

*The Maumee Watershed
District is pleased to announce*

2015
Spring
Lay Servant
Ministry
Training

APRIL 19 & 25



Saturday
April 18, 2015

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Saturday
April 25 2015

9:00am-3:00pm

First UMC
7000 Erie Street
Sylvania OH

Registration Deadline: March 28, 2015

ONLINE Registration at maumeewatershed.org



Cost: \$40

Fees include: 2 Saturday class sessions, course materials, meals, & snacks.

For more information contact:

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Barb Lane: 419.833.1111; bablane@hotmail.com

2015 Lay Servant Ministry Courses

Basic Course

This course is the foundation for all other learning and lay leadership courses where you are encouraged to discover and employ personal spiritual gifts as God intended. Participants are invited 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. The course offers guidelines for best practices as a church leader in mission and ministry in the community and in daily life. Led by Mary Kay, pastor serving Christ UMC, Napoleon and Deb Dickerson, Certified Lay Servant from St. Paul UMC, Toledo.

A pastoral letter of recommendation reflecting the support of the church council should be sent to the district office for any first-time application to take the Basic Lay Servant course. Upon completion of the Basic Lay Servant course, a lay servant may be recognized by the charge conference as a Local Church Lay Servant, meaning he or she may serve the local church in witnessing to the Christian faith through spoken communication, church and community leadership, and care-giving ministries.



Life Together in the Connection (UM Polity)

Why does the United Methodist Church do things the way it does? And what does any of this have to do with trying to be a place and a people that embody the Kingdom of God? This course will help participants get their bearings and consider the specific structural challenges The United Methodist Church faces in the 21st-century. Led by Linda Middelberg, District Superintendent of the Maumee Watershed District.

This course is considered an Advanced Class for Lay Servants and fulfills one of the courses needed for the Lay Speaker certification.

Dancing with Words

Everyone loves a story. Yet what constitutes a good story? Storytelling requires more than just spinning tales; the stories must make important points. Discover your storytelling styles, learn the techniques of effective storytelling, and practice creating stories from your own experiences. Led by Tony and Barb Lane, Maumee United Methodist Church.

This course is considered an Advanced Course and may be used to fulfill the required refresher course for local church lay servants.

Aging and Ministry

This course offers a perceptive and practical guide for leaders who are interested in building ministry for older adults. Led by Becky Grohowski, Unity United Methodist Church.

This course is considered an Advanced Course and may be used to fulfill the required refresher course for local church lay servants.

Holy Currencies

How do we reach the next generation? The un-churched? The de-churched? Those seeking authentic spirituality, but suspicious of centralized authority? In this workshop we will work toward developing missional ministries to help our congregations enter into relationship with our neighbors in life- and world-transforming ways. Churches are encouraged to send teams of 3-5 lay people who will develop a plan to lead their church in a new or renewed missional ministry. Led by Tom Rand, Assistant to the Maumee Watershed District Superintendent & catalysts.

OPEN CLASS. *This course is considered an Advanced Class for Lay Servants.*

REGISTRATION INFORMATION: Please select one of the courses and complete the following information. Return this bottom portion with payment to the address below. *Registration deadline is March 28, 2014.*

Name: _____ Home Church: _____

Home Address: _____ City, State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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Maumee Watershed District Office
1729 Indian Wood Circle
Maumee, Ohio 43537

- I am...
- Registering by Mail
\$40.00
- I have...
- Registered Online & Paying by Check
\$40.00

Please indicate below the course you are taking.

- Basic Course in Lay Speaking
- Dancing with Words
- Holy Currencies
- Life Together in the Connection
- Aging and Ministry