

Sermon Academy



This workshop is a gathering of those who rely on and value words to help people connect to the Living Word. During our time together, we will focus on preaching possibilities for the Advent journey, exploring both lectionary and non-lectionary options for helping people live toward the joy of Christmas. We will talk about the practical aspects of sermon preparation that help real faith connect with real life.

Those of us who have had the good fortune of living under The Grand Story of the God who makes and keeps covenants, who moves toward us in love and is never willing to let the worst be the last – we have a high calling and holy opportunity to use the moment of proclamation well. As pastors, words are our tools, and during this day we will reclaim the power and practice and art of effective preaching.

Monday, October 28, 2019
Holston Conference Center, Alcoa, TN
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



Reverend Charles Maynard

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Charles has authored or co-authored 31 books, including 22 children's books. He has written numerous magazine articles on Great Smoky Mountains and Yellowstone National Parks as well as Tennessee history.



Registration Two Ways:

\$25 includes registration and lunch • Deadline is October 22, 2019

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