



# Lay Servant Ministry Training

June 15, 2019

## First United Methodist Church of Goldthwaite

**“Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” For there is no difference between Jews and Gentiles—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”**

**How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And, how can they believe in the one whom they have not heard? And, how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And, how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”**

**Romans 10:11-15**

On Saturday, June 15, laity from all churches in the West District are invited to participate in the Basic or Advanced Courses for Lay Servant Ministry.

The Basic Course is the foundational course to acquaint laity with their spiritual gifts, John Wesley doctrine, organization, and ministries of the church. This course focuses on the many ways Lay Servants are called to be in ministry through Caring, Leading, and Communicating.

The Advanced Course focuses on the ministry of the Lay Servant who either regularly or occasionally leads a group, class, organization, or the congregation in worship. A Certified Lay Servant is laity who completed the Basic Course and the Advanced Course. Certified Lay Servants are to serve within and beyond the local church. To continue to be a Certified Lay Servant, you must complete an Advanced Course every three years.

Therefore, Lay Ministry Training—Basic and Advanced—are being offered Saturday, June 15 at FUMC Goldthwaite, 1011 Hutchings St., with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Registration Form: Fee \$25.00 per person, includes book, lunch and refreshments

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

Church: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes to Pulpit Supply      \_\_\_\_\_ Local      \_\_\_\_\_ Certified      Cash/Check: # \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE WEST DISTRICT OFFICE.



**West District Lay Ministry Training**  
**Saturday, June 15, 2019**  
**Basic and Advanced Courses**  
**First United Methodist Church**  
**1011 Hutchings St., Goldthwaite, Texas**

**Basic Course: \$25.00** Led by: Rev. Mark Smith, San Saba First United Methodist Church  
Rev. Tim Birkner, Star / Center City United Methodist Churches

The Basic Course focuses on the many ways Lay Servants are called to be in ministry through such things as preaching, leading, teaching, serving, proclaiming the gospel, disciple-making, storytelling, and growing through personal spiritual formation. Purposes include caring, leading, and communicating.

**Advanced Course: \$25.00** Led by: Rev. John Alsbrooks, Goldthwaite First United Methodist Church  
"Leading Worship" This Advanced Course is grounded in the classic patterns of Christian worship and the practices of leading worship. (A Book of Worship is recommended. Pre-registration is highly recommended so you can have the book, *"Worshiping with United Methodists"* by Hoyt L. Hickman, to read prior to the beginning of the course.)

Sessions are open to anyone interested in learning about Lay Ministry. To be a Certified Lay Servant you must complete the Basic Course and the Advanced Course. To continue your certification, you must complete an advanced course every 3 years. Please contact Amy at the West District Office, (325)486-1500 or westamy@suddenlinkmail.com, to pre-register or come by the District Office at 1315 S. Abe Street OR First UMC Goldthwaite to pay and pick up a copy of the book.

<b>Schedule:</b>	8:30 a.m.	Registration / Refreshments
	8:45 a.m.	Morning Worship
	9:00 a.m.	Basic and Advanced Courses
	Noon	Lunch
	12:30 p.m.	Alleluia!
	12:45 p.m.	Basic and Advanced Courses continue
	3:30 p.m.	Closing Worship

**Items to Bring:** Bible, Notebook, Writing Instruments,  
Book of Worship recommended for Advanced Course

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