

REGISTRATION FORM

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City, zip _____

Local Church _____

Course Offerings (please check one):

- Intro to Lay Speaking Basic
 UM Heritage (Living our Faith)
 Worshiping with United Methodists
 Biblical Interpretation: A Road Map
 Polity, Practice & Mission of the UMC

Registration Fee: \$25.00

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District Lay Servant Academy*

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Chicago Southern District Lay Servant Academy Committee Members

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Ministries Director

Daily Schedule

Registration & Book Sale8 am
Opening Worship8:30 am
Class Session 9 am- 3 pm

Chicago Southern District Lay Servant Academy Spring 2020



Session Schedule - Two Saturdays

March 14 8 am- 3 pm

March 21 9 am- 3 pm

Faith United Methodist Church

15015 Grant Street
Dolton, IL 60429

Pastor Charles Straight, Pastor

Bishop Sally Dyck, Episcopal Leader
Northern Illinois Conference

Rev. Dr. Jacques A. Conway, Superintendent
Chicago Southern District

Mrs. Dawn Shires, District Co-Lay Leader
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Dr. Irma Clark, Director
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Mrs. Rose Faulkner, Dean
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Certified Lay Servants

Requirements for Certified Lay Servant:

1. Apply in writing to the Lay Servant Ministry Academy Committee and be recommended by the Pastor and the Administrative Council or Church Conference of the local church where he/she holds membership
2. Complete the Basic Course.
3. Complete the Advanced Course(s). See the 2016 UM Book of Discipline, ¶1668.

Re-certification of Lay Servants

Requirements for re-certification of Lay Servants.

1. Endorsement of the Pastor and Administrative Council or Church Conference.
2. Written request for recertification.
3. Completion of one Advanced course every three years.

2020 Spring Academy Course Offerings

1. Introduction to Lay Speaking: Basic Course (Book cost \$11.00) *Mr. Thom Bell*, Certified Lay Servant, and member of Faith UMC, Dolton IL, is the instructor for this course. The Basic Course is the foundation for all courses in Lay Servant Ministries. Students will learn the importance of exercising servant leadership and developing future leaders.

2. United Methodist Heritage - Living Our Faith: The United Methodist Way (Book cost: \$13.00) *Ms. Lara Batchelor*, Certified Lay Servant, and member of First UMC of Evergreen Park is the instructor for this course. This course will explore 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 in the 21st century church.

3. Worshiping with United Methodists (Book cost \$12.00) – *Ms. Geraldine Jordan*, Certified Lay Servant, and member of St. Mark UMC, Chicago, IL is the instructor for this course. This course focuses on the ministry of the Lay Servant who either regularly or occasionally leads a group or congregation in workshop.

4. Biblical Interpretation: A Roadmap (Book cost \$19.50) – *Rev. Larry Paris*, Pastor of First UMC of Evergreen Park is the instructor for this course. This course opens a new world for many Lay Servants who have not had professional training in biblical interpretation.

5. Polity, Practice, and the Mission of The United Methodist Church (Book cost - \$19.00). *Rev. Dr Jacques A. Conway*, Chicago Southern District Superintendent, is the instructor for this course. This course gives participants an overview of the structure and organization of The United Methodist Church.

Statement of Purpose

All Laity are Welcome! You do not need to participate in the Lay Servant Program to attend. These courses can help you better serve your church.

The Chicago Southern District Lay Servant Academy provides opportunities for all persons to nurture their religious knowledge within a fellowship of Christian friends.

Requirements

1. **No pre-requisites** are required. A layperson can take any course for *self-improvement* without prior course work.
2. **Attendance is required** at ALL sessions in order obtain credit for taking the class. If a session is missed, the instructor must be satisfied that the student meets the established goals of the course.
3. Persons seeking to become **Certified Lay Servants** must take prescribed courses.

ALL Lay Servants are REQUIRED to submit annual reports to their Charge Conference.