

Registration Information

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

March 27, 2026

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: cmm9668@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
cmm9668@aol.com
Pastor Craig Buelow, Co-Director
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 April 10th 6-8 ZOOM
Friday April 17th 6-8 ZOOM

In Person @ Springville First UMC
474 East Main Street
Springville, NY

Saturday - April 25, 2026
8:30-9:00AM Gather/Coffee Hour

9:00AM-12:00PM Class

12:00PM-12:30PM Lunch

12:30PM-3:30PM Class

3:30PM Worship & Dismissal



Cornerstone/Niagara Frontier District 2026 Spring Lay Servant Training

Friday, April 10, 2026 Zoom 6-8
Friday, April 17, 2026 Zoom 6-8
Saturday, April 25, 2026

Registration deadline: **March 27, 2026**
Registration not guaranteed after deadline.



Hosted by:

Springville First UMC
474 East Main Street
Springville, NY

Handicap Accessible



Course Descriptions

INTRODUCTION TO LAY MINISTRY: THE BASIC COURSE

This course is the foundation for all courses in lay servant ministries. Participants are encouraged to discover & employ personal spiritual gifts as God intended and to consider the importance of exercising servant leadership, developing future leaders, remaining rooted in consistent spiritual practices and being part of a group that holds members accountable in their discipleship.

Required text: *Introduction to Lay Ministry: The BASIC Course* by Sandy Zeigler Jackson and Brian Jackson. (Participant's book)

Co-Leaders - Susan Hardy, Certified Lay Speaker, District Lay Leader-Cornerstone District and Cathie Phelps

MISSION POSSIBLE 3: LAY SERVANTS LEADING AND GOVERNING CONGREGATIONS WITH SIMPLIFIED ACCOUNTABLE STRUCTURE

Clergy and laity are set free to lead with full accountability to Jesus' Great Commission and the Charge Conference of the congregation.

Required text: *Mission Possible 3+- A Simple Structure for Missional Effectiveness* by Kay Kotan and Blake Bradford (Participant's book)

Leader: Pastor Craig Buelow, Northern KonXions / Crossings NFC

Course Descriptions

FOR THE COMMON GOOD: DISCOVERING AND USING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS

This course offers a scriptural understanding of spiritual gifts as always given "for the common good." By helping participants identify and link their gifts, abilities, and sense of calling, laity will learn the powerful connection between spiritual gifts and vocational discernment in the context of the mission of their local church; how to make spiritual gifts discernment a part of their congregations' culture and commitment to equip mission-focused leaders.

Required text: *For the Common Good: Discovering and Using Your Spiritual Gifts* by Christine Harman (Participant's book)

Leader - Joe Kwiatkowski, Lay/Worship Leader

TRANSFORMING EVANGELISM

This course leads participants to learn from John Wesley how to practice relational evangelism. They will discover that evangelism involves not only sharing our faith with others, but also welcoming people into a community where they can grow in faith.

Required text: *Transforming Evangelism* by Henry H. Knight III and F. Douglas Powe, Jr. (Participant's book)

Leader - Retired Pastor Cheryl Brown

**REGISTRATION FORM
SPRING 2026
APRIL 10, 17 & 25
LAY SERVANT TRAINING**

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March 27, 2026
(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

_____ THE BASIC COURSE

_____ FOR THE COMMON GOOD

_____ MISSION POSSIBLE 3

_____ TRANSFORMING EVANGELISM

Dietary/Handicap Needs _____