

Washington Region

2019 June Lay Servant Ministries Academy

BWC Mission Center ~ 11711 E. Market Place, Fulton, MD 20759

Saturday, June 8, 2019 ~ Sunday, June 9, 2019

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

3:00 PM - 5:30 PM



Join us at the Baltimore-Washington Conference Mission Center for the 2019 June Lay Servant Ministries Academy (*formerly known as Discipleship 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, Certified Lay Servants (CLS), Certified Lay Speakers (CLSp) and Certified Lay Ministers (CLM) must have completed

the Basic LSM Course and at least one Advanced LSM Course as the minimum requirement for certification.

CLS, CLSp, and CLMs are, furthermore, still required to take an Advanced LSM Course for recertification credit every three years. If you have questions about your certification, please contact your District Lay Servant Ministries Director(s).

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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.
- To register, go to www.bwcumc.org > Events > Lay Servant Ministries Academy.
- Registration deadline is Sunday, May 26, 2019.

PLEASE NOTE: A course may be canceled if registration is lower than five persons. Courses may also be canceled for any reason by the District or the instructor if extenuating circumstances arise. Registrants will be notified of a cancellation as soon as possible. In the event of a cancellation, registrations can be transferred to another course within this academy or a refund will be issued. Should you, the participant, choose to cancel your registration for an active course, please contact the District Administrator prior to May 26, 2019. Refunds for active courses are not available beyond that date. We appreciate your understanding.

Class Offerings and Textbooks

BASIC COURSE

Basic Lay Servant – with Rev. Dr. Sue Shorb-Sterling

(Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker / Certified Lay Minister Initial Certification Requirement)

This course is a prerequisite to all Advanced Courses for Certified Lay Servants, Lay Speakers, and 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 13 #9780881776263 • \$8.49 on Cokesbury.com

Note: The Basic Course is a prerequisite for all Advanced Courses.

ADVANCED COURSES

Dancing with Words - with Wendy Feaga

(Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker (Other Course Category) / Certified Lay Minister Credit)

Participants in the course will learn what constitutes a good story, discover storytelling styles, learn the techniques of effective storytelling, and practice creating stories from their experiences. ***Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.***

Text: [Dancing with Words](#) • Participant's Book

ISBN 13: 9780881774078 • \$12.49 on Cokesbury.com

Leading Worship - with Rev. Phil Ayers

(Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker (Leading Worship Category) / Certified Lay Minister Credit)

This course focuses on the ministry of the lay servant who either regularly or occasionally leads a group or congregation in worship. ***Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.***

Text: [Worshiping with United Methodists \(REVISED\)](#) • Participant's Book

ISBN 13: 9780687335268 • \$13.49 on Cokesbury.com

Life Together in the United Methodist Connection - with Rev. Jeff Jones

(Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker (Polity Category) / Certified Lay Minister 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 ***required*** for this course. Students can borrow one from their church or pastor if they don't own one. ***Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.***

Text: [The Method of Our Mission](#) • Participant's Book

ISBN #9781426767173 • \$22.49 on Cokesbury.com

Called to Preach - with Rev. Ronald E.F. Triplett

(Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker (Preaching Category) / Certified Lay Minister Credit)

Called to Preach is designed for those who have not completed formal preaching training, for pastors seeking a basic refresher course, and for others who are called upon to preach in a pastor's absence. Called to Preach is the required preaching course in the lay speaker track of study. ***Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.***

Text: [From Pew to Pulpit](#) • Participant's Book

ISBN 13: 9780687066605 • \$11.99 on Cokesbury.com

Discover Your Spiritual Gifts - with Rev. Dr. Samuel Holbrook-Smith

(Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker (Spiritual Gifts Category) / Certified Lay Minister Credit)

This course helps participants understand spiritual gifts and how the church can use them to fulfill its mission and ministry. Participants will also learn what it means to be a spiritual leader and will be equipped to lead others in exploring and using their spiritual gifts. For more information on providing this course for the deaf and hard of hearing, please contact The United Methodist Committee on Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Ministries at: www.umdeaf.org. ***Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.***

Text: [Each One a Minister](#) • Participant's Book

ISBN 13: 9780881773750 • \$11.79 on Cokesbury.com