

Levels of Lay Servant Ministries

Local Lay Servant

- ◆ Completed the basic course
- ◆ Serves in the local church

Certified Lay Servant

- ◆ Local Lay Servant
- ◆ Attended one advanced course
- ◆ Serves in local church and beyond

Certified Lay Speaker

- ◆ Certified Lay Servant
- ◆ Attended six specific advanced courses
- ◆ Serves in pulpit supply in the district

Certified Lay Ministers

- ◆ Certified Lay Servant
- ◆ Attended four specific modules
- ◆ Called and equipped to conduct public worship and care

Lay Servant Academies 2018 Southwest District, Texas



Lay Servant ministries is one of the most significant lay leadership development programs already available within the United Methodist connection. Through this system of equipping and empowering, Lay Servants have the opportunity to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ and then go help others grow as well as make other disciples.

Registration: Friday — 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM

Class Times: Friday — 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Saturday — 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Commitment Ceremony: Saturday — 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Cost: \$20

Included:
Lunch, snacks, coffee and water.

Not Included: Book listed under each class, must be purchased and read before the class start date

As the dates approach, you can register at the Southwest District website: <http://southwestdistrict.org/>

The instructors will be determined at a later time.

Feel free to recopy and put these flyers out in your church or request copies from the district office.

Apr 20-21, 2018: Fulshear FUMC

Basic Course — This course provides the foundation to discover and employ spiritual gifts and teaches the importance of exercising servant leadership. Prepare a 10 minute devotion to share in the class. [Book: Lay Servant Ministries — Participant's Guide](#)

Leading Worship — This course focuses on equipping the Lay Servant who leads a congregation or group in worship. [Book: Worshiping with Untied Methodists \(Hickman\)](#)

Leading Bible Study — This course opens up a new world to those who have not had training in biblical interpretation. Bible study and interpretation are a core part of our spiritual journey. [Book: Biblical Interpretation: A Roadmap \(Ringe/Tiffany\)](#)

Oct 19-20, 2018: Sugar Land FUMC*

Basic Course — This course provides the foundation to discover and employ spiritual gifts and teaches the importance of exercising servant leadership. Prepare a 10 minute devotion to share in the class. [Book: Lay Servant Ministries — Participant's Guide](#)

Spiritual Gifts — This course focuses on learning more about your spiritual gifts and how the church can use them to fulfill its mission and ministry. [Book: Each One a Minister \(Carter\)](#)

Polity — This course is structured around Wesley's "Means of Grace". Learn how to apply Wesley's ministry in your own life and walk with Christ. [Book: The Method of Our Mission \(Warner\)](#)

***The classes and possibly dates are unlikely but subject to change.**