



EVERY SECOND SATURDAY SERIES
Monthly Ministry Development Opportunities
2nd Saturdays @ 10AM-Noon on Zoom

The **Every Second Saturday Series** provides monthly discipleship and equipping environments for doing justice, loving mercy and humbly walking in the midst of justice-involved experiences. Topics include emerging ministry perspectives and practices, leading change, and creating healing communities for justice-involved persons and caring for victims.

Date	Topic & Session Description
8-Jan	<p>Doing Restorative Justice Today - "We urge the creation of a genuinely new system for the care and restoration of victims, offenders, criminal justice officials, and the community as a whole." (UMC Social Principle on Criminal and Restorative Justice (164.V.H),</p> <p>But how? Restorative justice, rooted in indigenous traditions of healing and accountability, offers an effective framework. Focused on repairing the relational and communal damage done by harmful actions, restorative justice principles and practices address the wrongs and bring healing to all involved – including the one harmed, the one who harmed, the families of both and the community at large.</p> <p>Restorative justice is the Church's work of reconciliation and redemption in the face of woundedness and is an alternative to harmful systems of retribution and injustice. This session provide a basic understanding of the restorative justice framework and some basic ministry practices for doing restorative justice today.</p>
12-Feb	<p style="text-align: center;">Are you looking for a better way to navigate the world's rapid change?</p> <p>Immunity to Change - Part 1 training reveals how our individual beliefs, experiences, and fears combine to create a <i>natural and powerful immune system</i> that holds us back. When exposed, this "protective" force unsticks, and we finally move forward. Through hands-on diagnostics and compelling case studies, this session pinpoints and uproots our immunities <i>before</i> we try to change our behavior, relationships, or church. We can overcome the hidden agendas that block us from making decision in our own best interest and embracing changes for transformation and whole-hearted living.</p>

	<p>Join Dr. Roxanne Coey, certified <i>Immunity to Change</i> trainer from the ODRC Office of Reentry, to discover your own hidden immunity that holds you back when confronted with change. In this session, learn adaptive solutions that makes change easier and permanent. Bottom line, this training changes how you deal with change for greater growth, development, and transformation.</p>
12-Mar	<p>Organizations are becoming increasingly more complex and rapid change is the new norm. Are you looking ahead to how you can move your group forward into and through what's next?</p> <p>Immunity to Change - Part 2 focuses on uncovering the collective mind-sets of an organization or group that cause pushback -- and sometimes outright revolt -- to change. By revealing a group's immunity, leaders and change agents can strategically address the fears blocking their group from engaging in new relationships and ways of ministry. In this session, you and your team develop a working model for organizational change that leans into the transformative opportunities that come from embracing change.</p> <p>Dr. Roxanne Coey, <i>Immunity to Change</i> trainer, returns to help your group discover its hidden immunity that keeps it stuck in fear, instead of moving toward transformation.</p>
9-Apr	<p>Creating Communities of Healing, Part 1 – This session introduces participants to the Healing Communities framework. Healing Communities is a restorative justice approach for ministry with incarcerated men and women, their families, and the larger community. This national training model helps congregations, through mobilization of their existing resources, to walk with persons through this lived experiences of incarceration.</p>
14-May	<p>Creating Communities of Healing, Part 2 – This session continues learning and growth within the Healing Communities framework. Part 2 focuses on developing a justice approach for ministry with returning neighbors, their families, and the larger community. Ministry leaders will explore how their congregations, through mobilization of their existing resources, can walk with persons through their lived experiences of reentry.</p>
11-Jun	<p>Cultivating You Call to Justice-focused Ministry, Part 1 -Walking with justice-involved persons can happen by choice or by circumstance. Part 1 prepares you to navigate today's complexity in justice-involved ministry. Confronted with major cultural challenges or disruptions, today's paradigms for justice-focused ministry require more than just new skills. They require a close examination of how we show up as people of faith in this world, but not of this world.</p> <p>Don't let your calling of reconciliation, restoration, repair or reintegration get lost in the complexity. Join us for this deep dive, so you can be prepared to push through to - not push back <i>from</i> - a more impactful approach for justice-focused ministry.</p>

9-Jul	<p>Cultivating You Call to Justice-focused Ministry, Part 2 – This session prepares you to navigate a highly connectional ministry/organizational context. Seeing the person you're looking at; looking past a person's behavior to their being; and suspending judgment of "the other" takes developing culturally competent skills of understanding others.</p> <p>This session helps you really meet people where they are by seeing how their context has shaped who they are. This deep dive is the next phase of preparation for pushing through <i>to</i> - not pushing back <i>from</i> - a more impactful approach for justice-focused ministry.</p>
13-Aug	<p>Cultivating You Call to Justice-focused Ministry, Part 3 - This is session brings together the complexity, connectional and contextual threads of ministry with practical tips and tools for seeking common ground and bridging across cultural difference to transformative relationships.</p> <p>Join us for this final session where we apply restorative practices, trauma-healing techniques, emotional intelligence strategies, and culturally aware bridging skills to a more impactful approach for justice-focused ministry.</p>
10-Sep	<p>Good Samaritan Ministry, Part 1 – Good Samaritan Ministry focuses on restoring hope and supporting healing with crime victims and survivors. Part 1 of this three-part series explores where and how people are experiencing harm, the levels of victim impact and what our immediate responses should include when harm has occurred. This session incorporates ODRC Victim Awareness case studies, the Stephen Ministry model of care, restorative practices and personal experiences.</p>
8-Oct	<p>Good Samaritan Ministry, Part 2 –This session equips victim/survivor allies for supporting long-term social, emotional and spiritual healing. This interactive session uses ODRC Victim Awareness case studies, Stephen Ministry practices, personal experiences, and restorative practices for mutual learning.</p>
12-Nov	<p>Good Samaritan Ministry, Part 3 – Session three provides resources, tools, approaches and opportunities for deeper growth in your restorative justice, care ministry and Stephen Ministry victim/survivor care responses.</p>

Cost per session: \$10 General Participation; \$15 CEU (UMC)/Certificate of Participation

Every Second Saturday session offers 0.20 CEU or a Certificate of Participation for 2.0 hours.

For each session, participants receive digital workbooks full of tips, tools and resources for personal growth and ministry development.

Advanced registration is required.