“UM Polity & Organization” focuses on the method and structure used by The United Methodist Church to fulfill its mission.

Why does the United Methodist Church do things the way it does? Why is our pastor being reassigned? Why don’t we get to vote on our new pastor? How do we get things done, like renovating our building or starting a new ministry? What are the rules – and why are they the rules? What does any of this have to do with trying to be a place and a people that embody the Kingdom of God?

Course Books Provided

The Method of Our Mission:
United Methodist Polity & Organization
by Laceye C. Warner

Let’s Go Fishing:
United Methodist Handbook

The Sermons of John Wesley
“Catholic Spirit” (Sermon 39)

ONE DAY
SATURDAY CLASS
Oct 10

8:00 A.M. Registration
8:30 A.M. Devotions
8:45 A.M. Class
4:30 p.m. Conclusion

A continental breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided.

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For persons wishing to teach this material as a lay servant instructor or for persons wishing to use this material as part of a confirmation or new member class, we also offer:

“Leading a UM Polity Class”
Practical guidance in teaching
November 7, 2015
REGISTRATION

Please register online at this link

http://tinyurl.com/OCT10POLITY

Use special code “Scholarship15” to request a scholarship that will reduce the cost to $30.

If you prefer not to use online registration, please use the US Mail tear off page.

Strict Registration Deadline

September 1, 2015

Course Requirements

A training academy is designed primarily with the rigor required of persons who will lead or train others. Homework is required. Full time participation is required for credit.

Any United Methodist may participate in this training to strengthen their leadership skills and discipleship journey.

When combined with the basic lay servant class, this training meets the advanced requirement should persons apply to become a certified lay servant or renew their designation as a certified lay servant.

This training is also one of the classes required for consideration to become a lay speaker.

Refunds

Cancellations made in writing more than one full week prior to the event receive total cost less a $5.00 fee. If a cancellation is not made in writing or in time, there will be no refund.

Supplies

You must borrow, download or purchase a copy of The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church, 2012.

Please bring the Book of Discipline, a Bible, writing materials, textbook(s) for the course and your completed homework.

Textbook(s), homework assignments, and any other necessary materials will be mailed upon receipt of the registration.

Course Location

East Ohio Area Center
8800 Cleveland Ave NW
North Canton, OH 44720

(note that North Canton is different than Canton when using GPS or Google Maps)

Course Topics

The Connectional Principle
The Episcopal Principle
Working Together Locally and Globally
Beyond Annual Conference
For Such a Time as This

Allan Bevere, Instructor
& Steve Court, Instructor