

## Registration Information

### REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

**November 1, 2025**

*Payment must be made by check.  
No other forms of payment will be accepted.*

**MAKE \$25 CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**  
**Upper New York Annual Conference**  
**(UNYAC)**

**Please complete and return the attached  
registration form and payment to:**

*Cora M Martin, Co-Director  
Cornerstone District  
Lay Servant Ministries Committee  
3250 West Five Mile Road  
Allegany, NY 14706*

*or*

*E-mail: [cm9668@aol.com](mailto:cm9668@aol.com)  
(check can be brought to training)*

**YOU MUST BE PAID IN FULL  
ON DAY OF TRAINING.**

*Cornerstone District  
Lay Servant Ministries*

*Cora Martin, Co-Director  
[cm9668@aol.com](mailto:cm9668@aol.com)  
Pastor Craig Buelow, Co-Director  
[pcbuelow@gmail.com](mailto:pcbuelow@gmail.com)*

*Rev. Mary Kelly  
District Superintendent*

## Registrants

**It is your responsibility to order  
and read the text and any other  
material before class.**

*It is suggested that material  
be ordered at least 3 weeks prior to  
training. Your instructor will notify  
you of any other  
assignment(s) or material(s)  
required.*

*Attendance is required for the  
**entire 10 hours** of course time.*

*Materials can be purchased  
through The Upper Room or Amazon*

*Class size may be limited.  
Undersubscribed classes  
may be cancelled.*

## Schedule

Friday November 7<sup>th</sup> 6-8 ZOOM  
Friday November 14<sup>th</sup> 6-8 ZOOM

In Person @ KonXions UMC  
7 Park Circle, Belmont, NY

Saturday - November 22, 2025  
8:30-9:00AM Gather / Coffee Hour

9:00AM-12:00PM Class

12:00PM-1:00PM Lunch

1:00PM-4:00PM Class

4:00PM-4:45PM Worship &  
Dismissal



## Cornerstone District Holiday Edition 2025 Lay Servant Training

Friday, November 7, 2025 Zoom 6-8  
Friday, November 14, 2025 Zoom 6-8  
Saturday, November 22, 2025

Registration deadline: **November 1, 2025**  
Registration not guaranteed after deadline.



Hosted by:

KonXions UMC  
7 Park Circle  
Belmont, NY

*Handicap Accessible*



# Course Descriptions

## AFIRE WITH GOD

This course helps participants develop a holistic understanding of stewardship. Stewardship is a dirty word in most churches. Pastors preach about it knowing they must, while members sit uncomfortably through the "it's-that-time-again" sermons and other appeals. Church members need to be encouraged to go beyond thinking in terms of dollars contributed to see stewardship as becoming living examples of the gospel.

Required text: *Afire with God* by Betsy Schwarzentraub (Participant's book)

Leader - Dr. Rev. Stephen Crowell  
KonXions and Wellsville UMC

## LEADING WORSHIP

This course focuses on the ministry of the lay servant who either regularly or occasionally leads a group or congregation in worship.

Required text: *Worshipping with United Methodists (Revised)* by Hoyt Hickman (Participant's book)

Leader - Leslie Haggstrom, Lay/Worship Leader

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## FRESH EXPRESSIONS OF FAITH

This course invites participants to discover the power of "third places" and the ministry of presence. It will rekindle hearts to engage people beyond church walls with the love of Jesus Christ. "Fresh Expressions" are new communities or extensions of current ones that become new forms of life in Jesus Christ through prayer and the movement of the Holy Spirit. Remembering discipleship always starts with relationships.

Required texts: (1) *Fresh Expressions: A New Kind of Methodist Church For People Not In Church* by Kenneth H. Carter Jr and Audrey Warren and (2) *Fresh Expressions United Methodist: A Distinctly Wesleyan Spirit-Led Movement Of New Christian Communities That Serve the Present Age* by Michael Adam Beck (Participant's books)

Leader - Pastor Craig Buelow, Northern KonXions / Crossings NFC

## LAY PASTORAL CARE GIVING

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.

Required text: *Lay Pastoral Care Giving* by Tim Farabaugh (Participant's book)

Leader - Retired Rev. Geraldine Rapino, Dunkirk UMC, Forestville UMC

REGISTRATION FORM  
HOLIDAY EDITION 2025  
NOVEMBER 7, 14 & 22  
LAY SERVANT TRAINING

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November 1, 2025  
(Please print)

NAME

STREET ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

TELEPHONE

EMAIL

YOUR CHURCH

PLEASE CHECK THE COURSE FOR WHICH  
YOU ARE REGISTERING.

ALL FULL DAY CLASSES COST \$25/PERSON  
AND INCLUDES LUNCH AND BREAK  
REFRESHMENTS

\_\_\_\_\_ AFIRE WITH GOD

\_\_\_\_\_ FRESH EXPRESSIONS OF FAITH

\_\_\_\_\_ LAY PASTORAL CARE GIVING

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