

Protestant Campus Ministry at UAlbany

Cornerstone Protestant Campus Ministry exists to *“bringing students together at UAlbany to make a difference in the world.”* The mission engages us in moving and ministering on a never-ending two-way street. Much of what we do seeks to “bring students” together in real and meaningful ways. Each Sunday evening we offer on-campus interdenominational worship featuring our student-led worship band and followed by a home-cooked Sunday Supper. On Tuesday evenings we beckon students to come together again for Food & Faith featuring the contributions of our various congregational partners. Once a month, we call both our students and congregational partners together for “Java & Justice” – a program to help us learn about issues related to justice and social action. We call students together for Bible Study; we call students together for mentoring and sharing both as a Christian group and as part of an Interfaith Community based at the Interfaith Center at UAlbany. And we call students together for social; events, such as hiking, movie nights and more.

But “bringing together” is only part of our mission; we also offer countless opportunities for students to “go out” and “make a difference in the world.” We offer at least one mission and service projects in the community per month and sometimes that becomes two or more. This year we partnered with Family Promise to assist homeless families in the Capital District. We’ve picked apples and made apple crisp for Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless as well as preparing and delivering meals and desserts to them. We assisted with the Halloween Party at Riverview Baptist Church set up the emergency shelter at First Lutheran Church and assembled Christmas boxes as part of the Christmas at Sea program of the Maritime Ministry in the port of Albany. In January we traveled to Baton Rouge, LA to help rebuild homes destroyed by flooding.

The ministry is led by Rev. Sandy Damhof, who serves as part-time Campus Minister, a fifteen member board representing our supporting congregations as well as a few alums. At the heart of the ministry is a group of Peer Ministers who plan and coordinate the various elements. Information about our ministry can be obtained through our web-site: www.ualbanycornerstone.org or contact Sandy Damhof (uacornerstone@gmail.com) to have your name added to our weekly list-serv. We also have a Facebook “fan page” ([Cornerstone Campus Ministry](#)) which anyone can join and allows you to receive updates, view our pictures and get a better sense of what we’re doing. You can see pictures and learn more about our ever-changing story! Or follow us on Twitter (@CornerstonePCM), Instagram (UAlbanyCornerstone) or Snapchat (UAlbanyCornerstone)