



## Binghamton District Lay Servant Classes

### Kirkwood First UMC

255 Main Street, Kirkwood NY 13795

**Dates & Times:** Friday evening, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm and  
Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

**Check-in 5:30 pm on Friday, May 18th**

Classes are open to all whether in pursuit of a certified lay servant or lay speaker title or not!  
Sign up early as classes may fill up! Requested Deadline for Registration is May 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### Two Courses are being offered from which to choose:

- **“Aging and Ministry”** Instructor: **Rev. Lea Harding, United Methodist Homes**  
This is a practical guide for building ministry for older adults. Required book: “Aging and Ministry in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century” by Richard H. Gentzler, Jr.
- **“Leading Prayer”** Instructor: **Rev. Diane Prentice, Kirkwood UMC.**  
This course helps participants understand spiritual gifts and how the church can use them to fulfill its mission and ministry. Required book: Let the Whole Church Say Amen by Lawrence Hall Stookey

**By e-mail:** E-mail all the information required on the registration form and email to:

[Binghamtonlayservant@gmail.com](mailto:Binghamtonlayservant@gmail.com) Bring your completed Registration Form to class. You can either bring your course fee to the first class or mail it to the District Office. If you are requesting a book from the District Office, please mail the course and book fee to the District Office.

**By Mail:** Mail completed Registration Form, with the course fee (and book fee if ordered through District Office) to:

Lay Servant Ministry – Registration  
c/o Binghamton District Office  
53 McKinley Avenue, Endicott, NY 13760-5497

### Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Church & District: \_\_\_\_\_

Course Name & Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Basic Course** requires the pastor’s signature \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:

\_\_\_\_\_ please bring me a book to the first class or \_\_\_\_\_ I’ll stop in District Office and get a copy or \_\_\_\_\_ I have a book that I can use If ordering a book through the District Office, payment is preferred with course fee at the time of preregistration.

(Checks should be made out to “UNYAC” & “Binghamton District LSM” goes on the Memo line.)

## **Newark Valley UMC**

63 South Main Street, Newark Valley, NY 13811

**Dates: Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**

There are both Afternoon and Evening Classes.

You may take one class in the afternoon and stay for an evening class if you choose!

**Times: Afternoon classes are 1:00 pm to 4:15 pm**

**Evening Classes are 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm the first evening  
and 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm on Wednesday and Thursday**

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**Afternoon Classes – Time 1:00 pm to 4:15 pm, Tuesday May 8<sup>th</sup> – May 10<sup>th</sup>**

***Spiritual Gifts – Each One a Minister* by William J. Carter**

This course will be led by Rev. Bill Prentice pastor of Campville and Gibson Corners UMC.

This class is required for lay speaker certification. The early church knew what today's church is rediscovering: that Christians depend on God's spiritual gifts to provide the foundation for their ministry. Learn more about how your spiritual gifts support your lay servant ministries in this class.

***Lay Pastoral Care Giving – Pastoral Care Giving* by Tim Farabaugh**

This course is led by Rev. Gary Freeland pastor of Flemingville & Fairfield UMC

This course offers insights into the life span and the dynamics of contemporary life to help church leaders reach out with God's love and care to others.

**Evening Classes – Time: 5:30 to 9 pm, May 8<sup>th</sup> and 6 – 9 pm May 9<sup>th</sup> & May 10<sup>th</sup>.**

***Music in Worship:*** This course will be led by Diane Kofahl. **Book** – to be determined

***Go Preach***

This course will be led by Pastor Paul Reed pastor of Little Meadows UMC

**Book: Go Preach! A Primer for Beginning Preachers” - John P. Gilbert**

This book offers practical tips for persons who are called on to preach occasionally but who are not formally trained as pastors. Gilbert includes just enough theory to support the practice. A bibliography provides specific suggestions for readers wishing to explore preaching in more detail.

(Required if seeking lay speaker certification)

## **Owego UMC**

261 Main Street, Owego, NY 13827

**Basics Class** – Led by Rev. Viki Andrews and Renee Gaylord

Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, April, 19<sup>th</sup>

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Books are available at the District Office 748-0662