

LSM Advanced Course Spring 2026
Effective Leaders Lead from their Spiritual Centers

START DATE: April 8-May 13, 2026 (*Wednesdays*) 6-8:00P

PLACE: Phoenix 1st UMC, 49 Jefferson St., Phoenix NY

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Course Description

A practical guide for leadership in the new millennium. The author invites us to explore the difference between self-improvement and the unfolding of the Spirit. *Self-improvement can be easily measured by prescribed outcomes and goals; it asks for perfection. The work of the Spirit does not call for perfection, but for a journey." Central to church and secular leadership is the nurturing and formation of one's spirit....a spirit intricately woven throughout our relationship with God, who is our Divine Center."* ~ Patrica Brown quote.

Text: *Learning to Lead from Your Spiritual Center*, Patricia Brown 1996, Abingdon Press. Available through: Amazon; Biblio.com; Thriftbooks.com; Abebooks.com; Walmart.com (as of Jan 25th)

Course Requirements:

1. Send REGISTRATION with fee to Bob Mueller, Mueller915@yahoo.com by **March 1, 2026**
2. Read chapters 1-3 before April 1.
3. Complete and submit pre-course work to dianed7246@gmail.com no later than April 1. Pre-course work assignment will be sent to registrants by March 7th.
4. Open to all laity 18 years or older who are interested in learning more how leadership can be a spiritual quest. The curriculum will address these questions:
 - How can I be a Spirit-centered leader in the midst of struggle and conflict?
 - How can I keep myself spiritually healthy so I can bring good and not harm to those I serve?
 - How can I share these new practices with others?

CEU's – certification for 12 contact hours available for Lay Servants who need them to qualify for re-certification.