

WELCOME TO OUR  
**Weekly Newsletter**  
*we're so glad you're here!*

## Sharing Our Holiday Cheer



Can you sing all the verses to  
*The Twelve Days of Christmas*

## Advisory Response Forms

REMINDER: The Advisory Response Forms from clergy and PPRCs are due in the District Office by December 15. The forms were sent to all clergy and all PPRC chairs in November. You may submit the completed forms by email ([gwdist@umcsc.org](mailto:gwdist@umcsc.org)) or through the mail (Greenwood District, PO Box 49968, Greenwood 29649). Please do not include our street address on the envelop because the Post Office will return it to you.

If another copy of the Advisory Response Forms is needed, please contact the district office.

**ALL members of the PPRC must sign both forms. The pastor must sign both forms.**

## HAPPY 1<sup>ST</sup> BIRTHDAY



Happy Birthday, Kaladin!

## District Christmas Gathering

It's not too late to let us know you will join us for the 2025 Christmas gathering.

December 18  
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Inn on the Square  
104 Court St. East  
Greenwood

Fun and laughter are guaranteed with our White Elephant gift exchange. Please bring **one wrapped gift per person to swap**. The gift should cost no more than \$12. Be creative, wacky, tacky, and aiming for laughter. The more "white elephant" your gift the better!



Santa has your white elephant gifts ready!

Contact the district office to make your meal reservations by **December 8**.

We look forward to seeing you on December 18.

# Looking Ahead

↓ **READ MORE** ↓

Advisory Response Forms (Clergy & PPRC) due - December 15, 2025

Lights! Camera! Action! Laity Convocation - January 9-10, Journey UMC

Clergy Meeting - January 20, 2026 - Main St. UMC, 9:30 a.m.

Revolution - January 30-31, 2026 - Columbia

Bishop's School of Ministry - February 3-6, 2026, Myrtle Beach

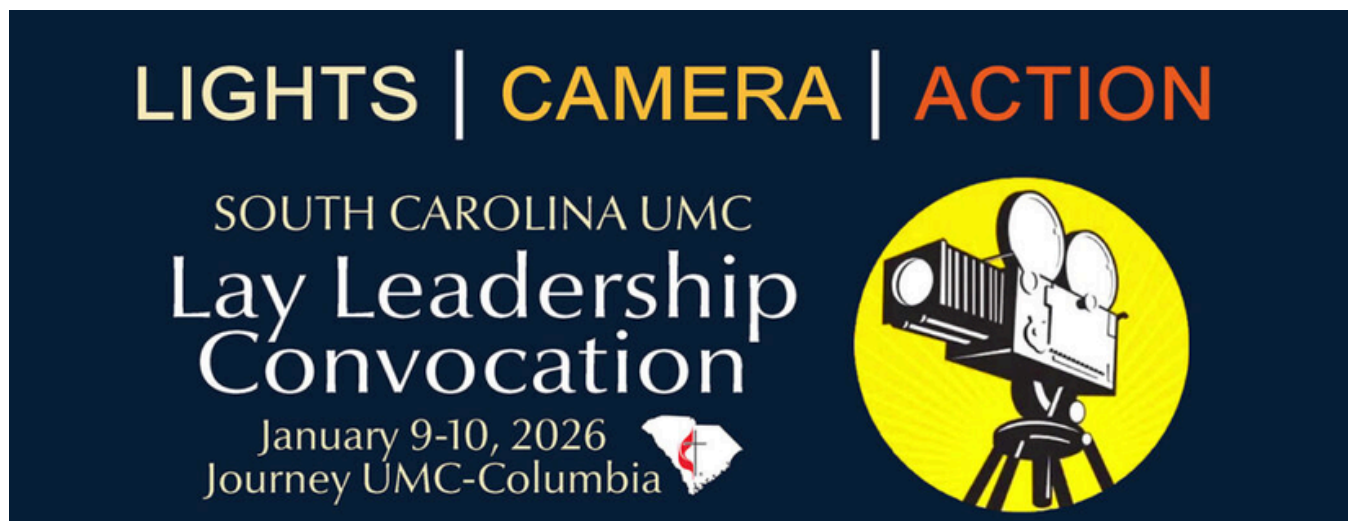
Appointment Week - February 23-27, 2026

Appointments Release - March 2-6, 2026

Introductory Visits begin - March 9, 2026

2026 Annual Conference - June 7-10, 2026

Moving Day - June 24, 2026



Registration is now open:

[https://www.umcsc.org/lights\\_camera\\_action\\_laity\\_convocation/](https://www.umcsc.org/lights_camera_action_laity_convocation/)

Each local church is invited to register a lay leadership team. Who should attend? Church Council Chair, Lay Leader, Lay Member to Annual Conference, SPRC Chair, Finance Chair, Trustees Chair, Church Treasurer, UMM President, UWF President, Young Adult Rep, Youth Ministry Rep, Nominations Chair, Media Person. The weekend will begin with "Tailgating with Bishop Fairley" on Friday evening, followed by a Saturday full of hands-on practical learning to take back to your church.

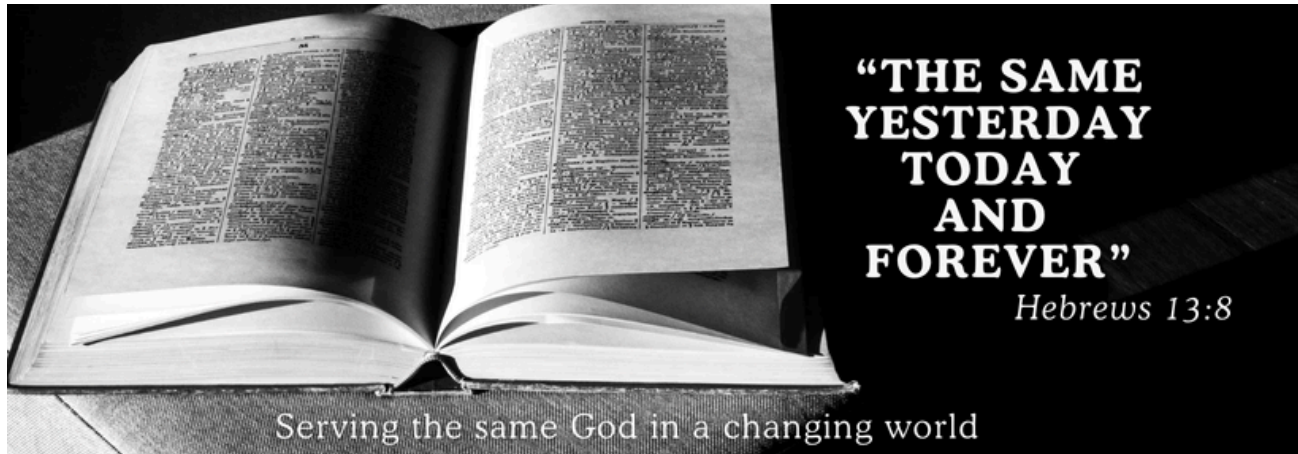
A limited number (250) of reimbursement scholarships of \$50 are available for hotel expenses so save your receipt!



FEBRUARY 3-5, 2026

# BISHOP'S SCHOOL OF MINISTRY

MYRTLE BEACH



The Bishop's School of Ministry begins on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. for worship. Rev. Dr. Teresa L. Fry Brown will be the preacher for the evening. Dinner is on your own with family, colleagues, and friends.

Lunch will be provided on Wednesday, February 4, 2026, as part of your event registration. You may pay for a guest to join you at lunch when you register. Dinner on Wednesday is on your own.

The Bishop's School ends on Thursday, February 5, 2026, at lunch time.

Registration is now open:

[umcsc.org/schoolofministryregistration](https://umcsc.org/schoolofministryregistration).

Registration deadline is **January 19, 2026**

[Click here to book your hotel reservations.](#)

Full details are available [online](#)