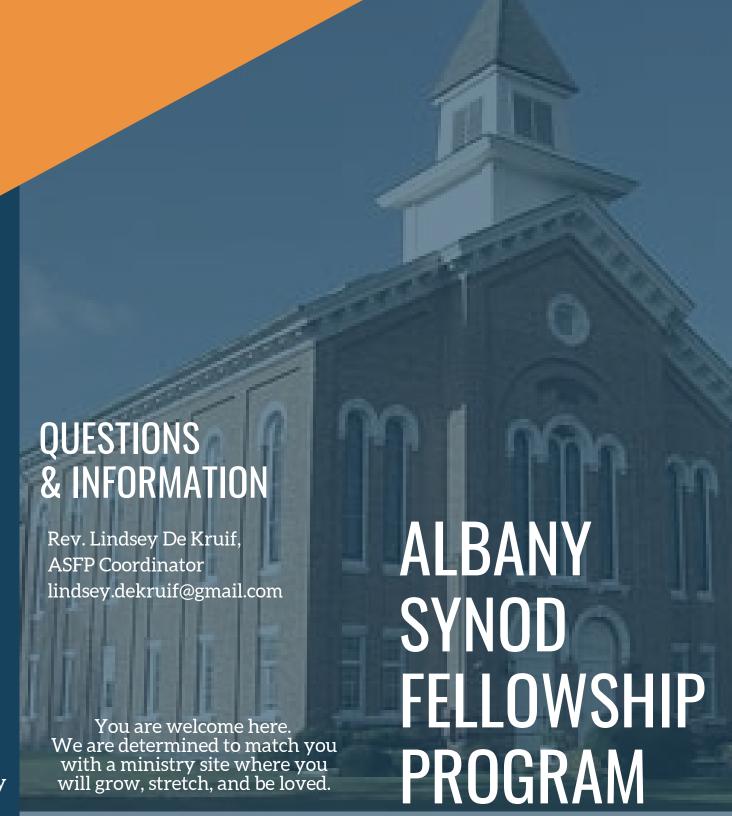
# IN THIS TOGETHER... FOR GOOD



## WHO WE ARE

The Regional Synod of Albany is comprised of 98 churches in six classes: Albany, Schenectady, Schoharie, Montgomery, Columbia-Green, and Rochester. We are mostly family and program sized churches in both rural and urban settings. Ministry here is highly collaborative and relationships are collegial. Generally speaking, we are theologically orthodox and socially progressive.



#### **VALUED**

The Regional Synod of Albany recognizes the gifts that recent graduates bring to ministry.

#### RESPECTED

This Fellowship is a call of ordination. We affirm your call and seek to help you develop your pastoral identity.

### **SUPPORTED**

Early ministry can be tough. We will help you through your transition and come alongside you as you continue your ministry here.

#### **CLAIMED**

Come be in fellowship with us. By joining our community of collaboration, you and the congregation you serve will flourish in mutual ministry.



# ALBANY SYNOD INVITES YOU TO JOIN US

### **HOW THIS WORKS:**

You commit two years serving a ministry site in Albany Synod. Albany Synod commits:

- Salary, benefits, and housing so that you may serve joyfully at your ministry site.
- Small group coaching, mentoring, and peer group meetings.
- A support team from your congregation who will walk alongside you and learn with you.
- Periodic and guided evaluation for yourself, your ministry site, and mentor.
- An invitation to the Albany Synod annual retreat for early ministry called Beginning and Beyond
- Enrollment in Faithwalking 101, 201, 202, and 301: a process of spiritual formation for missional living.
- Training in Healthy Communications.
- A place to try new ideas, explore new interests, network, learn, retreat, and fail all within a safe, supportive community.