

**Lay Servant Ministries** challenges participants to grow in their faith by exploring, learning, and developing skills to serve Christ in their local church and beyond. Ephesians 4:11-12 says *“The gifts he (Christ) gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the Body of Christ.”* Through the Lay Servant Ministries, we seek to fulfill the divine call to build up the Body of Christ through teaching and equipping disciples to serve in their local church and beyond. We are growing disciples!

**Basic Lay Servant Class** In this introductory course you will be 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. This class offers guidelines for best practices as a church leader and in mission and ministry in the community and in daily life. *(The United Methodist Book of Discipline recommends that all church Lay Leaders take this class.)*

**Lay Servants Preaching** designed for those who have not completed formal preaching training, for those seeking a basic refresher course, and for others who are called upon to preach in a pastor’s absence.

**The Spirit & Art of Conflict Resolution** Every church deals with conflict, both healthy and unhealthy, and lay servants can be equipped and empowered to help lead through those times of conflict as a time of transformation.

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## Atlanta College Park District Lay Servant Ministries

### 2020 Spring Classes

The following classes will be offered at Central UMC  
501 Mitchell Street SW, Atlanta, GA 30314  
Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>  
from 8:30 am – 3 pm  
*Lunch will be provided*

All classes are \$40.00 which includes both sessions and all materials.  
Please note that participants must attend both sessions  
in order to graduate. Please check the class you wish to take.

#### **Basic Lay Servant Class**

*Note: Participant must have Pastor’s recommendation.*

#### **Advanced Class: “Lay Servants Preaching”**

*Note: Participant must have completed Basic to take this class.*

#### **Advanced Class: “The Spirit & Art of Conflict Resolution”**

*Note: Participant must have completed Basic to take this class.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Church: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

You may register online at <https://www.eiseverywhere.com/522851>  
or

**Checks and registration information should be mailed to:  
Atlanta College Park District  
600 W. Peachtree Street NW, Suite 1500  
Atlanta, GA 30308**

Please make checks payable to “Atlanta College Park District”  
with the name of the class written on the memo line.

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