

LITTLE KANAWHA DISTRICT
2024 SPRING LAY SERVANT ACADEMY



Saturday, April 13 - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Class Registration Form

PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Cell/ Home Phone _____ E-mail: _____

Local church: _____ Pastor: _____

I am registering for (please select one of the following): \$10 each Registration Fee

- () Intro to Methodist Ministry: The BASIC Course*
- () Advanced course – Leading Public Prayer*
- () Advanced course -- Called to Preach*
- () Advanced course -- Justice in Everyday Life
- () Advanced course – Transforming Evangelism

*Required courses for Certified Lay Speaker track of study.

Homework: Lay Speaker Classes are required to provide 10 hours of instruction and study. Reading assignments and prior study (2 hours) will be necessary.

Your registration for the Academy must be received by Friday, April 5. The number of participants for each class is limited, so early registration is suggested.

Classes will be held at Stout Memorial United Methodist Church, 3329 Broad Street, Parkersburg, WV. [Directions](#)

Send the completed form and payment to:
(Checks payable to Little Kanawha District)

Lay Servant Ministries Registrar
Little Kanawha District UMC
3301 Broad Street
Parkersburg, WV 26101-3420

Scholarships are available if the cost will prevent you from participating. Contact the district office for more information.

Course Descriptions

Intro to Lay Ministry: The BASIC Course Instructor: District Lay Leader Pam Braden

Participants are encouraged to discover and use 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.

Book: *Lay Servant Ministries: Basic Course Participant's Book* – No cost. The **free paperback** book will be mailed to you after registering. [Amazon](#) – Kindle version \$8.49

Leading Public Prayer Instructor: Pastor Steve Hamrick

Praying in public can be daunting, but prayer is something one learns. This course on praying in public will help the participant grow in confidence and skill in public prayer and enrich their personal prayer life.

Book: *Shaping the Prayers of the People: The Art of Intercession*. Samuel Wells and Abigail Kocher
[Amazon](#) Kindle \$11.99; paperback \$16.52; [Cokesbury](#) \$15.29

Called to Preach Instructor: Pastor Cindy Eakle

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.

Book: *From Pew to Pulpit* by Clifton F. Guthrie.
[Amazon](#) paperback \$15.46 Kindle \$9.99; [Cokesbury](#) \$13.49

Justice in Everyday Life Instructor: Pastor Shauna Hyde

This course looks at the Social Principles of The United Methodist Church. The Social Principles are prayerful and thoughtful efforts to speak to complex and controversial issues in the global community. Studying *The Social Principles* provides opportunities to examine your own theology and ethics and to practice discipleship. To read more about the Social Principles, [click here](#).

Book: *Social Principles of the United Methodist Church 2017-2020*
[Amazon](#) Kindle \$6.15; paperback \$5.99; [Upper Room](#) Bookstore \$3.99

Transforming Evangelism Instructor: Pastor Ed Craft

This course leads participants to learn from John Wesley how to practice relational evangelism. They will discover that evangelism involves not only sharing our faith with others but also welcoming people into a community where they can grow in faith.

Book: *Transforming Evangelism: The Wesleyan Way of Sharing Faith*:
[Amazon](#) (Kindle \$9.99; paperback \$10.55; [Upper Room Books](#) (Kindle \$9.99; paperback \$14)