



# School for Lay Ministry

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**To:** Class of 2021 - Des Moines Site  
**From:** Barb Mann, Registrar  
**RE:** March 2-3, 2019 Session  
**Topic:** Strategizing for Growth + Prayer Instruction Assignment  
**Faculty:** Rev. Dr. Katharine Yarnell, Executive Dir. Iowa United Methodist Foundation  
Rev. Dr. Jaye Johnson, Director of Congregational Excellence

**Reading Assignment:** Please purchase and read the following book:  
Connect! by Phil Maynard. The challenge is, this book is not on Amazon or Cokesbury. You have to buy it through Phil's website [www.emc3coaching.com](http://www.emc3coaching.com). Here is the link:

<https://emc3coaching.com/store#!/CONNECT-Creating-a-Culture-of-Relationships-That-Matter/p/71462683/category=3002>

**Written Assignment:**

Write a 1-2-page paper on what was interesting or surprising to you about the book.

Sign up for MissionInsite and run the reports for a 2-mile radius around your church. If you have any questions, contact Jaye Johnson ([jaye.johnson@iaumc.org](mailto:jaye.johnson@iaumc.org)) for help. See MissionInsite attachment that came with this cover email and posted on the SLM website.

**PERSONALITY INVENTORY**

The DiSC® Profile helps people understand how and why they are likely to behave in one way or another. The inventory is *not* a test. There are no right or wrong answers. Rather, the tool gives insight into the work styles of people and helps them work more effectively with others.

Students are asked to complete the inventory prior to class online at [www.pdiprofile.com](http://www.pdiprofile.com) and select **Register**. The Iowa Conference has contracted through Triaxia Partners for a reduced cost that is significantly below that of other providers. Students pay \$26.00 on the website for the cost of the survey. Please bring a copy of your completed inventory with you to class.

When ordering books from Cokesbury, go to [www.Cokesbury.com](http://www.Cokesbury.com) or call their toll-free number in Nashville 1-800-672-1789. Be sure to check out any special shipping options that are mentioned when ordering any books from Cokesbury. To cut down on the cost of these books, be sure to check with your pastor, SLM graduates, Barnes & Noble or other bookstores, seminary libraries, public libraries, Amazon.com, etc.

**Bring:** Please bring to class your favorite translation of the Bible and a journal or notebook for writing during reflective times.

**Worship Leaders:** Saturday Evening: Dorothy Henson  
Sunday Morning: Daniel Jaden

*Student-led worship is held at the end of the Saturday session and Sunday morning. Plan to devote about 10 minutes to a favorite Bible passage, a Bible story, a personal experience and/or your own faith journey. Feel free to bring items along to help you create the ambience you want: boom box, cassettes, CD's, props. If you are unable to lead devotions on your specified evening, please find another class member to trade with.*

**Location:** The United Methodist Conference Center is located at 2301 Rittenhouse Street in Des Moines. You will find directions at this link: <https://www.iaumc.org/directions>. On-site parking is available. Cars cannot park in the circle by the trash cans. If more parking is needed, you can park on the street. Classes will be held in the Wesley Hall Conference Rooms.

**Details:** Registration begins at 8 am Saturday morning with devotions following at 9 am; class begins at 9:15. Sunday begins at 8:30 am with devotions; class starts at 8:45. Sunday's session will close with communion at 11:30 and you'll be headed home by noon. Meals are served at the Conference Center. Please refer to the General Time Schedule on the [SLM Website](#) under Des Moines SLM Site for complete details.

**Tuition:** \$140 per class which covers the cost of speakers, facilities, handouts and two Saturday meals. You are responsible for costs associated with travel, lodging, books and breakfasts. *Make checks payable to the "Iowa Annual Conference"* and please pay when you register for classes on Saturday mornings.

**Lodging:** Make your reservations now! **Be sure to tell the three hotels listed below that you are with the United Methodist Conference Center.** It is your responsibility to reserve and pay for your own room. **Your reservations/expenses are not part of the Conference Center's direct bill.** The 3 hotels below are walking distance to the Conference Center.

**Doubletree Hotel Des Moines Airport** 6800 Fleur Drive, Des Moines 515-285-7777  
\$116 + tax (2019 rate) Free Breakfast Johnny's Steakhouse on-site

**Fairfield Inn & Suites Des Moines Airport** 6880 Fleur Drive, Des Moines 515-309-4444  
\$116 + tax (2019 rate) Free Breakfast

**Holiday Inn Des Moines Airport** 6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines 515-287-2400  
\$99 + tax (2019 rate) Free Breakfast

**NOTE:** *It's important that you ask for "Inhouse Reservations" when you contact the three hotels above, so you don't get transferred to the 800-phone number as those individuals won't know about our corporate rates.*

There are many motels along Fleur Drive that probably have lower rates so give yourself time to investigate before classes begin. Homewood Suites Airport, a new extended stay hotel, is on Fleur (7201 SW 22nd Street, Des Moines) and is a little farther from the Conf. Center but still in walking distance.

We look forward to seeing you at your upcoming session. Please contact John or Barb with any questions you may have.