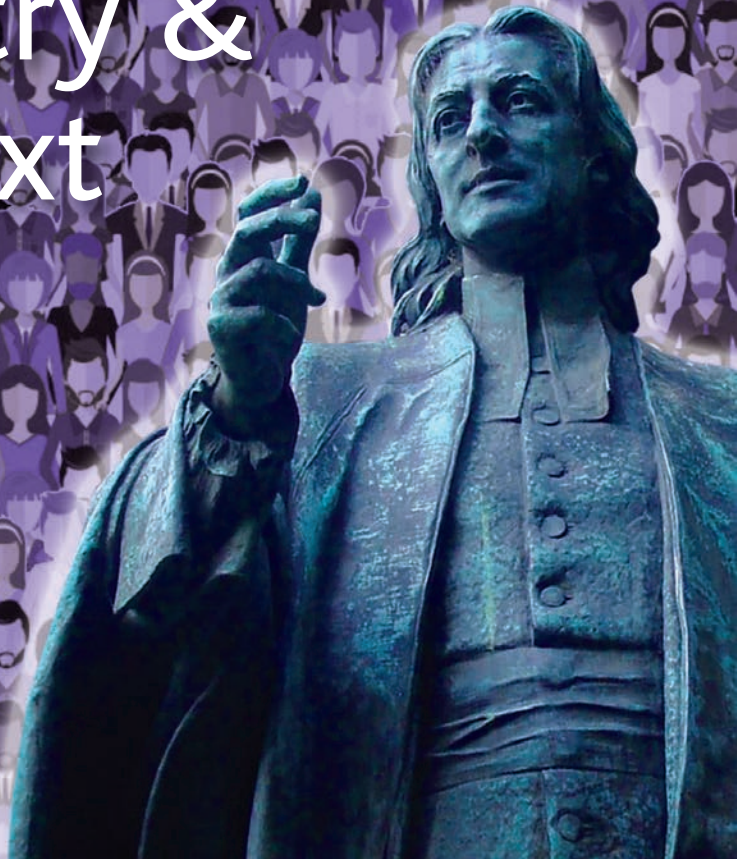


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What lessons can we learn from our Wesleyan tradition for the work of church leadership today?

This four-week course invites participants to reflect on the nature of leadership within their own ministerial contexts. As the church faces a host of challenges, from declining membership to climate change, new intentionality is necessary for the work of leading God's people, whether those leaders be ordained or lay. This course provides the resources and space to consider how Methodists might bring a particular charisma to such leadership in different contexts.

Designed for clergy and lay leaders alike, *Leadership in the Wesleyan Spirit: Ministry and Context* draws upon the work of seminal Methodist leadership scholar Lovett H. Weems, Jr. Weems offers a vision of Methodist leadership within the American context. Our course will use his work as a jumping-off point for adapting his insights to different cultural and ministerial contexts. Participants will, therefore, be asked not only to engage the course material but to bring their own experience and expertise into conversation with others as we work together to construct multiple visions of Wesleyan leadership relevant for the rich diversity of God's world and God's people.

Adam Ployd is Vice Principal and Director of the Centre for Leadership and Ministry Development at Wesley House, Cambridge. An ordained Deacon in the United Methodist Church, Adam is trained as an historical theologian and seeks to make the resources of the past relevant for the contemporary church. While Adam's published scholarship focuses on early Christian thought, especially that of Augustine of Hippo, he has taught Wesleyan and Methodist history and theology for almost a decade. He believes that the origins of Methodism in the work of John and Charles Wesley have much to teach us even as we must always look to the future in an effort to follow God's ongoing work in the world.



COURSE STRUCTURE

- ◆ Four Wednesdays from 6 July to 27 July 2022
- ◆ Virtual Class via Zoom, 4.00-5.30pm (UK time). Zoom link, class schedule, & outline will be provided after registration.
- ◆ Lovett H. Weems' 'Leadership in the Wesleyan Spirit' is the text for the class. This will be made available digitally to all registered participants. Please read the Introduction prior to the first class.
- ◆ The four weekly sessions of 90 minutes include:
 - ◆ Opening scripture and prayer
 - ◆ Presentation about that week's reading
 - ◆ Small group conversations in breakout rooms
 - ◆ Large group gathering for shared reflection and closing prayer
- ◆ Approximately 2 hours of reading and study per week are expected outside of class time
- ◆ A certificate of completion is available for those who complete a brief summative reflection (1500 words)

COURSE COST

Early Bird Registration:
£100 (ends 4th June 2022)

Regular Registration:
£120 (ends 4th July 2022)

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