



## Registration for Lay Servant Ministries Classes South West District

To become a Certified Lay Servant, you must complete the Basic Course and an Advanced Course and be approved by your pastor, church council and district director. To become a Certified Lay Speaker, you must be a Certified Lay Servant, complete additional coursework, and be approved by your pastor, church council, district director and the conference committee on lay servant ministries. To *begin* becoming a Certified Lay Minister, you must receive approval for the special training. First, you must be a Certified Lay Servant. Then you must be sure of support from your pastor and church council. At that point, contact the office of the District Superintendent, and receive his or her approval for training. Then contact the district director for training options.

The following courses have been scheduled:

**Basic Course in Lay Ministries at Trinity UMC, Sarasota, Florida**, led by the Rev. Lisa Ann Degrenia.

- This is a ten-hour course over three days. You must be present for all ten hours to receive credit.
- Schedule: Friday, February 15, from 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, February 16, from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; and Monday, February 18, from 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Please buy and read the required book before class meets. It may be purchased from Cokesbury [here](#).
- Course fee: \$25.00. This covers the class and snacks. Please bring a Bible, notebook and pen.

**Three Advanced Courses in Lay Servant Ministries at St. John UMC, Sarasota, Florida.**

- Each of the three courses require ten hours to receive credit.
- Schedule: Friday, March 22, 6:00 – 9:00 pm and Saturday, March 23, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm.
- Three Courses will be offered:
  1. **Leading in Prayer**, led by Carolyn Boyle. The book is available [here](#). This course is one of those required in the Certified Lay Speaker program.
  2. **Living Our Beliefs**, led by Sam Carter. The book is available [here](#). This course is also one of those required in the Certified Lay Speaker program.
  3. **Lay Servants As Christian Transformational Leaders**, led by Rod Groom. The book is available [here](#). This new course will guide lay servants seeking to be more empowered to lead their congregations toward vitality.
- Course fee: \$25.00. This covers the class, snacks and lunch on Saturday. Please bring a Bible, notebook and pen.

To register for one of these courses, fill out and mail the form on the next page. If you have questions, email Rod Groom at [rod.groom@gmail.com](mailto:rod.groom@gmail.com).

## I would like to register for:

\_\_\_ **Basic Course**, led by Rev. Lisa Ann Degrenia, at Trinity UMC, on February 15, 16, and 18, 2019.

\_\_\_ **Leading in Prayer**, led by Carolyn Boyle, at St. John's UMC, on March 22 and 23, 2019.

\_\_\_ **Living Our Beliefs**, led by Sam Carter, at St. John's UMC, on March 22 and 23, 2019.

\_\_\_ **Lay Servants As Transformational Leaders**, led by Rod Groom, on March 22 and 23, 2019.

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your church: \_\_\_\_\_

Your email: \_\_\_\_\_

Your phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail your registration and check for \$25.00 to the address below. **The check should be made out to St. James UMC, with the designation "LSM" on the notation/subject line.**

Mail to:

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**Registration deadlines: February 8, 2019 for the Basic Course.  
March 15, 2019 for one of the three Advanced Courses**

Any questions? Email Rod at [rod.groom@gmail.com](mailto:rod.groom@gmail.com).