

School of Ministry 2023-2024 Courses

Core Courses of the School of Ministry (35 contact hours)

- Global Methodist History, Tradition, and Polity (5 hours)
 - Instructor: Rev. Dr. Chappell Temple
 - Course Materials:
 - Abraham, W. (2019). *Methodism: A very short introduction*. Oxford University Press.
 - *Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline of the Global Methodist Church*, available as download from globalmethodist.org

- Wesleyan Theology (5 hours)
 - Instructor: Rev. Dr. Richard Heyduck
 - Course Materials:
 - Tallon, P. (2016). *The absolute basics of the Christian faith*. Seedbed Publishing.
 - Selections from John Wesley provided by the instructor

- Mission and Evangelism (5 hours)
 - Instructor: Rev. Dr. John Robert Black
 - Course Materials:

- Basics of Preaching (5 hours)
 - Instructors: Rev. Jason Huffman and Rev. Dr. Tim Turner
 - Course Materials:
 - Alcántara, J. E. (2019). *The practices of Christian preaching: Essentials for effective proclamation*. Baker Academic, a division of Baker Publishing Group.

- Self-Leadership and Soul Care in Ministry (5 hours)
 - Instructor: Rev. Dr. Janice Gilbert
 - Course Materials:
 - Barton, R. R. (2018). *Strengthening the soul of your leadership: Seeking God in the crucible of ministry* (Expanded edition). IVP Books, an imprint of InterVarsity Press.
 - Optional:
 - *The Gift of Being Yourself* by David G. Benner
 - *Invitation to Retreat* by Ruth Haley Barton

- Leadership in Biblical Studies (5 hours)
 - Instructors: Rev. Dr. Tim Turner and Rev. Jason Huffman
 - Course Materials:
 - McNall, J. (2018). *Long story short: The Bible in six simple movements*. Seedbed Publishing.
 - Video: “The Bible As Literature with David Grubbs,” Seedbed Seven Minute Seminary: <http://seedbed.com/BibleAsLiterature>

- Video: “Can We Trust Bible Translations? with Bill Mounce,” Seedbed Seven Minute Seminary: <http://seedbed.com/translations>
 - Video: “Tips for Teaching the Bible with Brian D. Russell,” Seedbed Seven Minute Seminary: <http://seedbed.com/TeachingBible>
- Leading Spiritual Formation, Discipleship, and Catechesis (5 hours)
 - Instructor: Rev. Dr. John Wayne McMann
 - Course Materials:
 - Thompson, Andrew C. *The Means of Grace: Traditioned Practice in Today’s World*. Wilmore, KY: Seedbed Publishing, 2015.
 - *A Catechism of Christian Faith and Doctrine for The Global Methodist Church*. Franklin, TN: Seedbed Publishing, 2023.
 - McMann, John W. “Essential Office for Wesleyan Revival: The Class Leader (part 1 and 2). Firebrandmag.com, 2022.
 - Part 1: <https://firebrandmag.com/articles/an-essential-office-for-wesleyan-revival-the-class-leader-part-1>
 - Part 2: <https://firebrandmag.com/articles/an-essential-office-for-wesleyan-revival-the-class-leader-part-2>

Supply Pastor Track (15 additional contact hours beyond core courses)

- Leading Public Worship (5 hours) *(required only in Supply Pastor track)*
 - Instructor: Rev. Dr. Dan Hannon
 - Course Materials:
 - White, J. F. (2000). *Introduction to Christian worship* (3rd ed., rev.expanded). Abingdon Press.
 - *Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline of the Global Methodist Church*, available as download from globalmethodist.org (especially Part 1, Part 3, and Paragraph 912.9a on Local Church Usage)
 - Recommended:
 - *Our Great Redeemer’s Praise* hymnal by Seedbed
 - *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989 edition)
 - *The United Methodist Book of Worship* (2003 edition)
 - Optional:
 - *The Special Days and Seasons of the Christian Year: How They Came About and How They Are Observed By Christians Today*; by Pat Floyd; Jul 1, 1998.
 - *Psalms for All Seasons: A Complete Psalter for Worship*; by John D Witvliet, Martin Tel, et al.; Dec 14, 2011.
 - *Our Christian Symbols* by Friedrich Rest; The Pilgram’s Press; 1980.
 - *The Presbyterian Book of Common Worship*; 1993 Edition
 - *The Book of Common Prayer*
 - *Flow: The Ancient Way to Do Contemporary Worship*, by Ruth, Lester

- Pastoral Care (5 hours) *(required in Supply Pastor and Certified Lay Ministry tracks)*
 - Instructor: Rev. John Embry
 - Course Materials:
 - Peterson, S. B. (2008). *The indispensable guide to pastoral care*. Pilgrim Press.

- Leadership and Administration (5 hours) *(required in Supply Pastor and Ministry Director tracks)*
 - Instructor: Rev. Dr. Burt Palmer
 - Course Materials:
 - Part 3 of the Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline, available for download at <https://globalmethodist.org/what-we-believe/>
 - Straw, J., Davis, B., Scullard, M., Kukkonen, S., & Franklin, B. W. (2013). *The work of leaders: How vision, alignment, and execution will change the way you lead* (First edition). Jossey-Bass.
 - Optional:
 - Furr, N., & Furr, S. H. (2022). *The upside of uncertainty: A guide to finding possibility in the unknown*. Harvard Business School Publishing Corporation.
 - Heath, C., & Heath, D. (2010). *Switch: How to change things when change is hard* (1st ed). Broadway Books.
 - Maxwell, J. C. (2014). *15 invaluable laws of growth: Live them and reach your potential* (First trade edition). Center Street.

Certified Lay Ministry Track (CLM) (15 additional contact hours beyond core courses)

- Pastoral Care (5 hours) *(required in Supply Pastor and CLM tracks)*
 - (listed above)

- Small Group Facilitator Training (5 hours) *(required in Ministry Director and CLM tracks)*
 - Instructor: Rev. Enid Henderson
 - Course Materials:
 - Hartwig, R. T., Davis, C. W., & Sniff, J. A. (2020). *Leading small groups that thrive: Five shifts totake your small group to the next level*. Zondervan Reflective.
 - Optional:
 - Gladen, S. (2013). *Small groups with purpose: How to create healthy communities*. Baker Book House.

- Elective of Choice (choose any additional 5-hour course—no repeat courses) (5 hours)

Ministry Director Track(s) (15 additional contact hours beyond core courses)

- Best Practices of Specialized Ministry (5 hours) *(required only in Ministry Director track)*
 - Youth Ministry Instructor: Rev. Russell Martin
 - Course Materials:
 - DeVries, M. (2008). *Sustainable youth ministry: Why most youth ministry doesn't last and what your church can do about it*. IVP Books.

- Fields, D. (2002). *Your first two years in youth ministry: A personal and practical guide to starting right*. Youth Specialties Books published by Zondervan, Grand Rapids, MI.
 - Halverson, S. (2014). *One body: Integrating teenagers into the life of your church*. Youth Cartel.
 - Optional Suggested Reading:
 - Acuff, J., Acuff, L. E., & Acuff, M. (2022). *Your new playlist: The student's guide to tapping into the superpower of mindset*. Baker Books, a division of Baker Publishing Group.
 - Clark, C., & Clark, C. (2011). *Hurt 2.0: Inside the world of today's teenagers*. Baker Academic.
 - Dean, K. C. (2010). *Almost Christian: What the faith of our teenagers is telling the American church*. Oxford University Press.
 - Kinnaman, D., & Matlock, M. (2019). *Faith for exiles: 5 ways for a new generation to follow Jesus in digital Babylon*. Baker Books.
 - Morgan, B., & Scott, H. (2022). *The anxious teen: Ministry with stressed and fearful students*. The Youth Cartel.
 - Pace, S., & Pruitt, S. (2022). *Calling out the called: Discipling those called to ministry leadership*. B&H Books.
 - Powell, K. E., & Clark, C. (2011). *Sticky faith: Everyday ideas to build lasting faith in your kids*. Zondervan.
 - White, J. E. (2017). *Meet generation Z: Understanding and reaching the new post-Christian world*. Baker Books.
 - Children's Ministry Instructor: Jim Burns
 - Course Materials:
 - Group Publishing (Ed.). (2007). *Children's ministry in the 21st century*. Group Pub.
 - Lovaglia, D. (2016). *Relational children's ministry: Turning kid-influencers into lifelong disciple makers*. Zondervan.
- Small Group Facilitator Training (5 hours) (required in Ministry Director and CLM tracks)
 - (listed above)
- Leadership and Administration (5 hours) (required in Supply Pastor and Ministry Director tracks)
 - (listed above)

Intensive Week Schedule – October 2-6, 2023

- Breakfast is from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
- Morning Devotionals are 9:00 a.m. to 9:25 a.m.
- Morning Courses are 9:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
- Lunch is from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Afternoon Courses are 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Dinner is from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Evening Worship Services are from 7:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

- ***Monday, October 2, 2023***
 - Morning: Global Methodist History, Tradition, and Polity
 - Afternoon: Self-Leadership and Soul Care in Ministry

- ***Tuesday, October 3, 2023***
 - Morning: Wesleyan Theology
 - Afternoon: Basics of Preaching

- ***Wednesday, October 4, 2023***
 - Morning: Leadership in Biblical Studies
 - *Youth and Children Breakout*
 - Afternoon: Leading Spiritual Formation, Discipleship, and Catechesis
 - *Youth and Children Breakout*

- ***Thursday, October 5, 2023***
 - Morning: Mission and Evangelism
 - *Youth and Children Breakout*
 - Afternoon:
 - Leading Public Worship
 - Small Group Facilitator Training
 - *Youth and Children Separate*

- ***Friday, October 6, 2023***
 - Morning:
 - Leadership and Administration
 - *Youth and Children Separate*
 - CLM Workshop
 - Afternoon:
 - Pastoral Care
 - Best Practices of Specialized Ministry
 - *Youth and Children Separate*

Weekend Workshop Schedule – Saturdays in 2024

- ***Saturday, January 20, 2024 – Location: TBD***
 - Morning: Leadership and Administration
 - Afternoon: Self-Leadership and Soul Care in Ministry
 - Online Morning: Wesleyan Theology
 - Online Afternoon: Basics of Preaching

- ***Saturday, March 16, 2024 – Location: TBD***
 - Morning: Wesleyan Theology
 - Afternoon: Basics of Preaching
 - Online Morning: Leadership and Administration
 - Online Afternoon: Self-Leadership and Soul Care in Ministry

- ***Saturday, May 18, 2024 – Location: TBD***
 - Morning: **Global Methodist History, Tradition, and Polity**
 - Afternoon: Leading Spiritual Formation, Discipleship, and Catechesis
 - Online Morning: Mission and Evangelism
 - Online Afternoon: Leading Public Worship/Small Group Facilitator Training

- ***Saturday, August 24, 2024 – Location: TBD***
 - Morning: Mission and Evangelism
 - Afternoon: Leading Public Worship/Small Group Facilitator Training
 - Online Morning: **Global Methodist History, Tradition, and Polity**
 - Online Afternoon: Leading Spiritual Formation, Discipleship, and Catechesis

- ***Saturday, September 21, 2024 – Location: TBD***
 - Morning: **Leadership in Biblical Studies**
 - Afternoon: Pastoral Care
 - Online Morning: Pastoral Care
 - Online Afternoon: **Leadership in Biblical Studies**