

			
<b>Lay Servant Ministries Certified Lay Speaker Track Flow Chart</b>			
<b>Step 1: Certified Lay Servant recommended for Certified Lay Speaker Track by pastor and church council or charge conference?</b>			
Decision: Yes	Result: Enter Certified Lay Speaker Track	Decision: No	Result: Not considered for certification as a Lay Speaker - Remain Certified Lay Servant
<b>Step 2: Completed required courses for lay speaker track (leading prayer, leading worship, discovering spiritual gifts, preaching, United Methodist Heritage, and United Methodist Polity)?</b>			
Decision: Yes	Result: Interview with District Committee on LSM	Decision: No	Result: Not considered for certification as a Lay Speaker - Remain Certified Lay Servant
<b>Step 3: District Committee on LSM recommends certification as a Lay Speaker?</b>			
Decision: Yes	Result: Await certification from Conference Committee on LSM	Decision: No	Result: Not considered for certification as a Lay Speaker - Remain Certified Lay Servant
<b>Step 4: Approved by Conference Committee on LSM as a Certified Lay Speaker</b>			
Decision: Yes	Result: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certified as a Lay Speaker for pulpit supply</li> <li>• Submit annually renewal application/report as for a Certified Lay Servant</li> <li>• Complete an advanced LSM course at least once every 3 years</li> <li>• For re-certification as a lay speaker, go before the district committee on LSM for interview and recommendation to Conference Committee on LSM every 3 years</li> </ul>	Decision: No	Result: Not considered for Lay Speaker role - Remain Certified Lay Servant