



To: Greenville District Lay Servants

From: Ken Moore, LSM District Director

Subject: Spring 2024 Greenville District LSM School

Date: 15 March 2024

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Greenville District Lay Servant Ministry is pleased to announce that registration for our Spring 2024 Lay Servant Ministry School is now open. Descriptions of the courses being offered during this school as well as details on the school are provided below. We have limited space in each course, so register early in order to guarantee your first choice. Please send the completed registration form to the indicated address no later than April 15, 2024. The registration form **must** be signed by your pastor to be accepted. Include your registration fee (check or money order) made out to the Conference Treasurer and noted for Greenville District LSM 2024 Spring School Registration.

## **SCHOOL DATES**

Saturday, April 27: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM; Lunch provided.

Saturday, May 4: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM; Lunch provided; Closing at 3:10 PM

Book Pickup Dates: April 7, 3 – 4 PM at St. Matthew UMC

April 10, 7 – 8 PM at St. Matthew UMC

April 14, 3 – 4 PM at St. Matthew UMC

April 21, 4:30 – 5:30 at Advent UMC – Simpsonville

## **SCHOOL LOCATION**

St. Matthew UMC, 701 Cleveland St., Greenville, SC 29601

You **must** participate in a minimum of 10 hours of classroom contact time to receive a certificate, i.e. you must attend both days. Lay Servants must complete a course at least once every three years to remain certified. Scholarships are available for anyone needing help with the registration fee.

Reading assignments to be completed before the first class meeting will be handed out at book pickup.

No confirmation is sent if you get your first choice.

## **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**Basic** – This course is foundational for all courses in Lay Servant Ministries. Participants are encouraged to discover and 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.

Instructor: Markylena Tolbert-Wydman

**Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts** – This course helps participants understand spiritual gifts and how the church can use them to fulfill its mission and ministry. Participants will also learn what it means to be a spiritual leader and will be equipped to lead others in exploring and using their spiritual gifts.

Instructor: Catherine Kilpatrick

**Leading Worship** – This course focuses on basic worship leadership skills for the lay servant who either regularly or occasionally leads a group or congregation in worship. Participants will learn how to lead worship that is relevant and inclusive, offering communion with God and neighbor.

Instructor: Ken Moore

**Justice in Everyday Life** – This course looks at the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church. The Social Principles are a prayerful and thoughtful effort on the part of many General Conferences to speak to complex issues in the global community. Participants will be encouraged to examine their own approach to the topics included in the Social Principles and to deepen their discipleship.

Instructor: Laurie Fite

**Sacraments: Means of Grace** – This course focuses on the key insights of the Rev. Beth Galbreath regarding the two books on our sacramental life: *By Water and the Spirit* (Baptism) and *This Holy Mystery* (Communion), by the late Gayle Carlton Felton. This is a new course combining content from the separate online courses on Baptism and Communion available at [beadisciple.com](http://beadisciple.com).

Instructor: Tony Snyder

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact me by phone or text at 864-288-8311 or by e-mail at [kmoore8311@outlook.com](mailto:kmoore8311@outlook.com).

We look forward to a dynamic and spirit filled school so make plans to join with us. This is an exciting opportunity to grow in your walk with Christ and enjoy fellowship with fellow Christians.

Peace and Joy,

*Kenneth D. Moore*

Ken Moore

## Application - Spring 2024 Greenville District LSM School

**Instructions:** Application must be completely filled out and returned with your check or money order for \$35.00. Make check or money order payable to “**Conference Treasurer**” and noted for *Greenville District LSM 2024 Spring School Registration*. **DO NOT** send cash. Scholarships are available for anyone needing help with the registration fee.

Mail application with payment to: Ken Moore  
20 Breckenridge Ct.  
Greenville SC 29615

### **Please clearly PRINT the following information:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (\_\_\_\_)-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_ Charge \_\_\_\_\_

My photo can be used to promote Lay Servant Ministry: Yes or No (Circle one)

Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Pastors Name \_\_\_\_\_

Pastors Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Other than first time Basic Students please number the courses in order of interest as we have limited spaces. Additional course description is provided in the cover letter. You will be contacted if your first choice is not available for some reason. Otherwise, you only need to come to one of the book pickup opportunities – **no confirmation will be sent if you get your first choice.**

\_\_\_\_ Basic Course - This class is required of all new Lay Servants

\_\_\_\_ \*\* Discovering Our Spiritual Gifts – Understanding spiritual gifts and how to use them.

\_\_\_\_ \*\* Leading Worship – Learn basic worship leadership skills.

\_\_\_\_ \* Justice in Everyday Life – A look at the Social Principles.

\_\_\_\_ \* Sacraments: Means of Grace – Grow your understanding of baptism and communion.

\* = Advanced Course for continued certification as a Lay Servant.

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### **Deadline for returning your completed registration form is April 15, 2024.**

**Early Book Pickup** will be available for paid registrants at St. Matthew UMC (Greenville) on Sunday, April 7 and 14, between 3:00 and 4:00 PM, and on Wednesday, April 10, from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. Last chance early pickup will be on Sunday, April 21, 4:30 – 5:30 PM at Advent UMC in Simpsonville (2258 Woodruff Road). Please plan to stop by and get your materials as Instructors will be sending out homework to have prepared for the first class.

*Note: the times above are the only times to pick up your books prior to the start of the school. Mailing of books is possible but is strongly discouraged and requires an additional fee of \$5.00.*