

PRAIRIE SOUTH SPRING 2025 LAY ACADEMY



Sat., March 29th

8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sat., April 5th

8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost \$40

Youth may attend at no cost as long as they are accompanied by an adult taking a class

Mendota: First UMC 100 East 6th Street, Mendota

Class Options: (one course per academy)

- 1 Life Together in the United Methodist Connection (United Methodist Polity):** An overview of the structure and organization of the United Methodist Church.
Book: *Polity, Practice and The Mission of the United Methodist Church* by Thomas Edward Frank
Instructor: Peggy Hansen
- 2 Leading Public Prayer:** This course will help the participant grow in confidence and skill in public prayer and enhance their prayer life.
Book: *Shaping the Prayers of the People: The Art of Intercession* by Samuel Wells and Abigail Kocher
Instructor: Raleigh Shifflette
- 3 Congregational Care Ministry:** Equips participants with tools for deep listening and grows their capacity to care in difficult situations of loss - all within healthy boundaries and thoughtful awareness.
Book: *The Caring Congregation Ministry: Implementation Guide* by Karen Lampe & Melissa Gepford
Instructor: Pastor Buzz Wheeler
- 4 Ministry With the Forgotten: Dementia Through a Spiritual Lens:** Helps laity and clergy deepen their understanding of persons living with dementia.
Book: *Ministry with the Forgotten: Dementia through a Spiritual Lens*, by Kenneth L. Carder
Instructor: Janet Becker
- 5 For the Common Good: Discovering and Using Your Spiritual Gifts:** Helps participant identify and link their gifts, abilities, and sense of calling.
Book: *For the Common Good: Discovering and Using Your Spiritual Gifts* by Christine Harman
Instructor: Clifford Peddicord

All books may be purchased at your favorite bookseller.
All class times must be attended to receive course credit.

QUESTIONS?

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Register Online:

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