

# CENTRAL MARYLAND DISTRICT DISCIPLESHIP ACADEMY – SPRING 2017



@ OAKDALE CHURCH - OLNEY CAMPUS

[3425 Emory Church Rd, Olney, MD 20832](http://3425EmoryChurchRd.Olney.MD.20832)

**Saturday, April 29, 2017 - Sunday, April 30, 2017**

**9:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

**3:00 PM - 5:30 PM**



Join us April 29th and 30th at Oakdale Church in Olney for the CM District's Lay Servant Ministries academy. The duration of each Lay Servant Ministries course is 10 hours. Those registering for a credit-based course must attend for the full 10-hours to receive credit for certification or recertification. As of 2017, Lay Servants must have completed the Basic LSM Course and at least one Advanced LSM Course within the last three years prior to 2017 Charge Conference voting. If you have questions about your certification, please contact your District Lay Servant Ministries Director(s).

Central Maryland District

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## Registration Information:

- Certification Course Registration (Basic or Advanced): \$35.00
- Optional Boxed Lunch: \$10.00
- All registrations will be online only. We **cannot** accommodate walk-in registrations.

Click Here to  
**REGISTER**

## CLASS OFFERINGS/TEXTBOOKS

### **BASIC COURSE**

**Basic Lay Servant** – with Rev. Sue Shorb Sterling (*Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker Credit*)

This course is a prerequisite to all Advanced Courses for Lay Servants, Lay Speakers, or Lay Ministers. Participants are encouraged to discover and employ personal spiritual gifts as God intended, and to consider the importance of exercising servant leadership, developing future leaders, remaining rooted in consistent spiritual practices, and being part of a group that holds members accountable in their discipleship. **Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.**

**Text:** [Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course Participant's Book](#)

ISBN # 978-0-88177-626-3 • \$11.00 on [bookstore.upperroom.org](http://bookstore.upperroom.org) or \$7.70 on [Cokesbury.com](http://Cokesbury.com)

# CLASS OFFERINGS/TEXTBOOKS

## **ADVANCED COURSES**

*Those seeking to be Certified Lay Servants and/or Certified Lay Speakers must take the Basic Lay Servant course before taking Advanced Courses.*

### **Leading in Prayer** (*Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker Credit*)

For many people, prayer remains a mystery, and praying in public is a test of faith left to the “professionals” of the church. This course on praying in public will help the participant grow in confidence and skill in prayer, both public and personal. ***Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.***

**Text: Let the Whole Church Say Amen!** *Participant's Book*

ISBN # 978-0-6870-9077-8 · \$19.99 on [bookstore.upperroom.org](http://bookstore.upperroom.org) or \$13.39 on [Cokesbury.com](http://Cokesbury.com)

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### **Life Together in the United Methodist Connection** (*Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker Credit*)

This course gives participants an overview of the structure and organization of The United Methodist Church. A copy of the 2016 Book of Discipline is recommended in addition to the texts listed below. ***Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.***

**Text: Polity, Practice, and the Mission of the United Methodist Church** *Participant's Book*

ISBN # 978-0-68733-531-2 · \$18.00 on [bookstore.upperroom.org](http://bookstore.upperroom.org) or \$19.42 on [Cokesbury.com](http://Cokesbury.com)

**Text: The Method of Our Mission** *Participant's Book*

ISBN # 978-1-42676-717-3 · \$23.00 on [bookstore.upperroom.org](http://bookstore.upperroom.org) or \$23.44 on [Cokesbury.com](http://Cokesbury.com)

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### **Planning Worship** (*Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker Credit*)

This course builds on the course “Leading Worship” and it is grounded in the principles and practices of worship planning. ***Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.***

**Text: The Worship Workshop: Creative Ways to Design Worship Together** *Participant's Book*

ISBN # 978-0-68704-634-8 · \$12.99 on [bookstore.upperroom.org](http://bookstore.upperroom.org) or \$12.72 on [Cokesbury.com](http://Cokesbury.com)

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## **FREE WORKSHOPS on Saturday, April 29, 2016**

*There is no registration fee for the following workshops, but registration is required. Please note: these workshops do not qualify for Lay Servant Ministries certification or recertification credits.*

**Media in Ministry Workshop – with Wendy Feaga | Saturday, April 29 @ Oakdale Church | 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM**

We are a digital age – people connect on Facebook and Twitter, and now “show me the video” has been the norm. As we work to draw people to church through church websites and Facebook pages, these new visitors come expecting technology. Studies have shown that only 10% of what is said will be remembered, but 50% of the visual media is remembered. In order to share a message, one must at least remember it. This 3-hour free course is designed for churches that either have no media, or have used it only sparingly.

**Biblical Storytelling – with Wendy Feaga | Saturday, April 29 @ Oakdale Church | 1:00 PM – 3:30 PM**

This is an abbreviated introduction to the ancient-future art and spiritual discipline of *telling the sacred stories* of Scripture. Participants will learn to prepare, learn, and tell a biblical text.