

**The Forty-second Session of the
SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
The United Methodist Church
Organized 1972**

Continuing in South Carolina Conference (1785) and the South Carolina Conference (1866)

Sunday, June 9 – Wednesday, June 12, 2013

Florence Civic Center
Florence, South Carolina

Bishop L. Jonathan Holston, Presiding

“A More Excellent Way”
A Story of Serving, Living and Giving

2013 ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

June 9, 2013

Sunday Afternoon, The First Day

1:30 PM Registration – Civic Center Concourse (until 6:00pm)

5:00 PM Lay Orientation Session – Arena
Clergy Session – Exhibit Hall

Sunday Evening, The First Day

7:00 PM Lake Junaluska Singers

7:30 PM Opening of Annual Conference (Welcome and “Are We Yet Alive”)
Worship Service – Bishop L. Jonathan Holston, Preacher
(Offering: Stop Hunger Now and Hunger Ministries.
All checks should be made out to the South Carolina United Methodist Annual Conference
Reception for Bishop Holston and Family (Exhibit Hall)

June 10, 2013

Monday Morning, The Second Day

7:30 AM Holy Communion (Pee Dee Room)
Rev. Richard (Ricky) Howell, Celebrant – Director of Wesley Foundation, Winthrop University

8:00 AM Registration

8:30 AM Conference Organization

Call to Order
Greeting from Florence DS
Conference Committee on the Episcopacy
Organizational Motions by the Secretary
Election of two additional Assistant Secretaries
Committee on Standing Rules (SR 18)

9:10 AM Bible Study – Dr. Vivian Fowler

9:40 AM Constitutional Amendments
Board of Ordained Ministry
Black College Fund

Committee on Nominations
Consent Calendar (SR 22)
Committee Council on Finance and Administration (For information) (SR21)
Committee Resolutions and Appeals (For information and reference) (SR 71 c & d)

12:00 PM Lunch Recess

Monday Afternoon, The Second Day

2:00 PM Commission on Equitable Compensation
Pension and Health Benefits
The United Methodist Publishing House
The Re-Districting Report
The Cabinet Report (BOD 605.4)
The Report of Congregational Development
Rethink Church

5:30 PM Dinner Recess

Monday Evening, The Second Day

7:30 PM Commissioning and Ordination Service – Bishop Jonathan Holston
Offering will go to the Seminary Students Scholarship Fund.
All checks should be made out to the South Carolina United Methodist Annual Conference.

June 11, 2013

Tuesday Morning, The Third Day

Stop Hunger Now

8:30 AM Bible Study Dr. Vivian Fowler

9:00 AM Connectional Ministries
Conference Lay Leader Report
Pan-Methodist Campaign for Children in Poverty

11:00 AM Service of Recognition for Retiring Ministers and the “Passing of the Mantle”

12:15 PM Lunch Recess

Tuesday Afternoon, The Third Day

2:00 PM The Memorial Service

3:15 PM Recess

3:30 PM Report of United Methodist Theological School
The Wesley Foundation Campus Ministry
Report of Camps and Retreat Ministries
Wofford College
Africa University
The Conference Chancellor

5:00 PM Dinner Recess

Tuesday Evening, The Third Day

7:30 PM A 4:12 Story

June 12, 2013

Wednesday Morning, The Fourth Day

7:30 AM Holy Communion (Pee Dee Room)
Rev. Edward L McCutcheon, Celebrant – Director of Wesley Foundation Furman University

8:30 AM Bible Study – Dr. Vivian Fowler

9:00 AM Consent Calendar Adoption
Elections – Committee on Nomination
Committee on Resolution and Appeals (SR 71c)
Committee on Finance and Administration (SR 21)
Resolutions to Discontinue or Abandon
Report of Charge Line Changes
Date of the 2014 Session of Annual Conference
Recommendation for the Site of the 2014 Annual Conference
Expression of Appreciation and Omnibus Motion

11:30 AM Sending Forth and Fixing of the Appointments

SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2013

The Committee on Episcopacy Reception of Bishop L. Jonathan Holston and Family will be held in the Civic Center Exhibit Hall immediately following evening worship. All are invited to attend.

MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2013

Health Screening. 7:00 am – 10:30 am, Locker Room #3. Open only to Health Plan Members - free to those members. Offered by the Conference Benefits Office. On-line Registration details will be mailed to you in April. It is imperative that you pre-register so we will have the necessary supplies.

Diakonia Luncheon will be at the Olive Garden across the road from the Convention Center. All deacons, deacon candidates, diaconal ministers, deaconesses as well as families/friends are invited to this "Dutch treat" luncheon. We will gather at noon. Please RSVP to Bobbie Taylor, botaylor@umcsc.org NLT 7 June.

African American Clergywomen's Luncheon, 12:30 pm, Florence Civic Center, Waccamaw Room. Dr. Robin Dease, the S.C. Conference's newly appointed District Superintendent of the Hartsville District is the Speaker. Cost of the lunch is \$20 per person. Please contact the Rev. Blondell Miller, 503 Pleasantview Drive, Hartsville, SC 29550, or call 843-332-2555, blon1949@aol.com for tickets and Rev. Anna Miller at 843-577-0448, agmiller@umcsc.org for more information.

The Asbury Theological Seminary Luncheon will be held at 12:30pm at the Western Sizzlin, 2688 David McLeod Blvd., Florence SC 29501. Contact Rev. F.J. (Eric) Shepard @ 864-538-8272.

Celebrating Local Church Ministry Luncheon will be at 12:30pm, Civic Center Exhibit Hall, \$10.00 per person. The speaker will be Bishop Jonathan Holston. During this time we will celebrate by featuring mission and ministry partnerships of local churches across the South Carolina Annual Conference. Everyone is invited. Some meals may be purchased at the door, but everyone is encouraged to order their meal tickets before annual conference by sending \$10 to Lyna Munn, Florence Civic Center, 3300 West Radio Drive, Florence, SC 29501 by May 1, 2013. For more information contact Donald Love, conference associate lay leader at del12345@aol.com or Lisa Livingston, chair of leadership development at LLivingston@AgapeSenior.com

Duke Alumni Gathering. The dinner will be held Monday June 10th at 5:45 PM at the United Methodist Manor of the Pee Dee (2100 Twin Church Road, Florence, SC 29501). The cost is \$15.00 per person. Reservations should be made by Monday, May 27th in the form of a check and payable to "United Methodist Manor of the Pee Dee." Please send your check to The Reverend Heather Humphries at Tabernacle UMC, 5908 Tabernacle Road, Lancaster, SC 29720. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Humphries at heather.humphries@gmail.com or call 803-286-7074.

Spartanburg Methodist College will have its Alumni and Friends Dinner at The Mellow Mushroom (Train Area) from 5:00-7:00. For more information call Rev. Candace Sloan at 864-587-4282, or Leah Pruitt, Director of Alumni Relations, at 864-587-4225. RSVP to Becky Snot at SnowB@smcsc.edu by June 9th.

Erskine Seminary Alumni & Student Get Together. All Erskine Theological Seminary alumni, students, friends, and spouses are invited to join us for heavy appetizers at 5:30 PM in the Exhibit Hall of the Civic Center. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Mary Brown at Brown@erskine.edu or 864.379.6596.

Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary Alumni Dinner, 5:30 pm. The Mellow Mushroom, (private dining room). Cost: \$10.00 per person. Reservations required. For more information, contact Rev. Bob Vincent at 803-413-2202.

Ordination Service Reception, Civic Center Exhibit Hall, following the ordination services.

TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2013

Health Screening. 7:00 am – 10:30 am, Locker Room #3. Open only to Health Plan Members - free to those members. Offered by the Conference Benefits Office. On-line Registration details will be mailed to you in April. It is imperative that you pre-register so we will have the necessary supplies.

American Red Cross Blood Drive, 7:30 am – 12:30 pm, on the Concourse. Help save up to three lives by donating blood! Register on-line at www.redcrossblood.org before annual conference (enter sponsor code: scmehodist), or register in person when you arrive in Florence. The need is constant. The gratification is instant. Give blood!

Awards & Recognitions Breakfast. The Awards and recognitions Breakfast is an event that recognizes individuals and churches who are receiving one of the awards or recognitions at Annual Conference on Tuesday morning. This breakfast (which is by invitation only) will be held at 7:30 AM on Tuesday, June 11 in the Pee Dee Room of the Florence Civic Center.

UMVIM Luncheon, 12:00 PM at Pisgah UMC. Cost: \$10.00 per person. To make reservations contact Lee McMillan in the Conference Center. (Ph: 803-735-8790; email: lmcmillan@umcsc.org)

Local Pastors and Associates Luncheon, 12:15 at the Civic Center in the Santee Room. Rev. Claude Herbert, Treasurer of National Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associates, will be the speaker. The cost of the meal is \$10.00. Contact Rev. John Cribb if you need more information (O: 843-386-2165) or (R: 843-380-0333).

Extension Ministries Luncheon will be held at 12:15 PM, at Red Bone Alley at the Old Florence Mall. Individuals order from the menu and pay for their own meal. Please contact Rev. Stephen Love (843-731-1303) prior to annual conference so that a table can be reserved for the correct number.

Candler Club Dinner. The dinner will be held Tuesday, June 11 at 5:30 PM at the United Methodist Manor of the Pee Dee (2100 Twin Church Road, Florence, SC 29501). The cost is \$13 per person. Reservations should be made by Friday, May 24 in the form of a check and payable to "United Methodist Manor of the Pee Dee." Please send your check to The Rev. Julie Songer Belman, Shandon UMC, 3407 Devine Street, Columbia, SC 29205. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Mandy Young at mtyoung@mthebrnumc.com or by phone at 803-794-8273.

Claflin/Gammon Alumni Fellowship Dinner. The cost is \$20.00 per person. For more information or to make reservations, contact Ms. Andrena Gaymon: 803-535-5237 or 864-451-0976 (cell).

Black Methodists for Church Renewal Worship Service, at 9:00 pm in the Exhibit Hall, following the Tuesday following the evening worship. Rev. Calvin B. Washington, preaching.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2013

Health Screening. 7:00 am – 10:30 am, Locker Room #3. Open only to Health Plan Members - free to those members. Offered by the Conference Benefits Office. On-line Registration details will be mailed to you in April. It is imperative that you pre-register so we will have the necessary supplies.

Ministers' Spouses Luncheon, 11:15 AM , Florence Civic Center, Pee Dee Room. Reservations must be made by Friday, May 24th. No reservations will be taken at conference or at luncheon door. Cost of lunch is \$15.00 per person. Make checks payable to Florence District Ministers' Spouses and mail check and registration to Florence District Office UMC, PO Box 408, Florence, SC 29503-0408. If you have questions please contact Mrs. Johnnie Shuler 843-382-5284 (R) or 843-509-5905 (M). A nursery will be provided so please complete registration for number of children and their ages.