

**WESLEYAN DISTRICT
LAY SERVANT ACADEMY REGISTRATION**

April 14, 2018

(Early registration is required for effective planning!)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

ZIP _____ PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

LOCAL
CHURCH _____

PASTOR _____

Are you taking this class for Lay Speaker Certification? _____

Certification requires:

Approval at your Charge Conference, See attached Fact Sheet for additional requirements

CHOICE OF COURSE: (Choose One)

_____ **Intro to Lay Ministry (Basic)**

_____ **Living as United Methodists**

_____ **Leading Public Prayer**

_____ **Caring for Those who Grieve**

The cost for the Lay Servant Ministry Training is \$30.00, which includes the materials, book, and lunch, plus snacks.

Please complete this registration form and return it with your payment no later than **April 2, 2018 to:**

**Wesleyan District
P. O. Box 230
Buckhannon, WV 26201**

Make check payable to: **Wesleyan District**

It is important that you register by the deadline as course books need to be mailed to enrollees in advance. There are assignments which need to be completed before attending class.

**One class is equal to 10 contact hours (includes pre-session homework).
Questions?**

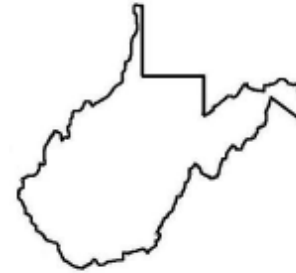
Contact:

Jim Minutelli at 304-745-3676
minutellij@gmail.com
Or

Wesleyan District Office, 304-472-1095,
joc@wvumc.org

There will be NO walk-in Registrations because of pre-course homework that is required.

**Wesleyan District
Lay Ministry
Training Schedule**



April 14, 2018

**Chapel Hill United Methodist
88 S. Kanawha Street
Buckhannon, WV 26201**

- 7:30 a.m. Registration**
- 8:00 a.m. Opening Worship**
- 9:00 a.m. Morning Class Session**
- 10:30 a.m. Break for 15 minutes**
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. Afternoon Class Session**
- 2:30 p.m. Afternoon Break**
- 2:45 p.m. Classes Continue**

Welcome Friends!

So many people these days only think of Easter as a holiday of brightly colored eggs, chocolate bunnies and Peeps, those soft, tasty little marshmallow chicks that we consume at a rate of 700,000,000 a year in the US. My wife likes to take her Peeps and let them sit in the cupboard until they become hard. She is willing to wait to get what she wants. She goes to the cupboard and feels the chicks often, giving me the play by play of how close they are to “perfection.” Me? I want the immediate gratification of eating the freshly opened treats during Easter, then I don’t have any when she is enjoying hers. Sometimes she forgets about them, and when we go to fill our treat bowls with Christmas candy, we find a few stray Peeps.

In lay ministry, our Christian life and service sometimes can mirror this. Once the excitement of Lent & Easter are out of the way, have we used up all of our enthusiasm? Have we put it on a shelf until the next big event and forgotten about it? Or do we use the anticipation of what is coming to fuel us throughout the year? How do we evangelize to, or disciple, those around us during not so exciting times in our liturgical year?

Please take a look at this brochure and prayerfully consider where the Lord in taking you in your ministry. Look for what excites you – your own personal Peep.

If you have any questions about our journey together as Lay Servants, you can reach out to me or the District for more info.

See **you** in April!

**Jim Minutelli, Certified Lay Minister
Director, Wesleyan District Lay Servant
Ministry Academy
minutellij@gmail.com**

Courses being offered:

Intro to Lay Ministry Basic Course

Instructor: Pastor Brian Boley

This course is for persons discerning a call to proclaim the presence and power of God through Lay Servant Ministries. Basic principles of proclaiming the Word of God through worship leadership, preaching, witnessing, teaching, leadership, and service form the framework for the class. This class will include leading a 5-10 minute devotion during the afternoon. There will be a pre-course preparation sheet sent along with the course book when you register.

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.

If you have already completed the basic course, and intend to become a Certified Lay Speaker or Certified Lay Servant, you are invited to sign up for the advanced course listed below:

To keep your certificate current an advanced course is needed every three years.

Leading Public Prayer

Instructor: Rev. K Almond

Prayer is something we learn; it is something that can be taught. For many, however, the only teaching about prayer they ever receive is modeled in Sunday worship. This course may challenge some of your assumptions, test some of your preconceived ideas, stretch your thinking, and enrich your prayer life. It will, at the very least, present you with

an opportunity to grow in the discipline of leading public prayer.

Living as United Methodist Christians

Instructor: Rev. Mark Smith

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.

Caring for Those Who Grieve

Instructor: Rev. Brian Seders

This course helps participants understand grief and effective ways of caring for those who experience various losses, including death of loved ones, employment loss, family changes, and relocation.

Find us on Facebook and request us to add you: *Wesleyan District Lay Servants WV*

Visit the Wesleyan District website at www.wesleyandistrictumc.org for more information about our Lay Ministry programs.



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Spring 2018



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Chapel Hill United
Methodist Church
Buckhannon, WV**