We hope that you will join your sisters and brothers in Christ for a time of fellowship, worship & learning.

MORNING (9 a.m. to 11 a.m.)
Blessed Are the Peacemakers
Pastor John A. Jackson, J.D., Associate Pastor, Hurlbut Memorial Community UMC
Professional Mediator for more than 30 years
This course is intended to help in relationships with family & friends, colleagues, business associates, strangers & even adversaries. Participants will learn how thoughtful attitudes & techniques can reduce consequences to themselves & their personal & business relationships.

Can I Get A Witness? The Power in Sharing Faith
Rev. Everett Bassett, District Superintendent
Oneonta District, Upper New York Conference
Many United Methodists have become shy about talking about God, thinking it is scary, strange or offensive or only for a few gifted or specially-trained people. This workshop begins with the belief that every person is already an expert about her/his faith experience and seeks to break down the barriers that prevent us from unleashing the God-given power of faith sharing. Practical applications for individuals & local churches will be shared.

Developing a Discipleship System
Rev. Aaron Bouwens, Director of Vital Congregations
Upper New York Conference
We are called to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world, yet too often we do not have a clear plan to help people engage in that journey. This workshop will look at the key points of a discipleship system from a Wesleyan perspective, as well as include practical steps to developing a plan for a local congregation.

The Roots of a Prayerful Life
Rev. John Tyson, Professor of Church History & Director of United Methodist Studies
Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
In this session, Dr. Tyson will examine the historical & spiritual foundation upon which Wesleyan Spirituality was built. Topics addressed will include The Epworth Manse, the Oxford Holy Club & the Pressing Demands of a vibrant ministry.

AFTERNOON (1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.)
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Local Church Finance 101
Kevin Domanico, Treasurer, Upper New York Conference
A review of basic church accounting practices, such as the role of the financial secretary, dual control, the treasurer's role, audits & budgets. Q&A as time permits.

Methodist Methods of Prayer
Rev. John Tyson, Professor of Church History & Director of United Methodist Studies, CRCD
The session will explore the main themes, concerns & practices which epitomize prayer in the Wesleyan tradition.

Who Is My Neighbor?
Rev. Aaron Bouwens, Director of Vital Congregations
Upper New York Conference
The cultural context of local congregations is constantly shifting. You will acquire & sharpen tools for helping local congregations explore the people who are in their neighborhood.
ALSO, two all-day workshops are being offered (begin at 9 a.m.; continue at 1:30 p.m.):

**Keeping Company with Jesus Prayer Retreat**  
*Rev. Suzanne Block*, Lead Pastor, & *Rev. Carrie Wolfe*, Director of Children’s & Youth Ministries  
Christ UMC, Olean  
This prayer “retreat” is for anyone who wishes to enrich & deepen his/her practice of prayer & will explore the many aspects of prayer including Receiving God’s Love, Experiencing the Transforming Power of God’s Love & Responding to God’s Love.

**When God Calls, Say “Yes!”**  
*Susan Hardy*, Conference Lay Leader, Upper New York Conference  
*Using Robert Schnase’s book, Just Say Yes! as a resource, the workshop will offer practical ways church leaders can rethink fundamental assumptions about organizations & leadership & give examples of how every church can unleash people for ministry.*

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Registration for Learning Day for Laity & Clergy is $25 per person & includes morning refreshments, workshop(s) & lunch. Churches that register three or more people will receive a 20% discount per person!

Safe Sanctuaries-trained child care will be available. Cost is $5 per child with a parent’s fully paid registration.  
- Pre-registration is required  
- Parent(s) must remain on the premises  
- Child’s own snacks/brown bag lunch must be provided

**REGISTRATION FORM**

(Mail to Cornerstone District Office, 663 Lakeview Ave., Jamestown, NY, 14701 or register online at [www.cornerstonedistrict.com/Resources/2018LearningDay](http://www.cornerstonedistrict.com/Resources/2018LearningDay) Registration deadline is February 5.

Name_____________________________________________________________________________________

Address___________________________________________________________________________________

Phone__________________________________ Home church_______________________________________

Email_____________________________________________________________________________________

Special needs (dietary, mobility, etc.)____________________________________________________________

☐ Child care for _____ (number)

**WORKSHOPS**

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**ALL-DAY**  
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