

Scheduled Training:

Essential Boundaries

Thursday-Friday,

May 31-June 1, 2018

New Hope Lutheran Church

3125 5th Ave S. Great Falls, MT

Thursday 3:30 p.m. – Friday 12:00 p.m.

Evening meal included

Overnight accommodations are available at the Best Western Heritage Inn, where the Assembly will be held.

Registration deadline: May 14

Content Outline

Boundaries 101 course:

- Boundaries, Power and Vulnerability
- Dating, Friendships, Dual relationships, Gifts
- Pulpit, Transference, Hugging & Touch, Intimacy
- Personal Needs and Self-Care, Red Flags

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Essential Boundaries for Wise Leaders 2018

“And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds.”
Hebrews 10:24



The Montana Synod Essential Boundaries for Wise Leaders training program for rostered leaders, Lay Pastoral Associates, and other congregational leaders promotes our fifth benchmark to support congregations as they live out their calling as centers of mission.



Essential Boundaries for Wise Leaders will benefit participants in several ways, including:

- Offering examples of “safe church” policies for congregations.
- Renewing your sensitivity to and awareness of safe practices as a faith leader.
- Enriching your understanding of “healthy boundaries” around personal time, health, and wellness.
- Fulfilling our shared commitment to ministry with excellence and integrity.
- Helping the Montana Synod continue to be a healthy body with healthy leaders.
- Earning 4 contact hours.

Expectations & Guidelines

Boundaries education has been a part of the ELCA for more than 20 years. As we learn and grow as leaders and our settings and experience change, it is important to review this information periodically.

Therefore, this synod expects rostered leaders to **attend one training every three years** from the date of the last training completed.

1. Rostered leaders’ attendance will be noted and congregations and call committees will be encouraged to pay attention to their participation. Congregations determine whether other leaders, such as LPAs and church staff, should attend and how frequently.
2. **Cost is \$50.** Materials are through the FaithTrust Institute and a meal are included. Financial assistance is available upon request.
3. Refunds will only be available if there is a personal or church emergency and you are unable to attend.
4. **Register and pay online at www.montanasynod.org/boundaries**
5. Or, send a check for \$50 to the Montana Synod.
6. Registration deadline is May 14.
7. If you have had healthy boundaries training in the last three years and would like it considered for recognition, please contact the synod office.

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Future Workshop Topics

Boundaries related to:

- Use of Portable Web and Social Networking
- Finances

A workshop is also being considered particularly for spouses & partners of rostered leaders.