through the end of June, participate in monthly services at Walden Place (a local senior living center), and sing for occasional Cortland County Council of Churches events and the church's own Sanctuary Seasonings arts series. The choir is known for incorporating instruments in Sunday morning worship and presenting a Christmas Cantata annually with full instrumentation. During the summer months special music is provided by members of the choir, congregation, and community.

**The Whitechapel Ringers** were established in 1972 and have performed on a regular basis for the church worship service and dozens of community organizations. Directed by Diane Ames (36 years of service!), the group consists of members of UPC and many friends of the church.



**CHRISTMAS CANTATA 2016  
THE IHS CHOIR AND INSTRUMENTALISTS FROM  
THE CONGREGATION AND THE CORTLAND COMMUNITY**



**THE WHITECHAPEL RINGERS**



**Sue Bonné - IHS CHOIR DIRECTOR**



**Paulette I. Fry (in robe)**

**ORGANIST**

**Diane Ames**

**DIRECTOR, WHITECHAPEL RINGERS**

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**Calendar of Prayer for our Presbytery**

**October**

1 Clergy in specialized ministry or service beyond the jurisdiction of the church:  
Roger DeNoyelles, Doug Horne, Taryn Mattice, Michael Spezio, Art Suggs

8 Nineveh Julie Jensen, Interim Pastor

15 Cortland United David Johnson, Pastor

22 Dryden 1st Jim Hicks, Interim Pastor

29 Binghamton United Kimberly Chastain, Pastor

**Prayers:**

Please contact Committee on Ministry co-chairs, Marsha Muller and Janet Adair Hansen if you have a pastoral care concern or need.

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**Other News**



[Read the October Board Connections!](#)

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**Boundary Awareness Training**

Saturday, November 4, 2017 - First Presbyterian Church of Ballston Spa, 22 W High Street, Ballston Spa, New York - 9:00 a.m. to about 4:00 p.m.

We would be delighted to welcome ALL to this opportunity. We ask that each participant pay \$25 to cover the cost of the workbook and lunch. If you have any questions, or know of anyone who would like to register, please have them contact me at this e-mail address, or call my office 518-478-0796.

Blessings and Peace,

The Rev. Holly S. Cameron, Co-Chair, Albany Presbytery COM

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**Boundary Awareness Training**

The Committee on Ministry for Susquehanna Valley Presbytery recognizes Boundary Awareness Training given by sister presbyteries and sister denominations (Formula of Agreement). All clergy active in pastoral service in the presbytery are required to have Boundary Awareness Training at least every 5 years. (Retired clergy who no longer preach or have contact with congregations no longer have to fulfill this.)

The UCC Susquehanna Association will hold Boundary Awareness Training on Mon. Oct. 23rd from 9:00 AM 3:00 PM at Homer Congregational Church,, cost \$75 per person, provide your own lunch during a noon break. Register with the presbytery COM if you plan to attend so that the UCC Association can be informed of Presbyterian participants. Cost is payable on the day of the event, checks made out to "UCC Susquehanna Association."

Leaders are Rev. Dr. Wayne Gustafson, certified Fellow in the American Association of Pastoral Counselors, who is Senior Clinician for Susquehanna Family Counseling Ministries, and Rev. Dr. Janet Adair Hansen. Hansen was certified by the UCC-NY Conference as a trainer in May after completing coursework herself. Standardized

Boundary Awareness Training is provided across NYS by the United Church of Christ, utilizing Power Point presentations with situational ethics scenarios presented.

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Rev. Dr. Janet Adair Hansen

Co-Moderator, Committee on Ministry, Susquehanna Valley Presbytery

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### **A Pilgrimage for Young Adults to Taizé, France June 30 - July 8, 2018**

**What is Taizé?** Taizé is an ecumenical community in central France made up of Catholic, Protestant, and Orthodox Christians. The community welcomes people, regardless of their faith, to join them in their rhythm of life and prayer. Each week, anywhere from a few hundred to several thousand young adults from all over the world journey to Taizé. They enter into the community's rhythm, gathering together for Taizé's unique style of worship and joining other young pilgrims for workshops, shared work, Bible study, meals, and relaxation. Cross-cultural relationship building is woven into the experience of prayer, work, and rest throughout the week.

**Why go?** Taizé is a special opportunity to step back from your ordinary life and experience God's presence in community. At Taizé pilgrims find a welcoming place to be accepted just as you are alongside people from all over the world -- all listening for the Spirit of God. Through sung prayer, silence, and community, people often find a deep peace and simplicity that enriches their lives.

**Who is invited?** Young adults, from high school seniors to age 29, are welcome to join our group. Space is limited. The leader is Bobby Outterson-Murphy, Pastor of the United Ministry of Delhi. This will be his third trip to Taizé.

**How much will it cost?** We hope to limit individual cost to \$400, which is 1/3 of the total \$1,200. The Presbytery of Susquehanna Valley will cover 1/3 for a limited number of pilgrims. We anticipate that the last 1/3 will come from each participant's local church and/or fundraising efforts.

**What do I do next?** Contact Pastor Bobby at [pastor@umdelhi.org](mailto:pastor@umdelhi.org) or 607-746-2191, ext. 202 (church) or 607-431-8351 (cell) to find out more. Check out the Taizé website ([www.taize.fr/en](http://www.taize.fr/en)) to learn more about Taize. Non-refundable deposits and registration forms are due by Dec. 31, 2017.

**Send to:** Rev. Bobby Outterson-Murphy- Delhi United Ministry Church, P.O. Box 111, Delhi, NY 13753

**Passports:** Please note that if you don't have a passport valid through July 2018 you should submit your application to a passport acceptance facility by November 1, 2017.

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## Can our CHURCH help bring PEACE to the KOREAN PENINSULA?

Kurt Esslinger and Hyeyoung Lee, PCUSA mission co-workers in Korea, will be speaking at the United Presbyterian Church, Binghamton on Thursday evening, November 2, accompanied by their son, Sahn.

Kurt is working with the National Council of Churches of Korea in their Reconciliation and Unification Department. NCKK maintains a relationship with the Korean Christian Federation of North Korea and advocates for the respectful and peaceful reconciling of the ongoing Korean conflict.

Kurt and Hyeyoung supervise Young Adult Volunteers working in Korea with families of refugees, most from North Korea. They are excellent interpreters of current events in Korea and the efforts Christian groups are making to promote peace on the peninsula.

They will speak beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the United Presbyterian Church, 42 Chenango St. in Binghamton on Thursday evening, November 2. The program is open to the public. In addition to explaining the context of the current crisis in Korea and describing their work there with churches seeking peaceful resolution, they will talk with young people about the opportunities to be personally involved in mission in the U.S. or abroad through the PCUSA's young Adult Volunteers program.

COME AND FIND OUT!

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### Update Your Employer Agreement by October 13



Watch This 90-Second Video for an Overview of  
Submitting **Your** Employer Agreement

Prefer the movie version to reading the book? Watch [Selecting 2018 Benefits: Building Your Employer Agreement](#) for a quick summary of submitting your Employer Agreement. In just 90 seconds, learn the three easy steps to take to review and submit your Employer Agreement for 2018.

The **Employer Agreement** on Benefits Connect is open **now** and costs for 2018 coverage are available.

Between now and **October 13**, you should log on to Benefits Connect to review, update, and submit your Employer Agreement for 2018. Once submitted, the Agreement determines the coverage available for employees to elect during annual enrollment **October 30-November 17, 2017**, through Benefits Connect.

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*Charlotte Valley Presbyterian Church*

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**Charlotte Valley Presbyterian Church  
invites you to an**



*Open House*  
*for*



*Pastor Carol Wilson*

celebrating her work and dedication  
along with her upcoming retirement  
(effective November 13, 2017)

**When: Saturday afternoon, November 4, 2017  
2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Where: Charlotte Valley Presbyterian Church  
Fisher Fellowship Hall**

**At Pastor Carol's request:  
No personal gifts, please.  
Instead, consider a monetary gift in Pastor Carol's honor,  
earmarked for "CVPC Manse Renovations and Repair".  
Thank You**