

# From Your Heart to Theirs: Delivering and Effective Sermon



Offered by the  
Altoona District  
Lay Servant Ministry Committee  
2022-2023

Moving beyond the basics of public speaking and the foundations necessary for preparing an engaging sermon, this course also includes types of sermons—from exegetical to topical to children’s sermons—as well as how to find a story, how to use the hymnal, and how to move from communication on paper to beyond the paper. This course meets the following requirements:

- ✓ “Preaching” Course for Certified Lay Speakers
- ✓ “One-Class-Every-Year” for Certified Lay Ministers
- ✓ “One-Class-Every-Three-Years” for Certified Lay Servants and Certified Lay Speakers

All Lay Servant Classes are open to all who want to deepen their faith—both laity and clergy.

All 5 Regular Sessions will be conducted in-person at First UMC, Hollidaysburg, 801 Allegheny St, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648, from 6p-8p. A Certificate of Completion will not be issued until all 5 Sessions have been completed.

1. November 2<sup>nd</sup>
2. November 9<sup>th</sup>
3. November 16<sup>th</sup>
4. November 30<sup>th</sup>
5. December 7<sup>th</sup>

Contact the Course Leader, The Rev. John Godissart, with any questions via email at [jgodissart@susumc.org](mailto:jgodissart@susumc.org).

Registration Fee: \$35/person (1.0 CEU)

Required Text to be purchased by student: *From Your Heart to Theirs: Delivering an Effective Sermon* by Tony Franks and David Carroll, available at [cokebury.com](http://cokebury.com) and [amazon.com](http://amazon.com), ISBN: 978-0-88177-536-5.

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Registration Form, Instructor: The Rev. John Godissart

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name for Certificate of Completion: \_\_\_\_\_

Best Phone  Cell  Landline: \_\_\_\_\_

Alt. Phone  Cell  Landline: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Preferred Contact Method:  Cell  Landline  Email

District: \_\_\_\_\_

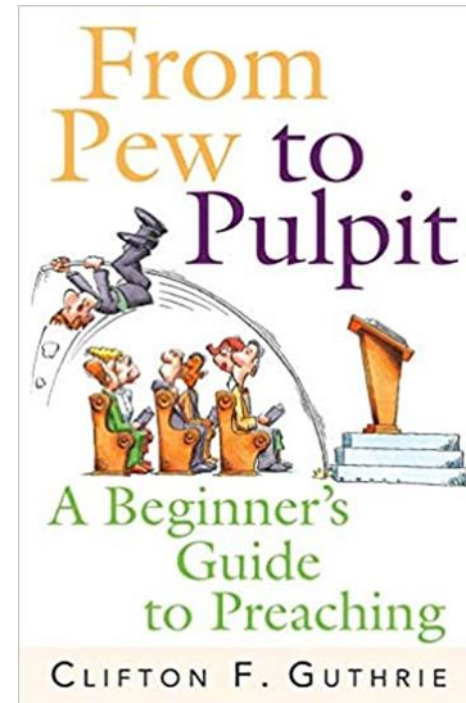
Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration deadline: Monday, October 31st

Mail course fee (\$35) payable to “Altoona District UMC” and registration form to:

Altoona District Office  
1381 Plank Road, Suite 104  
Duncansville, PA 16635-8458



## Called to Preach



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This Course is the foundational preaching course for Certified Lay Servants and Certified Lay Speakers. Participants will gain knowledge from claiming your Call to Proclaiming, and Responding to, God’s Word.

This course meets the following requirements:

- ✓ “Preaching” Course for Certified Lay Speakers
- ✓ “One-Class-Every-Year” for Certified Lay Ministers
- ✓ “One-Class-Every-Three-Years” for Certified Lay Servants and Certified Lay Speakers

All Lay Servant Classes are open to all who want to deepen their faith—both laity and clergy.

All 5 Regular Sessions will be conducted in-person at the Newton-Hamilton United Methodist Church, 169 Church St., Mt. Union, PA 17066 from 6p-8p.

1. October 4<sup>th</sup>            *Claiming the Call to Preach*
2. October 18<sup>th</sup>        *Text and Context*
3. October 25<sup>th</sup>        *Finding a Focus*
4. November 1<sup>st</sup>        *Plan and Practice*
5. November 8<sup>th</sup>        *Proclamation and Response*
6. November 15<sup>th</sup>      If Needed

Contact the Course Leader, The Rev. Fred Hickok, with any questions via email at fhickok@susumc.org.

Registration Fee: \$35/person (1.0 CEU)

Required Text to be purchased by student: *From Pew to Pulpit* by Clifton F. Guthrie available at cokesbury.com and amazon.com, ISBN: 978-0-687-06660-5.

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### Registration Form

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

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

Preferred Contact Method:  Cell  Landline  Email

District: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Name of Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration deadline: Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>

Mail course fee (\$35) payable to “Altoona District UMC” and registration form to:

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**GROW!**

Living as Spiritual  
Transformational Leaders



Offered by the  
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2022-2023

This Course challenges you to grow in your spiritual life and ministry setting by addressing best practices for leading in these times between what used to work and what we don't know will work yet.

This 8-week course meets the following requirements: "One Course Every Three Years" for Certified Lay Servants and Certified Lay Speakers; "One Course Every Year" for Certified Lay Ministers; "Basic Course" for new Certified Lay Servants and Certified Lay Speakers.

Sessions 1-4 focus on development of leadership practices.

1. November 3, Practicing the Presence—Staying in Love with God
2. November 10, A Generous Gratitude— Gratitude and Extravagant Generosity
3. November 17, Discipleship as Relationship— Inviting Others into Discipleship Relationships
4. December 1, Living as Spiritual Transformational Leaders— Personal Discernment, Vision, Strategic Focus

Sessions 5-8 look more closely at personal leadership within community.

5. January 5, Change Makers (for God)
6. January 12, Mentors that Multiply
7. January 19, Reach: Love in Witness and Action
8. January 26, Community and Collaboration in the Commons

Each session is conducted simultaneously in-person at Greenwood UMC, 1505 E. Walton Avenue, Altoona, and online via ZOOM, from 6p-8p.

Course Leaders: Pastors Duane Coy, Denise Haskins, Calvin Miller, and Mr. Ken Bodle, Altoona District Lay Leader

Registration Fee: \$35/person (1.6 CEUs)

Required Texts (to be purchased by student and read in advance of appropriate session):

Simple Harmony by Larry Duggins (session 1)

Hero Maker by Dave Ferguson and Warren Bird (session 6)

Witness Your Why by Jeremy Scott (sessions 7-8)

Questions? Contact Calvin Miller, [cmiller@susumc.org](mailto:cmiller@susumc.org) or 814-470-2713, call or text.

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Name of Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration deadline: October 31, 2022

Mail course fee (\$35) payable to "Susquehanna Conference— Altoona District" and registration form to:

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Make-up Sessions will be via ZOOM at a date and time determined by the Course Leader and the Course Participant