

Council Calendar of Events

Wednesday, November 1
Staff Meeting — 2:30 p.m.

Monday, November 6
Peace with Justice — 12:00 noon

Tuesday, November 7
JP Morgan Chase Volunteers in Warehouse
1:00 p.m.

Friday, November 10
COUNCIL CLOSED
Veterans Day

Wednesday, November 15
Multidisciplinary Case Review — 8:30 a.m.

Thursday, November 16
Lives of Commitment Kick Off Breakfast
7:00 a.m.
Board of Directors — 12:00 noon

Monday, November 20
Bible Study — 10:00 a.m.

Thursday & Friday, November 23 & 24
COUNCIL CLOSED
Thanksgiving Holiday

Tuesday, November 28
Program Directors Meeting — 8:30 a.m.

United Presbyterian Church

42 Chenango Street, Binghamton, NY

Can our CHURCH help bring PEACE to the KOREAN PENINSULA?

Thursday, November 2 — 7:00 p.m.



Kurt, Hyeyoung and son Sahn

Kurt Esslinger and Hyeyoung Lee, PCUSA mission co-workers in Korea, will be speaking.



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.

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!

broomecouncil.net for updated calendar

The Volunteer Spotlight is on our mailing Volunteers



At least seven times a year the Broome County Council of Churches has a mailing that is beyond the capacity of the staff to handle. They range from around 2,500 to over 5,500 pieces. When these mailings come up we send a call out to our mailing volunteers. Working 5+ hours a day for one or two days, matching envelopes to letters and stuffing and sealing the envelopes with letter, coupon and return envelope inside, these wonderful friends get the job done. Though our group of mailers



changes over time, our current group includes:

Michelle Angel, Carole Baer, Betty Balles, Jerry Gallagher, Lois Lockwood, Virginia Novello, Phyllis Sakowsky, Joanne Simko, Aleta Sommers and Donna Wright.

Thanks for getting our appeals and invitations out in a timely manner!



Trinity Memorial Church — November Concerts

44 Main Street, Binghamton, NY — email - trinity@trinitymemorial.org



**Friday, November 3
7:30 p.m.
the Trinity Ringers**

will be ringing on their newly refurbished

White Chapel Handbells. The program includes Dobrinski, Mocklebust, and others. Pieces by Fauré and Haydn are accompanied with organ. This program is offered as part of the First Friday Concerts at Trinity.

All are welcome.



Gabriel Fauré's REQUIEM

Trinity Choir and Orchestra
Sunday, November 5 — 7:00 p.m.



The concert will also include the Bach Brandenburg Concerto III: a rich outburst of joy for strings.

This is a memorial concert, in the long tradition of Trinity Memorial Episcopal Church. Gifts made to underwrite our orchestra will be noted in the program as memorials for the departed. Gifts may also give thanks for the living among us. Deadline for underwriting and memorial information is Nov. 1st, in the church office.

Timothy E. Smith is Organist/Choirmaster.

“To ease another’s heartache is to forget one’s own.”
— [Abraham Lincoln](#)

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Ross Memorial Presbyterian Church

6 Morris Street, Binghamton, NY — Southside — corner of Mitchell Ave & Morris St



Halloween Safe House

Tuesday, October 31
5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Music, Food ... Rest and Relax,
A safe Place to be on Halloween!



Boulevard United Methodist Church

113 Grand Boulevard, Binghamton, NY — 797.5675

Election Day Chicken and Biscuit Dinner

Take out — 12:00 noon - to 7:00 p.m.
Sit down dinner — 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Adults = \$8, Seniors = \$7.



Election Day Bake Sale

6:00 a.m. until gone

Election Day Holiday Shoppe

6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.



High Street United Methodist Church

1288 Vestal Ave, Binghamton—724-3230



Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for new church van

Saturday, November 11
1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.



The Christian Unity Church congregation are holding a spaghetti dinner fundraiser! The dinner will be held in High Street UMC's dining hall at 1288 Vestal Ave.

\$10.00 donation includes a delicious dinner of:
Spaghetti with meat & veggie sauce or
Spaghetti with meatballs
Caesar salad and garlic bread
Beverages \$1.00
Dessert \$2.50

Christian Unity Church
at 1288 Vestal Ave, Binghamton, NY 13903
Please contact Natacha at 607-621-5542 for tickets

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—Solidarity in good company— Submitted by Jean Hricik

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Endwell United Methodist Church

3301 Watson Boulevard, Endwell, NY 607.754.5735



Southern Tier MobilePack

Friday & Saturday
November 3rd & 4th

Our church is tackling the devastating problem of hunger in the world by packing rice, soy, dehydrated Veggies and vitamins into meal packs to be distributed to children in need around the world.

Come and help us pack 100,000+ meals during a two hour shift.

We are short 215 volunteers!

(Sign up for a shift on line at <http://give.fmssc.org/endwell>)

For more information contact John or Nikki Hrustich on line at nhrustich@stny.rr.com

Prayer Meetings for Revival

Let's affirm one another in the Faith (*there's more to bind us together than there is to drive us apart!*) and Pray for a new and mighty move of God's Spirit in our midst ... in Greene and throughout the area.

Wednesdays — 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

- October 25 - Greene Alliance Church
126 Meadow Drive
- November 29 - Greene Assembly Of God
1035 County Route 9

Call Pastor G. Terry Steenburg for info @ 607.232.0244

Greene's Central Baptist Church

37 South Chenango Street — 607.656.4512

October 31st is the 500th Anniversary of Martin Luther's posting of his 95 Thesis that began the Protestant Reformation.

"Heretic" — A movie about Martin Luther will be shown Sunday, October 29 — 6:00 p.m.

Popcorn and beverages will be provided. All are invited!

Our Lady of Sorrows

801 Main Street, Vestal, NY – 222.5616



Mary's Meal

A free community meal for those in need of food or companionship.

Tuesday, November 28

(and the last Tuesday of every month)

doors open 5:00 p.m. — meal served 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, please call 607.222.5616.

Veterans of Modern Warfare

Local VMW (Veterans of Modern Warfare) Meeting

Saturday, November 4 — 11:00 a.m.

(and the first Saturday of every month)

at *The Church Commons Community Center* (in the Little White Church building just east of Price Chopper), 28 Main Street, Owego. All Vets are welcome ... especially those from Desert Storm and subsequent conflicts. Call Bill Reynolds at 607.644.5690 with questions/comments.

See YOU on November 4th!

Hospital Ministry — *We are there when you need us*

Pastors and Readers:

If you have a loved one or parishioner at Wilson Hospital please call me at 763-6003. Very few Protestants even list their particular church though roughly half of all Christians and Jewish folks list their faith. I look at the names and numbers daily in the census that comes out and that is guarded by HIPPA confidentiality.

We do now have Volunteers visiting Floors 3-5 daily 7 days a week. We are still looking for volunteers. Call again at 763-6003 and ask for me Chaplain John Koopman

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- Faith in Action* Volunteers
- HOPE Ministry
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- Jail Ministry
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To submit items or to receive **Connecting Congregations**, contact Keating Wilson:

E-mail: kwilson@broomecouncil.net
Phone: 607.724.9130 x 303

Congregations may submit items at no charge, all others will be asked for a \$10 donation per article, per month.

We reserve the right to edit and cut as space allows.

Deadline for the December 2017 issue
4:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 9
Announcements must be for December or later.

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