FIVE RIVERS DISTRICT LAY SERVANT TRAINING
Friday & Saturday, March 27 & 28, 2020
5:00 p.m. Friday to 4:30 p.m. Saturday
Paola Kansas UMC
209 S Silver St, Paola, KS 66071/913 294-3475

Lay Servant Basic Course *(pre-requisite for other courses)*
*Class size: 15 participants*

*Instructor: Dave Wasserfallen and members of the District LSM team,*
*Text: Lay Servant Ministries by Sandy Ziegler Jackson & Brian Jackson*

This course is designed for participants 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. Fee will include book.

Multimedia Technology for Church Volunteers *(advanced course)*
*Class size: 15 participants*

*Instructor: Todd Seifert, Great Plains Conference Director of Communications*

This course is designed to help lay persons understand and make appropriate use of technology to aid in worship and other church functions. If you have a laptop with Power Point that you use regularly, please bring it. However, that is not a requirement for the course. This can be taken by those interested in Multimedia but not necessarily wanting certification in Lay Servant Ministries.

Wesleyan Theology *(advanced course)*
*Class size: 15 participants*

*Instructor: Kenneth Baker, Pastor at Paola UMC*

This course is designed to help lay persons understand Wesleyan Theology and it’s place in the Methodist Doctrines. Using The Wesleyan Way by Bishop Scott Jones. Books will be available for loan or may be purchased through Amazon or Cokesbury.

Pastoral Care with Grieving People *(advanced course)*
*Class size: 15 participants*

*Instructor: Jada Hodgson, CLM*

This course is designed to give the Lay Servant a foundation in caring for grieving families and individuals. The course was authored by Jada Hodgson for Great Plains Conference and approved by the Conference Committee on Lay Servant Ministries. The class fulfills requirement for Advanced Course for renewal, but does not meet requirements for initial certification for Certified Lay Speakers. It can also be taken by lay people who are leading small groups but not necessarily needing LSM Certification.

There is a pre-reading assignment of Hodgson, Jada D.L. *A View from the Fog: A Story of Grief and Loss and Faith and Hope.* Bloomington, IN, WestBow Press, 2016. 978-1-5127-5592-3. It is available from Amazon.com

Preaching *(advanced course-satisfies a requirement for CLSp and CLM)*
*Class size: 8 participants*

*Instructor: Rev. Carl Ellis- Lay Academy*

This course will help students write a sermon in 7 days. Students will be helping put together meditations for Holy Week that will be shared with the district. There will be assignments to be done before the class, so registration needs to be no later than 3-18. Once registered, student will need to contact Carl Ellis at cellis@larcm.org for assignments. Course outline and syllabus will be sent at that time.
General information:

- Each class is limited as noted above (based on date that registration is received).
- Texts are available from the following providers (among others) and should be ordered to allow time for preparation before the training:
  - Upper Room - https://bookstore.upperroom.org or 800.972.0433
  - Amazon - www.amazon.com (also in Kindle version)
- Fee to cover lunch and expenses is $50(check payable to Great Plains Conference UMC) and is refundable only if you notify Marvé Ralston (785-841-4804, 5riversdistrict@greatplainsumc.org) by Thursday March 19.
- Lodging is available in Paola.
- For more information about Lay Servant Ministries (including contact information for district and conference directors), go to http://www.greatplainsumc.org/laity.

REGISTRATION FORM / Due with $50 fee by Friday, March 13, 2020

Name: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

Phone/Cell: _______________________ Church/District: ____________________________

Course: ( ) Basic ( ) Multimedia ( ) Wesley ( ) Preaching ( ) Grief Care

Special Needs: ______

Do you need directions to the church? ( ) Yes ( ) No

Return to: Five Rivers District / LSM, PO Box 556, Baldwin City, KS 66600-0556.