

## **LEADING WORSHIP FOR LAY LEADERS**

*A one day seminar designed to help lay leaders prepare and lead worship!*

Who may be interested? Congregations who struggle to find supply ministers to lead weekly worship service and lay members who are interested in leading their congregations in worship.

Let's face it, many congregations need a supply minister to fill the pulpit if the minister is away or if the church is in transition between ministers. In order to assist congregations facing this situation, the Local Congregational Support Working Group of the PNEC Committee on Ministry is conducting a one-day seminar designed to help your members develop and present a variety of worship services, using readily available resources from the Conference, the UCC website and other online and paper resources.

The training will cover all aspects of how to prepare and lead a worship service, including:

- What should be included in a worship service,
- Where to get the weekly lectionary (the Bible verses read during the worship),
- Resources for getting worship topics, readings for prayers, benedictions, blessing the offering, options for music and similar components of a worship service,
- Alternatives to a regular sermon, such as group discussion, sharing faith journeys and other suggestions.
- What are the liturgical seasons?
- How to enlist several people to help prepare and conduct the service.

This event will be offered on **Saturday, September 14 from 9 to 3** at the Conference Office (431 Delaware Avenue in Palmerton). Lunch will be provided. The fee for the event is \$15 for an individual or \$45 dollars for a team of 3 or more. Please make checks payable to PNEC and send to the Conference Office, 431 Delaware Avenue, Palmerton, PA 18071.

To register for this event, please call Patty or Barbara at the Conference Office (610-826-3113).

### **The Back Pew** - Jeff Larson

*7 asleep, 13 blank stares, 22  
texting, and 57 silly  
grins.*



After a cursory glance of the congregation Pastor Pete knew his sermon from Leviticus was deemed underwhelming.