



Great Plains UMC Online Learning

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Worship

Instructor

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Course Objectives

The Worship course is intended to help Certified Lay Ministry (CLM) students accomplish the following:

- Understand that designing and leading corporate worship is to be guided by the Holy Spirit.
- Gain knowledge of the elements and order of worship outlined in *The United Methodist Book of Worship*.
- Understand the importance of spiritual disciplines used in designing Spirit-led worship through Scripture, prayer, contemplation, other texts, singing.
- Develop practical applications for designing and leading thematic worship.

Online Meetings

- Class meets online each Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. (Central time) during the course.
- A high-speed internet connection and a webcam are highly recommended.

Course Textbooks

Required Texts for Purchase

Hickman, Hoyt L. *Worshipping With United Methodists: A Guide for Pastors and Church Leaders*. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2007. ISBN: 9780687335268

The United Methodist Book of Worship. Nashville: The United Methodist Publishing House, 1992.

Bible, multiple translations suggested.

Required Texts to Borrow or Purchase

The United Methodist Hymnal. Nashville: The United Methodist Publishing House, 1989.

The Faith We Sing. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2000.

Worship & Song, Leader's Edition. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2011. ISBN: 978-1-426-70994-4

Recommended Texts

Duck, Ruth C. *Worship for the Whole People of God: Vital Worship for the 21st Century*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2013. ISBN: 978-0-664-23427-0

Phillips, L. Edward and Sara Webb Phillips. *In Spirit and Truth: United Methodist Worship for the Emerging Church*. Akron, OH: OSL Publications, 2006. ISBN: 1-878009-53-2

Wallace, Robin Knowles. *Worshiping in the Small Membership Church*. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2008. ISBN: 978-0-687-65101-6

[*By Water and the Spirit: A United Methodist Understanding of Baptism*](#). PDF from General Board of Discipleship.

[*This Holy Mystery: A United Methodist Understanding of Holy Communion*](#). PDF from General Board of Discipleship.

Additional Resources

[oremus Bible Browser](#)

[Bible Gateway](#)

[General Board of Discipleship](#)

[United Methodist Worship Facebook Group](#): *A place to discuss, learn, and share resources for worship in The United Methodist Church* (This is a closed group. You must log into Facebook and join the group to see it.)

[United Methodist Worship Resources](#) from the General Board of Discipleship

[John Wesley's Sermons](#) at the General Board of Global Ministries

[The Text This Week](#)

[Hymnary](#): A site to search hymns and choral music

[Word to Worship](#): A site to search contemporary songs

The Abingdon Worship Annual. Nashville: Abingdon Press. Published annually.

The United Methodist Music & Worship Planner. Nashville: Abingdon Press. Published annually.