



Baltimore Region
Leadership Day 2018

Saturday, March 10, 2018

Bel Air United Methodist Church, 21 Linwood Ave, Bel Air 21014



ORDER OF THE DAY

8:00am ~ Registration

9:00-9:30am ~ Opening Worship

9:30am-10:20am ~ Plenary Session

10:30am-12:00pm ~ Morning Classes

12:00-1:20pm ~ Lunch

1:30-3:00pm ~ Afternoon Classes

3:10-3:40pm ~ Closing Worship

PLENARY SPEAKER



**Erin Hawkins,
General Secretary of the
General Commission on
Race and Religion**

We are called to be One Body, connected in covenant, like a band playing in concert with one another. And like a band, we all come with something special, something different. We all have our own part and our own specialty, which played on its own may be beautiful but is solitary. It is only by coming together that we can create a masterpiece of ministry. For the 2018 Baltimore Region Leadership Day, we invite you to come and join the band! This year we bring you classes geared toward helping each section of our churches work together along with Erin Hawkins the General Secretary of GCORR as our guest speaker, we will work to be the Body of Christ create one beautiful sound.



MORNING CLASSES

SPRC: Core Principles For Harmonious Congregations

Every organization needs leader-communicators that can serve as a bridge between the needs of the staff and the needs of those served by the staff- this is the role of the SPRC. This class will cover the core principles of the Staff Parish Relations Committee and the role of the chairperson including how the committee and chairperson interrelate with the Conference, the Clergy, and the Congregation.

Instructor: Rev. Dr. Ann Laprade, Superintendent of the Baltimore Suburban District

Text Referenced: Guidelines for Leading Your Congregations: 2017-2020 Pastor Parish Relations.

Trustees Rock: Core Principles for Resource Management

As a Trustee chair and member, you will begin to see your work as the "mission of good stewardship" because you will provide supervision and maintenance of the local church's properties for the purpose of enabling the church to do effective ministry. "Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world" is as essential to the work of the trustees as it is to the work of the church's committees, boards and ministries.

Instructor: Rev. Sheridan Allmond is the pastor at Mount Olive UMC in Randallstown, MD and is a current member of the Conference Board of Trustees.

Text Referenced: Guidelines for Leading Your Congregation 2017-2020 - Trustees: Managing the Resources of the Congregation.

Finance: Amplifying Core Principles

The goal of the ministry of finance is to fund ministries that nurture persons in their faith. The finance system in the congregation will raise, manage, and disperse the funds of the congregation that help realize the mission and vision of the church. This workshop is for anyone who serves on a finance team or interfaces with the offerings of the church. Are you counting money correctly? Do you know how long to keep your records? We aim to answer all those questions and more.

Instructor: Paul Eichelberger is the Treasurer and CFO of the Baltimore-Washington Conference

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Part 1 of a Two Part Workshop- If you take this course, we urge you take Part 2!

Instructor: This workshop will be led by several effective worship planners and leaders from the BWC.

MissionInsite - Knowing the Frequency of your Community

Be a presence in God's community and discover the ministry opportunities in your own backyard. MissionInsite, a demographic tool, will provide insight about the population (young adult, family, or older adult), socio-economic and employment status, etc... so that you can do ministries that cater to your neighbors. You will learn the basic navigation techniques and how to pull up demographic reports for your church's needs through MissionInsite.

Instructors: Jo Chesson is the Project Manager for Congregational Development.

Bringing the Faith-Science Dialogue in Concert with Sunday Morning

Studies show that: 1) many young Christians have come to the conclusion that faith and science are incompatible; 2) one of the top reasons young people are leaving the church today is the perception that the church is anti-science; and 3) young people in schools worldwide have the perception of conflict between science and religious faith by the age of 11. But, what appears to be an obstacle or challenge for the local church today--interfacing with a culture increasingly shaped by science--can be an opportunity for new expressions of discipleship, worship, and evangelistic outreach. Christ Crossman UMC (located in Falls Church, Virginia, just outside of Washington, D.C.) has seen the fruits of intentionally facilitating the faith-science dialogue for every age in the congregation. Specifically, it has incorporated hands-on science in its children's lessons; explored science-and-religion issues in its confirmation classes; and hosted the faith-science dialogue in its worship services. The positive impacts have been seen in feedback from parents and congregants and in increased attendance. This case study suggests that bringing the topics of science into Sunday morning church programming not only makes for more robust discipleship for all ages but also can be an innovative means for witness, evangelism, and community outreach.

Instructor: Jennifer Secki-Shields, WesleyNexus Board member and Founder of the new Discovery & Faith program; Ms. Secki-Shields holds a graduate degree in evolutionary biology and is an experienced director of Christian Education in the United Methodist Church.

Community Partnerships- Resonating with your Community

It is vital for a church to know how to recognize opportunities for partnerships and collaborative work within their surrounding community. Not sure where to start or how to start? In this class, you will learn and explore ways to partner with other churches and faith based organizations.

Instructor: Rev. Dr. Stacey Wilson is the Director of Congregation Excellence at the Baltimore- Washington Conference.

Exploring Alternate Leadership Models- Leadership Remix

Effective church administration is the mighty bulwark against the chaos of every-day life in ministry. And how that administration is organized can have a profound impact on how the work of the church is carried out- good administration will magnify the effectiveness of our church and its members, poor administration can magnify, instead, all the problems our churches face. This workshop seeks to explore alternative models for organizing your administration and ways to implement them to better suite the needs and realities of your congregation.

Instructor: Rev. Dr. Wanda Duckett is the Superintendent for the Baltimore Metropolitan District

Health and Safety for our Communities- “Band Aid”

Our faith communities face a dynamic and daunting challenge from without and within. Confronting those adversities and providing meaningful ministry to our brothers and sisters affected by crime, violence, and addiction is one of the key foundations of our faith. This workshop will work to provide some best-practices and strategies for creating a space of safety and recovery to those who need a healing hand.

Instructor: Rev. Leo Yates, Jr. is a provisional deacon serving at the University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore, MD. As a licensed clinician specializing in counseling with an emphasis in co-occurring disorders (mental health and addiction), as well as Deaf Ministry. His secondary appointment is at Magothy UMC of the Deaf in Pasadena, MD.

Major Sheree Briscoe is the Commander of the Western District of the Baltimore Police Department.

Laity and Clergy- Symphony of Service

The relationship between clergy and laity in a church is paramount to the vitality of that community. Lay Servants, Speakers, and Ministers play an integral role in that relationship and in the life and ministry of our faith communities. This workshop will detail the path laity must take to become a lay servant or a lay minister and will illustrate ways in which clergy and lay servants and ministers can support each other more effectively in their specific roles.

Instructor: Rev. John Nupp is the Director of the Center for Clergy Excellence at the Baltimore-Washington Conference UMC.

Your Social Media Ministry- Techno-Media

Social Media is an ever-expanding frontier for the church. Navigating it as an individual can be daunting, but it is evermore a vital piece in the landscape of our ministry. In this workshop we will help guide you in strengthening your Church's Social Media presence while providing some best practices to for safely using Social Media as a window to your vibrant ministries!

Instructor: Pastor Michael Carrington leads the congregation of St. Luke United Methodist Church in Reisterstown, MD and is a leader in the Baltimore Suburban District Young Adult Council

Youth Round-Table: Young Voices

This is an open discussion forum for youth ministries in the Baltimore Region. Some topics which will be discussed include: Differences between suburban ministries and urban ministries, addressing violence and addiction youth experience, and more. This round-table is for Youth Leaders and Clergy.

Instructors:

Susan Harry is the Director of Youth Ministries for the Baltimore Suburban District

Shannon Gibbs is the Director of Youth Ministries for the Baltimore Metropolitan District

AFTERNOON CLASSES

SPRC: Advanced- Conflict Resolution and Transitions

Our churches live through seasons and some seasons are more tumultuous than others. When our faith community is in the midst of a transition or struggling with internal conflict, the SPRC plays a vital role in maintaining stability and facilitating productive resolutions. In this class we'll explore some of the nuances and provide some strategies for this part of the SPRC's job taught by a clergy-SPRC team who have lived through these difficulties.

Instructor: Rev. Alicia Vanisko is the pastor at Linden Heights UMC
Barbara Yingling is the former SPRC chair at Linden Heights UMC

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Cross Cultural Appointments: With One A-Chord

The United Methodist Church is a diverse and varied faith community. We struggle sometimes to celebrate our differences and unify ourselves as disciples of Christ. Join us for an opportunity to see how communities are strengthened and ministries are built through confronting and embracing the diversity in our midst.

Instructor: Pastor Brenda Lewis is a Provisional Elder serving at Cokesbury Memorial United Methodist Church in Abingdon, MD

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Letting the Discipline Guide Your Ministry Playing from the Same Sheet of Music

The word 'discipline' can create in the mind an idea of stark rules and barriers to creativity. But there is another side to this word- discipline can help us filter out the noise of distraction and focus our efforts on the most important, impactful activities available to us. The Book of Discipline as the guiding document of the United Methodist Church is rich with opportunities for vibrant, creative ministry with a focusing quality for our ministries. This workshop will work to help us unlock those possibilities and provide a solid groundwork for Methodist ministries.

Instructors: Rev. Dr. C Anthony Hunt is the Pastor at Epworth Chapel United Methodist Church in Baltimore

New Rhythms of Stewardship

The workshop seeks to equip church leaders in effectively addressing the practical, spiritual, and emotional aspects of money and possessions in the context of their unique church cultures.

Instructor: Rev. Twanda Prioleau is the pastor at Christ United Methodist Church in Baltimore.

Tools of Ministry: MissionInsite - Frequency of your Neighborhood

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Arena: It's Your Instrument

Though each year has its routines, in the last few years there have been a lot of changes with how Local Churches interface with the Baltimore-Washington Conference. One of those is the introduction to more and more options and tools within Arena. This workshop will guide you through how to use Arena to its full potential for your church, and make it easier to plan and use for the yearly cycle of church administration.

Instructor: John Gauthier is the District Administrator for the Baltimore Suburban District

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Voices: Young Adult Round-Table

This is an open discussion forum for Young Adult ministries in the Baltimore Region. This round-table is for Clergy and Laity Young Adults. Come with questions and we will work toward a better understanding of how to serve this demographic more effectively!

Instructors:

Michael Carrington is the Pastor at St. Lukes UMC in Reisterstown and currently serves as the young adult coordinator for the Baltimore Suburban District.

Darius Butler is the Pastor at John Wesley UMC in Abingdon

Andrew Shropshire is the young adult coordinator for the Baltimore Metropolitan District and serves as a Lay Servant at Eastern United Methodist Church in Baltimore