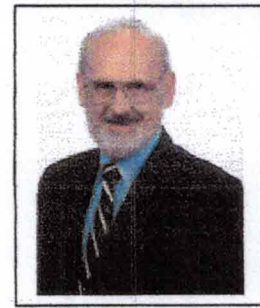


## Rev. James U. Cortelyou



Majored in European History and took his Bachelor of Arts degree from the College of Wooster in 1959.

Received his Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1963.

Completed a post-graduate internship with the UP(USA) Board of National Missions in the First Presbyterian Church of Hoboken, NJ, where his major responsibility was conducting youth activities among members of fighting street gangs.

Served his first pastorate for nine years in the Broadway Presbyterian Church of Newark, NJ, during which period, he marched with Dr. King in Selma, Montgomery and Washington, DC, established the Presbyterian Community Center, developed growing youth and children's ministries and participated in the Community Watch program in the days of the Newark riots.

Served 16 years as Executive Director of the Watertown Urban Mission in Watertown, NY, where 22 Protestant and Roman Catholic churches combined their resources in order to carry out social action ministries in job development, housing rehabilitation, remedial education and ex-offender reentry.

Served 9 years as pastor of the Sackets Harbor Presbyterian Church.

Served 10 years as Executive Director of the Atlantic City Presbyterian Mission Council, a consortium of six Presbyterian churches in and around Atlantic City, NJ, during which time he was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, which he merged with the Victory Deliverance Temple of Truth now known as Victory Presbyterian Church. Also, as pastor of the Chelsea United Presbyterian Church he established a congregation of immigrants from South India.

The Mission Council established the "**House of Happiness**" in a completely refurbished First Church, where Sister Jean Webster fed the hungry of the city every day in body and soul; nurtured children through "**...And Forbid Them Not**", an after school and Sunday morning educational and recreational program at Chelsea Church; and a housing rehabilitation program known as "**Neighbor to Neighbor**", offering church youth work camps from all over America led by skilled contractors from nearby suburban churches.

Is now widowed and living alone in Lake Luzerne, NY, the proud father of two children, Cathleen Pieroni and Daniel Cortelyou and three grandchildren, Maria and Anna Rose Pieroni and Matthew James Cortelyou.