The Forty-third Session of the
SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
The United Methodist Church
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Continuing the South Carolina Conference (1785) and the South Carolina Conference (1866)

Sunday, June 1 – Wednesday, June 4, 2014
Florence Civic Center
Florence, South Carolina

Bishop L. Jonathan Holston, Presiding

“A More Excellent Way”
Creating Corridors of Faith, Hope and Love

2014 ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

June 1, 2014  Sunday Afternoon, The First Day

1:30 PM  Registration – Civic Center (until 6:00pm)
Laiy and Retired Clergy on the Concourse
Active Clergy in Prefunction Area (hallway outside Ballroom) Sunday afternoon only

5:00 PM  Lay Orientation Session – Arena
Clergy Session – Ballroom

Sunday Evening, The First Day

7:25 PM  Count Down to Worship

7:30 PM  Opening of Annual Conference

Worship Service – Bishop L. Jonathan Holston, Preacher
(Offering: Wesley Foundation/Campus Ministry.)
All checks should be made out to the South Carolina United Methodist Annual Conference

June 2, 2014  Monday Morning, The Second Day

7:30 AM  Holy Communion (Pee Dee Room)
Rev. E. Ross Chellis, Hampton-Varnville Charge

8:00 AM  Registration Civic Center Concourse
Laity, Retired and Active Clergy

8:30 AM  Conference Organization

Call to Order “And Are We Yet Alive”
Greeting from Florence DS
Conference Committee on the Episcopacy
Organizational Motions by the Secretary
Committee on Standing Rules (SR 18)

9:10 AM  Bible Study – Dr. Robin Dease

9:40 AM  Children in Poverty Pan-Methodist
Church and Society
Board of Ordained Ministry
Committee on Nominations
Nomination and Election of Conference Secretary
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

(Rehearsal for Service of Commissioning and Ordination during lunch recess.
Gather in front of stage.)

Monday Afternoon, The Second Day

2:00 PM The Report of United Methodist Theological School (Duke University)
The Wesley Foundation Campus Ministry
Black College Fund
The Report of Camps and Retreat Ministries
Salkehatchie
Claflin University
Africa University

5:30 PM Dinner Recess

Monday Evening, The Second Day

7:00 PM Pre Music, St. John’s United Methodist Church, Aiken

7:30 PM Commissioning and Ordination Service – Bishop Larry Goodpaster, Preaching
Bishop Jonathan Holston
Offering will go to the Seminary Students Scholarship Fund.
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June 3, 2014 Tuesday Morning, The Third Day

Packing 1,000,000 Books

7:30 AM Holy Communion (Ballroom)
Rev. Paul Harmon, Spartanburg District Superintendent
Rev. Candice Sloan, Chaplain, Spartanburg Methodist College

8:30 AM Bible Study – Dr. Robin Dease

9:00 AM Connectional Ministries
Mission Interns
Epworth
Advanced Special Spotlight

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
The Reverend Dr. Kitty Cooper Holtzclaw
3:15 PM Recess

3:30 PM The Commission on Equitable Compensation
The Board of Pensions and Health Benefits
The Cabinet Report (BOD 605.4)
The Report of the Laity
The Report of Congregational Development
The Conference Chancellor

5:00 PM Dinner Recess

Tuesday Evening, The Third Day

7:30 PM In the Beginning Was the Word
A Celebration of Young Adult and Service
(Offering: Wesley Foundation/Campus Ministry.)

June 4, 2014 Wednesday Morning, The Fourth Day

7:30 AM Holy Communion (Pee Dee Room)
Rev. Adrianne M. Burgess

8:30 AM Bible Study – Dr. Robin Dease

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 2015 Session of Annual Conference
Recommendation for the Site of the 2015 Annual Conference
Expression of Appreciation and Omnibus Motion

11:30 AM Sending Forth and Fixing of the Appointments
Bishop Jonathan Holston, Preacher
**SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR**

**MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2014**

**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.

**Church and Society Breakfast. (Ballroom #1)** All are welcome to the Church and Society Breakfast to hear from the new General Secretary of the General Board of Church and Society, The Reverend Susan Henry-Crowe. The cost of breakfast is $7. Please make your reservation by sending a check made out to “Florence Civic Center” by May 25th to Rev. Karen Jones at Central UMC, 233 N. Church Street, Spartanburg, SC 29306. For more information, contact Rev. Jones at 864-582-7263 or karen.lail.jones@hotmail.com

**African American Clergywomen’s Luncheon,** 12:30 pm, Florence Civic Center, Waccamaw Room. The Reverend Yvette D. Massey, Senior Pastor of Central UMC, Atlanta, VP National Black Clergy Women of the UMC BCWUMC 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@umcsoc.org for more information.

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

**Local Church Mission Fair** will be held in the Civic Center Exhibit Ballroom, 12 noon until 2:00pm. The fair will Celebrate local churches involved in ministries with children in poverty. Churches who submit a ministry form, available on the Conference web site, prior to the deadline of April 30, 2014, will be asked to set up a display/exhibit at Annual Conference highlighting their mission/ministry. Churches will be recognized as Bishop Holston will be on hand during the Mission Fair for pictures and greetings. For additional information or any questions, please email Donald Love or Lisa Livingston at laityevents@umcsoc.org. Food will be available during the Mission Fair with several food stations set up around the ballroom. You are urged to purchase your tickets ahead of time as only a limited number of tickets will be available the day of the event. You may order your meal ticket before Annual Conference by sending $8 to Lyna Munn, Florence Civic Center, 3300 West Radio Road, Florence, SC 29501. Checks are payable to: Florence Civic Center.

**Duke Alumni Gathering.** The dinner will be held Monday June 2nd 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 19th 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.** Cookies with Coleen. Join us at the SMC table from 2-4pm on the Concourse.

**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 David Cathcart at Cathcart@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 3, 2014**

**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: scmethodist), or register in person when you arrive in Florence. The need is constant. The gratification is instant. Give blood!
Awards Breakfast. The Awards Breakfast is an event that recognizes individuals and churches who are receiving one of the awards at Annual Conference on Tuesday morning. This breakfast (which is by invitation only) will be held at 7:30 AM on Tuesday, June 3 in the Pee Dee Room of the Florence Civic Center.

A Breakfast Gathering from 7:30-9:00 AM at Hilton Garden Inn, 2671 Hospitality Blvd. The speaker will be Rev. Matt Berryman, Executive Director of Reconciling Ministries Network. Both clergy and laity are invited to attend. Cost is $15.00. RSVP: www.rmnetwork.org/comingtogethersouthcarolina

Ministers’ Spouses Luncheon, 11:00 AM, Florence Civic Center, Pee Dee Room. Reservations must be made by Friday, May 27th. 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.

Diakonte 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 Rev. Angela Marshall, ahmarshall@umcsc.org, (803-778-9393) NLT May 30.

UMVIM Luncheon, 12:00 PM at Piggah UMC. Cost: $10.00 per person. To make reservations contact Lee McMillan. (Ph: 803-807-0492; email: lmcmillan@umcsc.org)

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 3 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@mthebronumc.com or by phone at 803-794-8273.

Claflin/Gammon Alumni Fellowship Dinner. 5:30 pm, Hilton Garden Inn Grand Ballroom. Cost: $25.00 per person. RSVP by May 30. This year's speaker will be Rev. Dr. Thomas J. Bowman, Sr., Senior Pastor, St. Mark United Methodist Church. For more information or to make reservations, contact Mrs. Andrena King: 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 evening worship. Rev. Patti Gordon, preaching.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2014

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.