



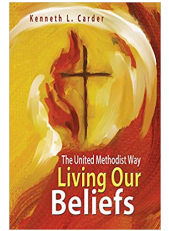
# Southwest District Laity Training Event

## CHRIST'S COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### 2700 E 44TH ST, JOPLIN MO

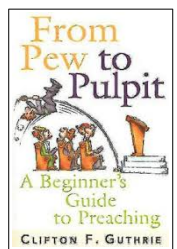
### OCT 13, 2018 / 8:30AM - 3:30PM

**United Methodist Heritage:** This course explores the spiritual gifts of theology, witness and organization that the United Methodist Church brings to the church universal, how we got where we are today, and how our distinctive emphases are still needed in the 21st century. Students will gain an understanding of the distinctive traditions and emphases of the United Methodist Church. Class facilitator is Bob Beaver, Director of Lay Servant Ministries. Course Book: "Living Our Beliefs," Kenneth L. Carder. This is a required course for Certified Lay Speakers.

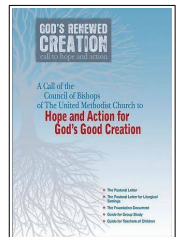


**Lay Preaching:** The church needs good preaching. This course focuses on the principles of lay speaking, including sermon preparation, delivery and Scripture study in preparation for preaching. Student will read "From Pew to Pulpit" prior to the Saturday session and complete the provided assignment. Even if you never fill a pulpit, the lessons will teach you how to prepare and present a witness or message of faith. Class facilitator is Mitch Ross, Southwest District Lay Leader.

Course Book: "From Pew to Pulpit," by Clifton F. Guthrie.



**Disciples Called to Do Climate Justice:** God's creation is in crisis. Despite the ways we all contribute to the crisis, God still invites each of us to participate in his work of renewal. This course examines Scripture and our Wesleyan heritage and experience related to caring for God's people and God's planet. It explores examples of our climate crisis, UMC positions, and actions to disrupt it. Class facilitator is Cheryl Marcum, Missouri Conference EarthKeeper. Course reading: "God's Renewed Creation: Call to Hope and Action," Council of Bishops of the UMC, and The Natural World: Social Principles and selected Resolutions of the United Methodist Church; download at Southwest District <http://swdistrict.org/laity-training-event-13-oct-at-christs-community-umc/>



**REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT ARE DUE BY: Sep 28, 2018, Class fee is \$10**

Lunch and in-class materials will be provided. You must purchase your own book.

1. Complete your registration (see form below).
2. Mail the registration and check by Sep 27.
3. Order (and read!) the book. Find book title or link above for your specific class.

For more information contact Bob Beaver, [tuckerbob@at.com](mailto:tuckerbob@at.com) or Mitch Ross, [mitch.ross@windstream.net](mailto:mitch.ross@windstream.net)

#### Lay Servant Ministry Class Registration

Mail to: Southwest District Office  
2517 E. 20th Street  
Joplin, MO 64804

Check  your selected class:  United Methodist Heritage;  Lay Preaching;  Disciples Called to Do Climate Justice.  
PLEASE PRINT:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

(Check enclosed \$10, made payable to Southwest District)