Canal District of the East Ohio Conference United Methodist Church

Theme: On the Road in Discipleship

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Saturday, January 28, 2017
9:00 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.
Wadsworth United Methodist Church
195 Broad Street
Wadsworth, Ohio 44281

We hope you can attend for the entire day, but if not, just come for the morning or just the afternoon. Each church pays one fee ($20) no matter how many attend. Lunch is $8 a person. So why not take advantage of this great offer! See last page for pre-registration form.

Keynote Speaker - Bishop Tracy S. Malone

Bishop Tracy S. Malone was assigned to the East Ohio Conference of The United Methodist effective September 1, 2016.

She was district superintendent of the Chicago Southern Region, and dean of the Northern Illinois Conference Cabinet, when she was elected to the Episcopacy. Prior to that appointment, Malone served several different churches, the last of which was Gary United Methodist Church in Wheaton, Illinois, where she was senior pastor.

She currently serves as president of the General Commission on the Status and Role of Women, and is a member of the Board of Trustees at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary. As resident bishop, she also serves on the Boards of Trustees at our United Methodist-affiliated colleges, seminaries and organizations in East Ohio.

Malone was elected to represent the Northern Illinois Conference as a delegate at General/Jurisdictional Conferences in 2004, 2008, 2012 and 2016. She was chairperson of the delegation in 2012, and served as chairperson of the Agenda and Calendar Committee in 2016.

During her ministry, Malone has taught courses as an adjunct professor at Aurora University and at Northern Baptist Seminary in Lombard, Illinois. She has also published articles, blogs and book reviews, and has written chapters for several books.

Born in Ann Arbor, Michigan and raised in Chicago, Illinois, Malone received her call to ministry at the early age of 13. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies and Sociology, with a minor in Computer Science, from North Central College in Naperville, Illinois, a Masters of Divinity from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois, and a Doctorate of Ministry from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio.

She and husband Derrick Malone are the parents of two daughters.
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9:00 - 9:25 am - Registration/Gathering, Coffee, Juice and Donuts
East Ohio Conference Media Center Display

9:30 - 10:40 am - Opening with Keynote Address by Bishop Malone

10:45 am - 12:15 pm - Morning Workshops - #101 - #108

► #101 - Slow Down - Conversation with Bishop Malone - An opportunity for questions and answers - Bishop Tracy S. Malone, Resident Bishop, East Ohio Conference

► #102 - Buckle Up - Get it in Gear - Harness the Power of what Drives Discipleship and Evangelism - Discussing the driving mechanisms that make discipleship actually work, and which thereby drives ALL the ministries of your church—this workshop describes how to effectively ENGAGE these mechanisms of habits, dispositions and reproductive systems as they work together to move the ministry down the road. Helps you get in the game and build your team, even if you’re starting with the Bad News Bears! - Chaplain Jim Lewis, PhD, Ohio Army National Guard, Spiritual Fitness resources

► #103 - Rest Stop - How to Experience God’s Presence on the Journey - We have been created with good desires to experience God on our life’s journey. The problem often lies in knowing how to experience God's presence on the journey. In this workshop we will learn how to create a holy pause in the activity of life to embrace spiritual disciplines that can help us discover God’s presence with us on every step of life’s journey. Rev. Keith McLaughlin, senior pastor, Northampton UMC

► #104 - Points of Interest - How Special Events Can Jump Start Spiritual Growth - a session highlighting how special events like retreats, camping, or mission trips can jump start spiritual growth. These ministry tools give the opportunity for life-long transformation; providing space to consider the most important issues of life, while living in a Christian community, and developing long-lasting friendships. Come find out what it’s all about! Rev. Gary Jones, director of Spiritual Formation / Camps & Retreat Ministries, East Ohio Conference

► #105 - Road Open - Social Media in Discipleship - Social media is ever changing and a great way to reach both your church family and those in the community. Let’s explore ways to effectively use Facebook, Twitter and web sites as outreach tools. Sue Zakovec and Lois Speelman, Communications Office, East Ohio Conf.

► #106 - Mass Transit - TLC (Tender Loving Care) Groups for Busy Disciples - Learn about Small Group Ministries and a new handbook written by Rev. Dale Turner: Small Group Ministry - "TLC (Tender Loving Care) Groups for Busy Disciples." This handbook includes 43 lessons for discussion and a leadership training section. It is based on Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, and Witness. The groups meet weekly for 59 minutes and participate in mission projects. Each group grows and multiplies annually into two groups and repeats the process every year with the goal of growing the local church spiritually and numerically. Rev. Dale Turner, retired clergy

► #107 - Wrong Exit - Dealing With Conflict as a part of Christian Life - When we miss an exit while traveling in unexplored territory, we can panic or be curious about the challenge before us. Conflict in the congregation offers us a similar choice. Learning to recognize and negotiate conflict is critical to the disciple’s journey, as it presents the opportunity to grow in faith. Our guide will be Jesus himself. Rev. Valerie Stultz, retired clergy and former superintendent of the Canal District

► #108 - Tour Guide - Faith Coaching - A great introduction to coaching in support of a discipleship process. Growth as a disciple requires identifying our current reality, clear goals, and a plan to grow into our potential. When we are accountable for our discipleship - we are much more likely to grow. Faith coaching is a great way to support the growth process. Rev. Kelly Brown, director of Congregational Vitality, East Ohio Conference
12:15 - 1:10 pm - Lunch - Need to pay and reserve in advance - $8.00.

Bag Lunch: lunch meat sandwich with cheese (ham or turkey from a nearby Mennonite store), fruit cup, granola bar, chips, veggie tray and drinks. Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches will also be available. **Proceeds will fund the Wadsworth’s sack lunch ministry.**

If you forgot to make reservation for lunch, you can check to see if we have extras.

You can register on our website, by email, fax, or by mail. Please send a check in the mail for your lunch (unless you are paying through your church or your church is collecting checks and sending in).

1:15 - 2:45 pm - Afternoon Workshops - #201 - #209

- **#201 - Share the Road** - **Best Practices for Treasurers, Financial Secretaries and Finance Committee Members** - This workshop will include looking at payroll changes, reporting, budgeting, accounting policies and procedures as well as time to address your questions. **Jessica Vargo**, Treasurer, East Ohio Conference

- **#202 - Survey Crew** - **Staff/Pastor Parish Relations Committees** - Guidelines (For members of the local church SPR/PPR committee) **Rev. Ed Peterson**, district superintendent of the Canal District

- **#203 - Road Crew** - **Wet Paint - Trustees at Work** - The issues that local church trustees handle are like wet paint. Sometimes testy and other times dry conditions that keep us from knowing when or how to take the next step. We will address some common concerns, concerns you have, and provide some resource avenues to keep you moving safely down the road of ministry. **Jerry Rinehart**, board of trustee chair, East Ohio Conference

- **#204 - Bumper Stickers** - **Evangelism Through the Local Church** - Evangelism is: “Proclaiming Jesus Christ is Savior and Lord in making and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.” Offering Christ is both personal and reproducible through you and through your local church. Let’s share: Biblical foundations, bridge-building tools, faith-stories, and workable new ministries ideas together. Come and see what could be possible for you and your local church. **Rev. Dennis Rinehart**, retired clergy

- **#205 - Pedestrian Crossing** - Mapping Out Classroom Basics for Children’s Sunday School - Not sure where to start? Let’s go back to the basics! Get helpful information for mapping out a Sunday School Class. From set-up, to teaching, to activities and more, make it all kid friendly and leave them wanting to come back for the next trip! **Karen Rocco**, director of Christian education, Stow UMC

- **#206 - Learner’s Permit** - Helping Students Take the Next Step in their Faith - How to disciple students. The how and why of student disciples. We will also have time to field other questions participants may have. **Rev. Jon Hutchison**, associate pastor, Wooster UMC

- **#207 - Off the Beaten Path** - Mission - Do your part! Get off the road and discover the burning bush near you. Let’s discuss practical ways of doing mission off the beaten path. **Pastor Brett Bartels**, Heart 4 the City

- **#208 - Danger Zone/Detour** - Heroin Addiction & Human Trafficking: Prevention, Intervention and Recovery Ministries - Increased social media usage along with the lack of parental involvement, drug usage and decrease in spiritual guidance has all led to a human trafficking epidemic in our state. Also, the heroin epidemic continues to plague our families and communities. Come hear about how you and your church can be better educated and aware of these issues and minister to the needs people affected. **Kay Wolfinger**, director of Young People’s Ministry, East Ohio Conference UMC and **Rev. Don Ebert**, pastor, Wadsworth UMC

- **#209 - Pot Holes** - Moving Forward on your Journey (For Pastors) - When we hit a pot hole, adrenaline rushes in the face of danger. We might be injured, our car wrecked, our journey disrupted. So, too, in our congregations when conflict threatens to dig holes in the fabric of our fellowship. Learn to assess the danger, address the holes, and move forward on your journey. **Rev. Valerie Stultz**, retired clergy and former superintendent of the Canal District

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Events /District Happenings - Fax: 330-252-0297, phone: 330-252-0299 - e-mail: cdistumc@gmail.com. (Pre-registration for workshops is very helpful in order to prepare materials and space. You are encouraged to still attend even if you cannot preregister, although some workshops may be full and additional lunches may not be available.)
Leadership Training Event

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Name______________________ Phone______________________

Email______________________ Church______________________

Workshop Morning #________________________ Workshop Afternoon #________________________

Lunch (Circle or Underline one): Yes or No - Cost $8.00 - (Lunch should be reserved and paid in advance)
W e will be billed for the lunches we order. Lunch: Bag lunch etc. (see above)
(Churches will pay one registration fee - $20.00)

Check Number________________________ Total Enclosed $________________________

(If you are registering more than one person you can make up your own form and include everyone on one form)

Make your check payable to “Canal District” in memo line write "Leadership Training Event” and mail to:

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