

**New York School of Ministry
24-Hour Spring Learning Event**

April 10-11, 2015: Dinner Friday through Dinner Saturday

Small Churches Can Make a Big Difference

Rev. Ann Kansfield, leader

**Notre Dame Retreat House
5151 Foster Road
Canandaigua, New York**

**Cost: Overnight: \$115; Commuters: \$50
Register at www.uccny.org/nysom by March 25**

Your church doesn't have to be large to make an impact and do God's work in the world. In fact, small churches have some unique benefits which can allow them to thrive in ministry. This workshop will equip you to help your small church to engage in its community, care for its members, and share the good news of the gospel. This is a learning event for everybody: lay leaders, folks preparing for ministry, authorized ministers*. If it sparks your interest, please join us!

Sessions:

"Yes! Small churches do big things - stories of ministry in action"

"How to grow your impact - discerning your mission, working through change"

"But can we afford it? - building financially sustainable ministry for the future"

Rev. Ann Kansfield has served as pastor of the Greenpoint Reformed Church (www.greenpointchurch.org) for the past nine years. Her first foray into sharing the gospel occurred at the age of four when, without asking permission, she rode her tricked-out 1980 Big Wheel around the neighborhood inviting everyone she met to Easter worship followed by dinner at her parents' house.

*The program fulfills 7 hours towards the continuing education requirement for authorized ministers.

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