

Lay Servant Ministries

Lay Servant Ministries is one of the most significant lay leadership development programs available within the United Methodist connection. Through this equipping and empowering system, lay servants have the opportunity to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ who then go and make other disciples.

Lay discipleship is always leadership and leadership is always evangelism—because all who follow Jesus lead others to him. Laity are called to be disciples—and disciples lead others to Christ.

Basic Course

Introduction to Lay Ministry: The BASIC Course This course is foundational for all courses in Lay Servant Ministries. 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.

ADVANCED COURSES

Heritage Devotional Life in the Wesleyan Tradition (ENGLISH) - Structured around Wesley's "means of grace," this study covers, among other topics, prayer, Scripture, the Lord's Supper, and fasting – major features in John Wesley's devotional life. Participants will learn how they can apply Wesley's ministry to their own life.

La Vida de **Devoción** en la **Tradicón** Wesleyana (SPANISH)

- Estructurado en torno a los "medios de gracia" de Wesley, este estudio abarca, entre otros temas, la oración, la Escritura, la Cena del Señor y el ayuno, **características** principales en la vida devocional de John Wesley. Los participantes aprenderán cómo pueden aplicar el ministerio de Wesley a su propia vida.

Preaching- Called to Preach 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.

Lay Servants Lead in Conflict Resolution - Every church deals with conflict, both healthy and unhealthy, and lay servants can be equipped and empowered to help lead through those times of conflict as a time of transformation.

Lay Servants as Christian Transformational Leaders - This course will guide lay servants seeking to be more empowered to lead their congregations toward vitality.