

# CENTRAL MARYLAND DISTRICT LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES ACADEMY – SPRING 2018

@ THE BWC MISSION CENTER

[11711 E Market Place, Fulton, MD 20759](http://11711EMarketPlace.com)

**Saturday, May 5, 2018 - Sunday, May 6, 2018**

**9:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

**3:00 PM - 5:30 PM**



Join us May 5th and 6th at the Baltimore-Washington Conference Mission Center for the CM District's Lay Servant Ministries Academy (*formerly known as Discipleship Academy*). The duration of each Lay Servant Ministries course is 10 hours. Those registering for a credit-based course must attend for the full 10-hours to receive credit for certification or recertification. As of 2017, Certified Lay Servants (CLS), Certified Lay Speakers (CLSp) and Certified Lay Ministers (CLM) must have completed the Basic LSM Course and at least one Advanced LSM Course as the minimum requirement for certification. CLS, CLSp, and CLMs are, furthermore, still required to take an Advanced LSM Course for recertification credit every three years. If you have questions about your certification, please contact your District Lay Servant Ministries Director(s).

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## Registration Information:

- Certification Course Registration (Basic or Advanced): \$35.00
- Optional Boxed Lunch: \$10.00
- All registrations will be online only. We **cannot** accommodate walk-in registrations.

Click Here to  
**REGISTER**

<http://tiny.cc/cmd-lsm-academy>

## CLASS OFFERINGS/TEXTBOOKS

### **BASIC COURSE**

**Basic Lay Servant** – with Rev. Dr. Sue Shorb-Sterling

*(Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker / Certified Lay Minister Initial Certification Requirement)*

This course is a prerequisite to all Advanced Courses for Certified Lay Servants, Lay Speakers, and Lay Ministers. 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. **Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.**

**Text:** [Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course Participant's Book](#)

ISBN # 978-0-88177-626-3 • \$7.70 on [Cokesbury.com](http://Cokesbury.com)

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## **ADVANCED COURSES**

*Note: The Basic Course is a prerequisite for all Advanced Courses.*

### **Called to Preach** – with Pastor Lynne Humphries Russ

*(Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker (Preaching Category) / Certified Lay Minister Credit)*

This course 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.

**Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.**

**Text: From Pew to Pulpit · Participant's Guide**

ISBN #978-0-68706-660-5 · \$10.79 at [Cokesbury.com](http://Cokesbury.com)

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### **Class Leaders** – with Rev. Dr. Samuel Holdbrook-Smith

*(Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker (Heritage Category) / Certified Lay Minister Credit)*

This course will explore the office of class leader in the Wesleyan Methodist tradition. It examines the need for recovering the lay pastoral ministry of the class leader for the twenty-first-century church.

**NOTE: Accountable Discipleship is a prerequisite to this course. Those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.**

**Text: Class Leaders: Recovering a Tradition · Participant's Book**

ISBN #978-1-57910-954-7 · \$24.00 on [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com)

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### **Leading Worship** – with Rev. Phil Ayers

*(Certified Lay Servant / Certified Lay Speaker (Leading Worship Category) / Certified Lay Minister Credit)*

This advanced course in Lay Servant Ministries focuses on the ministry of the Lay Servant who either regularly or occasionally leads a group, class, organization, or the congregation in worship. The course is grounded in the classic patterns of Christian worship and the practices of leading worship. Participants will come to understand more about Christian worship in order to lead worship with more confidence. They will practice leading worship in a variety of formats throughout the course. **Please note that those registering for this class must read the text prior to the class.**

**Text: Worshiping with United Methodists (Revised Edition) · Participant's Book**

ISBN #978-0-68733-526-8 · \$11.99 on [Cokesbury.com](http://Cokesbury.com)

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**PLEASE NOTE:** A course may be canceled if registration is lower than five persons. Courses may also be canceled for any reason by the District or the instructor if extenuating circumstances arise. Registrants will be notified of a cancellation as soon as possible. In the event of a cancellation, registrations can be transferred to another course within this academy or a refund will be issued. Should you, the participant, choose to cancel your registration for an active course, please contact the District Administrator prior to April 25, 2018. Refunds for active courses are not available beyond that date. We appreciate your understanding.