PRAIRIE SOUTH SPRING 2023 LAY ACADEMY

Lay Servant Ministries
CARING · COMMUNICATING · LEADING

2 SATURDAYS
March 11th & 18th
8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Cost $40
Youth may register at no cost if accompanied by a registered adult

Sycamore UMC
160 Johnson Avenue, Sycamore, IL

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1 For the Common Good: Discovering and Using Your Spiritual Gifts*- This course offers a scriptural understanding of spiritual gifts as always given "for the common good."
Book: *For the Common Good* by Christine Harman
Instructor: Jean Gewin

2 Living Our United Methodist Beliefs (United Methodist Heritage)* - This course will explain the special gifts of theology, witness, and organization that The United Methodist Church brings to the church universal, how we got where we are today and how our distinctive emphases are still needed today
Book: *Living Our Beliefs: The United Methodist Way--Participant's Book* by Kenneth L. Carder
Instructor: TBA

3 Leading Worship (Worshiping with United Methodists)* - This course focuses on the ministry of the lay servant who either regularly or occasionally leads a group or congregation in worship.
Book: *Worshiping with United Methodists* by Hoyt L. Hickman
Instructor: Marcia Peddicord

4 NEW Opening Ourselves to Grace: The Means of Grace and Discipleship - This video-based course helps lay servant leaders embrace and communicate a Wesleyan understanding of basic Christian practices (works of piety and mercy) as means of grace.
Book: *Opening Ourselves to Grace: The Means of Grace and Discipleship* by Steven W. Manskar
        Available by download via PDF (link to be shared after registration)
Instructor: Janet Becker

All books may be purchased at your favorite bookseller.
All class times must be attended to receive course credit.
At this time, food will not be provided, so please make arrangements for your snacks and lunch each day.
* Notes required class if advancement to Certified Lay Speaker or Certified Lay Minister is desired.

Register Online: umcnic.org/calendar/lake-south-lay-academy-spring-23

QUESTIONS?
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