

**REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

LOCAL CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose for attending (please check): \_\_\_\_\_ Self Improvement  
\_\_\_\_\_ Certified Lay Servant

Course Offerings (please check one):  
\_\_\_\_\_ Introduction to Lay Speaking  
\_\_\_\_\_ U.M.H. Heritage (Living Our Faith)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Transforming Community  
\_\_\_\_\_ Bible Class  
\_\_\_\_\_ UM Discipline of The UMC

Registration Fee: \$20.00

Make Checks Payable to:

*Chicago Southern District  
Lay Servant Ministry Academy*

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**Chicago Southern District Lay  
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**Daily Schedule**

Registration & Book Sale.....8 am

Worship.....8:30 am

Class Session.....9 am – 3 pm

**Chicago Southern District  
Lay Servant Ministry  
Academy  
Spring, 2019**



Session Schedule – Two Saturdays  
Saturday, March 2, 2019 – 8 am – 3 pm  
Saturday, March 9, 2019 – 9 am – 3 pm

Faith United Methodist Church  
15015 Grant Street  
Dolton, IL 60419

Rev. Charles Straight - Pastor

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Lay Servant Ministry – Chicago Southern District

## Certified Lay Servants

### Requirements:

- (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 United Methodist Heritage See ¶668 of the 2016 UM Book of Discipline.

## Re-certification of Lay Servants

### Requirements:

- (1) Endorsement of the Pastor and Administrative Council or Church Conference.
- (2) Written request for re-certification
- (3) Completion of an Advanced Course every three (3) years.

## 2019 Spring Session COURSE OFFERINGS

### 1. Introduction to Lay Servant and Lay

**Speakers: Basic Course** (Book cost \$11.00)

**Mr. James Barry**, a Certified Lay Servant and a member of First UMC, LaGrange, 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 Beliefs: The United Methodist Way

(Book cost - \$13.00) **Mrs. Vanessa Jones-Lyles**, Certified Lay Servant and member of Hartzell-Memorial UMC, Chicago, IL, is the instructor of 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 21<sup>st</sup> century church.

### 3. Book of Discipline of The United Methodist

**Church:** Instructor, **Attorney Walton Davis**, Certified Lay Servant, member of Gorham UMC, Chicago, IL. Bring your copy of the 2016 Book of Discipline. The product of over 200 years of General Conferences of the denominations that form The United Methodist Church, the *Discipline* is the current statement of how United Methodists agree to live together.

4. **Transforming Community**, (Book cost \$15.00) Advance Course, Instructor, **Mrs. Lois Nemeith**, Certified Lay Servant, member of Olympia Fields UMC, Olympia Fields, IL. This course teaches the Wesleyan Way to form missional communities and congregations. It is based on the conviction that just as holiness of heart leads to holiness of life, it is communities of holy love that participate in God's mission in the world.

5. **Bible: Deuteronomy**, Instructor, **Rev. Charles Straight**, Pastor of Faith UMC, Dolton, IL. DEUTERONOMY, a call for commitment to God; Moses' third address; the change in leadership; Moses' last days. Moses called the people to commitment. God still calls us to be committed to love Him with all our heart, soul, mind and strength.

## Statement of Purpose

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

The Chicago Southern District Lay Servant Ministry 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 may take any course for *self-Improvement* without prior course work
2. **Attendance is required** at ALL sessions in order to 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 and Lay Speakers are REQUIRED to submit annual reports to their Church Conference.**