SECTION IV
The Fifty-First Session of the
SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
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Continuing the South Carolina Conference (1785) and the South Carolina Conference (1866)
Sunday, June 5 – Monday, June 6, 2022

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From
The Florence Center
Florence, South Carolina

Bishop L. Jonathan Holston, Presiding

“Seeking A More Excellent Way: Trusting, Believing, Knowing God is with Us.”

2022 VIRTUAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Registration: The South Annual Conference of the United Methodist benefited from an online registration process for clergy and lay members to the annual conference session to help diminish the risk of the spread of the COVID19 virus.

Lay Session: In light of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the 2022 Virtual training on participating and voting during annual conference was provided by GNTV prior to Annual Conference.

The First Day
Sunday Afternoon, June 5

Clergy Session: At 2:10 p.m. on Sunday, June 5, 2022, the Clergy Session of the United Methodist Church, was called to order by Bishop L. Jonathan Holston. Bishop Holston introduced the Reverend Morris Waymer who thanked the members of the Board of Ordained Ministry, the Rev. Melton Arant and Mr. Sharome Henry, and Bishop and Mrs. Holston for their unwavering support. The Reverend Morris Waymer introduced the Reverend Letha Brown who presented the candidates for Commissioning and Ordination. These persons were voted upon by the body. The proceedings of the Clergy Session are outlined in the Business Questions. The clergy session concluded with a prayer offered by Bishop Holston.

The First Day
Sunday Night, June 5

A Service of Commissioning, Ordination, and Retirement was hosted in person from the Florence Center, Florence, South Carolina on June 5, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Bishop Holston presided over the Commissioning, Ordination and Retirement Recognition Service. Bishop Gary E. Mueller, the Resident Bishop of the Arkansas Annual Conference, served as the Ordination Preacher. He preached a Message entitled, “Costly” based on Matthew 8:18-22. The virtual offering received was for the SC Conference Seminary Students Scholarship Fund, administered by the South Carolina United Methodist Foundation.

The following persons were commissioned for ministry in the United Methodist Church as provisional members preparing for ordained ministry as elders:
William David Altman II, Morgan Barner Byars, Martin Luther Quick, Deborah McKnight Patterson, Kenneth Bernard Middleton, and Claire Coven Van Den Berg.

The following person was commissioned for ministry in the United Methodist Church as a provisional member preparing for ordained ministry as a deacon:
Kathryn Miller Bariou.
The following persons were ordained for ministry as elders in the United Methodist Church:
William Douglas Herlong, Charles Brian Humphries, John David Jordan, Tae Suk Park,
Bryan Wray Pigford, Emma McClain Murphy, Soon Suck Nix, James David Taylor III,
Sheri Yvette-Base White, Charles Lionel Wilbanks, and Wade Anthony Wyatt Sr.

The Retirement Recognition followed the Commissioning and Ordination Service. The Rev. Christopher Lollis read the names of the retirees from 2022:
Randall Eugene Bowers, Scott Meade Bratton, Randall Lee Calcutt Sr., Lisa Kim Eanes,
Joyce Marie McMahan Edwards, Hazel Lathonya Epps, Emil Jerome Finley, Bobby Gordon,
Michael Lewis Hammett, Donald Mitchell Houston, George Kenneth Howle,
Margaret Hutcherson-Vance, Frank Vertell James, Ronnie Lee Jeffcoat, Clayton Jonathon Jones Sr., Joel Robert Jones Jr., Michael Steven Leonhardt, Julius Lavonia McDowell,
Shirley Ann McKnight, Anna Graham Miller, Blondell Stepheonson Miller, Warren Murdock Sr., Miyoung Paik, Louis Otto Perez, David Norris Phillips, William Harvey Phillips,
Brian Thomas Rainwater, Victoria Richardson, Terry Abner Roof, Michael Ellis Rouse,
The Passing of the Mantle was led by Bishop Jonathan Holston. Rev. Anna Graham Miller, retiring representative, transferred the mantel to Rev. William Douglas Herlong, representative of the new class.

The Second Day
Monday Morning, June 6

At 11:00 a.m. the Fifty-First Session of the South Carolina Annual Conference was called to order by Bishop Holston. Following a greeting, Bishop Holston offered a devotional on Romans 12:9-21 Revised Standard Version, wherein he reminded us that the church has been established for God’s purpose and not for our pleasure. Bishop Holston challenged us to share Jesus with others for this is our purpose to lead people to Jesus Christ. To be who we are called to be - this is the first step to seeking a more excellent way with God.

The Reverend Kenneth Nelson, Conference Secretary was introduced to present the following motions:

“Bishop, I move the following organizational motions:
1) that the 2022 SC Annual Conference Session conduct the business of the conference virtually, and all voting will be done electronically using the GNTV Voting platform, with only the clergy and lay members who have officially registered and been assigned unique voter id numbers identified as the voting members.

2) that the official roll and record of attendance for the 2022 Annual Conference session as those who officially registered.

3) that the conference program distributed in the Action Items Report, Appendixes, and the registration packet, along with such scheduling adjustments which the President and Secretary have since made-be adopted as the Agenda for the 2022 Annual Conference Session; provided that the President may adjust the schedule as necessary to expedite the business of the Session;

4) that the bar of Annual Conference Session be the voting lay and clergy members present on this online seminar.

5) That the body may vote on committee, board, and commission reports in their entirety instead of individual sections during the 2022 Virtual Annual Conference.”

The Rev. Ken Nelson reminded the Body to use the ‘get recognized’ button only when a person needs to be recognized by the Bishop.

Bishop Holston introduced the Reverend Terry Fleming, Florence District Superintendent of who brought greetings on behalf of his district. The Reverend Josh McClendon, Pastor of our Host Church, Pisgah UMC also offered greetings.
The Reverend Michael Hood was called upon to present on behalf of the Committee on Standing Rules - page 1 of the Action Item Report. Bishop Holston called for a vote on the report of the Committee on Standing rules in its entirety. The Rev. Ken Nelson advised that there were no questions in the chat rooms. As such, Bishop Holston called for a vote on the ballot. Bishop Holston advised that the motion was approved.

Bishop Holston called upon the Reverend Ken Nelson to present The Consent Calendar - The consent calendar can be found on page 2 of the Action Items Report (SR22).

The Consent Calendar provides for the adoption by “consent” of the reports and other items which do not necessarily require deliberation by the Annual Conference in open session and which can be adopted or “moved to record without reading” by a simple majority vote. We will act on the consent calendar at the end of the session today. Prior to the consideration of the Consent calendar scheduled for approximately 3:45, any fifteen members of the Annual Conference may request the removal of a specific item from the Consent Calendar, and it shall be removed and considered at an appropriate time by the President and the Secretary. The Consent Calendar shall be adopted by a majority vote.

To remove an item from the Consent Calendar, complete and secure the required 15 signatures on the form found on page 3 in the Action item report and email the completed form to the Secretary of the Annual Conference at conferencesecretary@umcsc.org prior to consideration of the Consent calendar. A separate petition is required for each item to be removed.

The Reverend Joseph James presented the Nominations Committee Report in the ACTION ITEMS REPORT. He thanked the Boards and Agencies for their service and thanked all who have already submitted edits to the Nominations Report. He offered the report for adoption. The Reverend Kenneth Nelson advised that the ballot was open for consideration. Bishop Holston called for a vote on the motion. The motion was passed: 845/10.

Bishop Holston recognized Judge Jackie Jenkins to make an online motion for approval of the Episcopal Nominee from the SC Annual Conference, the Reverend Kenneth L. Nelson (SR19). Bishop Holston advised that the motion coming from the delegation did not require a second, and thus it is properly before the body. Bishop Holston called for a vote. The motion was passed: 808/61.

Bishop Holston invited the Reverend Mitch Houston to offer the Report on the Council of Finance and Administration (SR21). Following words of thanksgiving to Beth Westbury, Bishop Holston, and others. Reverend Houston advised that the 2022 budget that is before the body for consideration is for $15,612,383, a 2.1% decrease from 2021. Reverend Houston advised that the Epworth Capital Campaign is concluding and that a Capital Campaign request has been submitted for approval from Camps and Recreation.

Bishop Holston dismissed the body for lunch following a prayer at 12:02 p.m. The Conference will be reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

The Second Day
Monday Afternoon, June 6

The Bishop reconvened the Conference at 1:31 p.m. The Reverend Kenneth Nelson reminded the Conference of the Service of Remembrance which will be led by the Reverend Dr. Robin Dease that evening at 7 p.m.

Reverend Millie Nelson Smith presented the report of Connectional Ministries on page 29. She extended thanks to her team and those whom they serve. She advised that it is the job of Connectional Ministries to ensure that resources are made available for the making of disciples for the transformation of the world. After the report was presented, Bishop Holston called for a vote. The motion was passed: 746/2.

Bishop Holston invited the Reverend Morris Waymer to present the report of the Board of Ordained Ministry pages 46-47. The Rev. Waymer remembered the Reverend Dr. Charles
Johnson who passed away on February 24, 2022, with a moment of silence. Rev. Waymer moved the report to record. Bishop Holston called for a vote. The motion was approved: 786/5. Bishop Holston thanked Rev. Waymer for the work of the Board of Ordained Ministry.

The Board of Pension and Health Benefits report was presented by the Rev. Chris Lollis, Director and Mrs. Valerie Brooks-Madden, Chair of the Board of Pension and Health Benefits. Mrs. Brooks-Madden introduced the Rev. Chris Lollis and the Rev. Joyce Timmons who assisted in a question-and-answer “DID YOU KNOW” session. They advised that there would be an increase in retiree benefits for those who retired before 1982, and they advised of the moving benefits available for retirees. They also provided information about disability benefits, health care coverages, and Roth IRAs. Bishop Holston called for a vote. The motion was passed: 816/8. The Reverend Lollis confirmed that retiree moving expenses can be reimbursed up to $1800. Bishop Holston extended thanks to Rev. Lollis, Mrs. Brooks-Madden, and their team.

The Rev. Jon Hoin presented the Commission on Equitable Compensation. The full report can be found in Action Items report page 59. The report was moved to record. Bishop Holston called for a vote. The motion was passed: 830/10.

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Love presented the Cabinet report found on page 68-69 in the Action Item Reports (BOD 605.4). The Cabinet celebrated the Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson’s 8 years of service and welcomed the Rev. Fran Eldro to the Cabinet. The Rev. Dr. Love asked the Bishop and the Conference to accept the report. Bishop called for a vote. The motion was passed: 830/13.

Ms. Barbara Ware presented the Report of the Conference Lay Leader (BOD 605.5). She thanked Bishop Holston for helping the Laity stay together during the pandemic via Zoom meetings. She expressed that the Women in Faith, UMM, and Lay Servant Ministries all found a way to stay in touch. She thanked the Laisy, Clergy, and Lay Leader Advisory Team for their dedication, and Mrs. Felecia Holston for her support. She acknowledged two new team members/positions: Cassie Watson, Secretary and Jeff Fogle, Associate Conference Lay Leader. Mrs. Earnestine Primus was recognized to speak. She did not do so [she accidentally asked to be recognized]. Ms. Ware requested that the report on page 70 of the Action Items be moved to record. Bishop Holston presented the motion for vote. The motion was passed: 818/3.

Bishop Holston called for at break 2:12 p.m. The Conference will reconvene at 2:30 p.m.

Bishop Holston reconvened the Conference at 2:33 p.m. after the viewing of a UMM video. He called upon the Rev. Mitch Houston to provide the Committee on Finance and Administration (SR21). The plaque for the highest apportionments paid was awarded to the Rev. Kenneth Nelson and the Orangeburg District. Rev. Houston advised that the Florence District had the highest percentage increase in giving. The Rev. Mitch Houston presented the report for approval. Bishop Holston called for questions. There was a question about an increase in the Episcopal budget of 29%. Rev. Houston advised that the amount was to help cover salary increases. He advised that there was a decrease in the Board of Ordained Ministry. Bishop Holston called for a vote. The motion was passed: 777/52.

The Rev. Kenneth Nelson moved for the adoption of the Consent Calendar. The consent calendar can be found on page 2 of the Action Items Report.

SR 22 - The Consent Calendar provides for the adoption by “consent” of the reports and other items which do not necessarily require deliberation by the Annual Conference in open session and which can be adopted or “moved to record without reading” by a simple majority vote. We will act on the consent calendar at the end of the session today. Prior to the consideration of the Consent calendar scheduled for approximately 3:45, any fifteen members of the Annual Conference may request the removal of a specific item from the Consent Calendar, and it shall be removed and considered at an appropriate time by the President and the Secretary. The Consent Calendar shall be adopted by a majority vote.

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Adoption of the Consent Calendar: The consent calendar may be found on page 2 in the Action Items Report. Being that the body, Bishop, has acted upon any items removed from the consent calendar, I move the adoption of the consent calendar.

Bishop Holston called for a vote on the Consent Calendar. The motion was passed: 840/4.

The Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson presented the report of Resolutions for Church Closings and Report of Charge Line Changes, see page 72 and 76 of the Action Items Report. Rev. Dr. Jamieson welcomed the Rev. Fran Elrod who will assume her role in the upcoming Conference year. The Rev. Jamieson asked for the adoption of the report on:

- A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MERGER OF Brown Chapel United Methodist Church, GCFA # 957005 Heaven Gate United Methodist Church, GCFA # 957107 St. James United Methodist Church, GCFA # 956991 to become THE BROOK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Murrells Inlet, South Carolina Marion District. Motion passed. 850/0.
- A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE AD INTERIM CLOSURE OF CHEROKEE PLACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (9-21-21) 2105 Cosgrove Avenue, North Charleston, SC 29405 Charleston District GCFA #271445 Motion passed. 825/8.
- A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE AD INTERIM CLOSURE OF LYNNWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, GCFA # 278583 1753 Lynnwood Drive, Lancaster, SC 29720 Rock Hill District Motion passed. 826/2.
- A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE AD INTERIM CLOSURE OF ST. JOHN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 2865 Highway 178, North, SC 29112-8699 Orangeburg District GCFA #278036 Motion passed. 826/4.
- A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CLOSURE OF COLLEGE PLACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 4801 Colonial Drive, Columbia, SC 29203 Columbia District (GCFA #272427) Motion passed. 807/33.
- A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE AD INTERIM CLOSURE OF LOREE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 132 Cannon Road, Wellford, SC 29385 Spartanburg District (GCFA #279075) Motion passed. 842/3.

A question was asked as to how decisions are made for closures, charge line changes and mergers. She advised that the decisions are made in partnership with the local church.

Bishop Holston prayed for these churches and their members.

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MERGER OF
Brown Chapel United Methodist Church, GCFA # 957005
Heaven Gate United Methodist Church, GCFA # 957107
St. James United Methodist Church, GCFA # 956991
to become
THE BROOK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH,
Murrells Inlet, South Carolina
Marion District

Whereas Brown Chapel, Heaven Gate, and St. James United Methodist Church located in the Marion District have been organized as the Brookgreen Charge for many years.
Whereas each church held a separate church conference on Sunday, December 5, 2021, and each church by written ballot approved a "Plan of Union" to merge the three churches effective January 1, 2022 to become The Brook United Methodist Church.
Whereas the merger has been approved by Rev. Timothy Rogers, Superintendent of the Marion District.
Whereas the “Plan of Union” directed that all property, both real and personal, would become the property of the newly merged church (The Brook UMC), and directed the trustees to execute any necessary documents to compete these transfers.

It is therefore resolved that Brown Chapel, Heaven Gate, and St. James United Methodist Church, pursuant to Paragraph 2546 of The Book of Discipline (2016), shall be merged to become The Brook United Methodist Church effective January 1, 2022.

All property, both real and personal, (including all archives and records) of Brown Chapel United Methodist Church, Heaven Gate United Methodist Church, and St. James United Methodist Church shall be transferred to The Brook United Methodist Church. The District Superintendent of the Marion District and/or any two members of the trustees of the three named churches are authorized to execute any documents to include any deeds or other legal documents necessary to effectuate these transfers.

The Bishop and District Superintendents of the South Carolina Conference agree and consent to the merger of these churches.

Adopted and approved this 15th day of December, 2021.

Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson
Secretary of the Cabinet of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

I have reviewed this resolution and I consent.
Bishop L. Jonathan Holston
South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE AD INTERIM CLOSURE OF CHEROKEE PLACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
2105 Cosgrove Avenue, North Charleston, SC 29405 Charleston District
GCFA #271445

Whereas Cherokee Place United Methodist Church located in the Charleston District no longer serves the purpose for which it was organized; the local church is no longer financially sustainable by its members, is no longer in a position to foresee such long-term sustainability as well as the ability to be active in the life of the community, declining membership, and inability to sustain a vibrant faith community. The District Superintendent certifies that the procedures as set forth in Section 2549 of The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church (2016) have been complied with.

Whereas there are exigent circumstances present to support the (ad interim) closure of this church pursuant to section 2549 (3)(b) of The Book of Discipline. These include the need to preserve and protect the building and to preserve the limited and existing funds of the church. The church does not have the means to maintain or insure this property and services will no longer be held at this location after December 24, 2021. The Conference Trustees have been asked to consider granting permission for the remnant congregation to meet on Sunday mornings for a worship service through December 2021, with a closing service on December 24, 2021.

All property of Cherokee Place United Methodist Church shall be transferred to Trustees of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church and the District Superintendent of the Charleston District and/or any two members of the Conference Board of Trustees are authorized to execute any documents to include any deeds or other legal documents to effectuate this transfer.

Resolved, pursuant to the authority granted to authorize (ad interim) closure of a church under section 2549 (3)(b) of The Book of Discipline, the majority of the District Superintendents agree and consent to the closure of this property.

Adopted and approved this 21st day of September, 2021.

Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson
Secretary of the Cabinet of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

I have reviewed this resolution and I consent.
Bishop L. Jonathan Holston
South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church
A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE AD INTERIM CLOSURE OF  
LYNNWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, GCFA # 278583 
1753 Lynnwood Drive, Lancaster, SC 29720 
Rock Hill District

Whereas Lynnwood United Methodist Church located in the Rock Hill District no longer serves the purpose for which it was organized. The District Superintendent certifies that the procedures as set forth in Section 2549 of The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church (2016) have been complied with.

Whereas there are exigent circumstances present to support the ad interim closure of this church pursuant to section 2549 (3)(b) of The Book of Discipline (2016). These include the need to preserve and protect the land and to preserve the limited and existing funds of the church. The church does not have the means to maintain or insure this property and services are no longer being held at this location.

All property of Lynnwood United Methodist Church shall be transferred to Trustees of the Grace United Methodist Church, 1905 Country Club Road, Lancaster, SC 29720 (GCFA #278504). The District Superintendent of the Rock Hill District and/or any two members of the Grace Board of Trustees are authorized to execute any documents to include any deeds or other legal documents to effectuate this transfer.

Resolved, pursuant to the authority granted to authorize ad interim closure of a church under section 2549 (3)(b) of The Book of Discipline (2016), the majority of the District Superintendents agree and consent to the closure of this property.

Adopted and approved this 30th day of November, 2021.

Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson
Secretary of the Cabinet of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

I have reviewed this resolution and I consent.
Bishop L. Jonathan Holston
South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

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A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE AD INTERIM CLOSURE OF  
ST. JOHN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
2865 Highway 178, North, SC 29112-8699 Orangeburg District  
GCFA #278036

Whereas St. John United Methodist Church located in the Orangeburg District no longer serves the purpose for which it was organized; the local church is no longer financially sustainable by its members, is no longer in a position to foresee such long-term sustainability as well as the ability to be active in the life of the community, declining membership, and inability to sustain a vibrant faith community. The District Superintendent certifies that the procedures as set forth in Section 2549 of The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church (2016) have been complied with.

Whereas there are exigent circumstances present to support the (ad interim) closure of this church pursuant to section 2549 (3)(b) of The Book of Discipline. These include the need to preserve and protect the building and to preserve the limited and existing funds of the church. The church does not have the means to maintain or insure this property and services are no longer be held at this location.

Whereas the church conference of St. John United Methodist Church voted on October 13, 2021 to request closure on an ad interim basis.

All property of St. John United Methodist Church shall be transferred to Trustees of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church and the District Superintendent of the Orangeburg District and/or any two members of the Conference Board of Trustees are authorized to execute any documents to include any deeds or other legal documents to effectuate this transfer.
Resolved, pursuant to the authority granted to authorize (ad interim) closure of a church under section 2549 (3) (b) of The Book of Discipline, the majority of the District Superintendents agree and consent to the closure of this property.

Adopted and approved this 21st day of April, 2022.

Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson
Secretary of the Cabinet of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

I have reviewed this resolution and I consent.
Bishop L. Jonathan Holston
South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

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A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CLOSURE OF COLLEGE PLACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
4801 Colonial Drive, Columbia, SC 29203
Columbia District (GCFA #272427)

Whereas College Place United Methodist Church located in the Columbia District no longer serves the purpose for which it was organized; the declining membership is no longer able to sustain itself financially, care for the facilities, and continue to engage in ministry. The District Superintendent certifies that the procedures as set forth in Section 2549 of The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church (2016) have been complied with.

Whereas there are exigent circumstances present to support the closure of this church pursuant to section 2549 (3) (b) of The Book of Discipline. These include the need to preserve and protect the building and to preserve the limited and existing funds of the church. The church does not have the means to maintain or insure this property.

Whereas the charge conference of College Place United Methodist Church voted to approve a closing resolution on March 20, 2022,

The District Superintendent recommends that the Conference Board of Trustees explore possible repurposing of the buildings that may benefit the Eau Claire community and Columbia College.

All property of College Place United Methodist Church shall be transferred to Trustees of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church and the District Superintendent of the Columbia District and/or any two members of the Conference Board of Trustees are authorized to execute any documents to include any deeds or other legal documents to effectuate this transfer.

Resolved, pursuant to the authority granted to authorize closure of a church under section 2549 (3) (b) of The Book of Discipline, the majority of the District Superintendents agree and consent to the closure of this property.

Adopted and approved this 18th day of May 2022.

Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson
Secretary of the Cabinet of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

I have reviewed this resolution and I consent.
Bishop L. Jonathan Holston
South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

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A Resolution Declaring the Ad Interim Closure of Loree United Methodist Church
132 Cannon Road, Wellford, SC 29385
Spartanburg District (GCFA #279075)

Whereas Loree United Methodist Church located in the Spartanburg District no longer serves the purpose for which it was organized; the local church is no longer financially sustainable by its members, is no longer in a position to foresee such long-term sustainability as well as the ability to be active in the life of the community, declining membership, and inability to sustain a vibrant faith community. The District Superintendent certifies that the procedures as set forth in Section 2549 of The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church (2016) have been complied with.

Whereas there are exigent circumstances present to support the ad interim closure of this church pursuant to section 2549 (3)(b) of The Book of Discipline. These include the need to preserve and protect the building and to preserve the limited and existing funds of the church. The church does not have the means to continue to maintain or insure this property and services will no longer be held at this location after May 22, 2022.

Whereas the Charge conference of Loree United Methodist Church voted on May 10, 2022 to request closure on an ad interim basis effective May 22, 2022. All property of Loree United Methodist Church shall be transferred to Trustees of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church and the District Superintendent of the Spartanburg District and/or any two members of the Conference Board of Trustees are authorized to execute any documents to include any deeds or other legal documents to effectuate this transfer.

Resolved, pursuant to the authority granted to authorize (ad interim) closure of a church under section 2549 (3) (b) of The Book of Discipline, the majority of the District Superintendents agree and consent to the closure of this property.

Adopted and approved this 18th day of May 2022.
Rev. Dr. Cathy Jamieson
Secretary of the Cabinet of the South Carolina
Conference of the United Methodist Church

I have reviewed this resolution and I consent.
Bishop L. Jonathan Holston
South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

2022 Charge Line Changes

Charleston District
1. Close ad-interim Cherokee Place (271445) Effective 9/21/2021

Columbia District
1. Close College Place (272427)

Florence District
1. Change Bethesda, Kingstree (957541) to Bethesda, Cades
2. Change Friendship, Kingstree (957608) to Friendship, Nesmith
3. Change Hebron-Cades (275693) to Hebron-Pergamos

Greenville District
1. Dissolve the Bramlett-Owings-Gray Court Charge
   a) Make Owings (274244) a station church
   b) Bramlett (273400) and Gray Court (273524) will become the Bramlett Charge
2. Dissolve the Faith-Francis Asbury charge
   a) Make Faith (274186) a station a church
   b) Make Francis Asbury (273683) a station church
Greenwood District
1. Attach Harris (274825) to Trinity (958534) to form the Harris-Trinity Charge

Hartsville District
1. Dissolve the Lamar Circuit
   a) Attach Newman Swamp (276458) and Zion (267421) to form the Lamar Parish
   b) Make Elim (275614) a station church

Marion District
1. Dissolve the Poplar-Salem Charge
   a) Make Poplar (277010) a station church
   b) Make Salem (277098) a station church
2. Merge The Brookgreen Charge which consists of Brown Chapel (957005), Heaven Gate (957107), St. James (956991) and rename The Brook UMC. Effective 1/1/2022.

Orangeburg District
1. Dissolve the Orange Circuit
   a) Close ad-interim St. John, Orange Circuit (278036) Effective 4/21/22
   b) Attach Ebenezer (278025) and North (278071) and continue as the Orange Circuit
2. Attach Target (277794), Gerizim (277737) and Eutawville (277566) to form the Eutaw Circuit

Rock Hill District
2. Merge Grace (278504) and Lynnwood (278583) and rename Grace-Lynnwood UMC

Spartanburg District
1. Dissolve the Tyger River Charge
   a) Make Fairmont (279224) a station church
   b) Close Loree (279075) ad interim closure, 5/22/22.
   c) Attach Duncan (273422) and Immanuel (279383) and continue as the Tyger River Charge
2. Dissolve the Pacolet-White Stone charge
   a) Attach St. Luke (279736) to White Stone (279532) to form the St. Luke-White Stone Charge
   b) Attach El Bethel (279680) to Pacolet (279521) to form the El Bethel-Pacolet Charge
   c) Attach Skylyn (279645) to Arcadia (279543) to form the Skylyn-Arcadia Charge

Ms. Barbara Ware came forward to offer a PowerPoint presentation concerning future sites.
Per Standing Rule 63 the Committee on AC shall offer recommendations 2 years in advance.
The Sites committee make a motion to host the 2024 at the Greenville Convention Center.
This would be a 3-year contract. Bishop Holston called for a vote. The motion was passed:
629/215.

The Rev. Kenneth Nelson offered the following Closing Motions:
After consultation with the Bishop and Committee on the annual Conference, I would like to offer the following motions:
   • That the dates set for the 2023 SC Annual Conference be June 4-8, 2023.
   • That the host site for the 2023 SC Annual Conference be the Florence Center in Florence, SC

Bishop Holston called for a vote. The motion was passed: 829/18.

Rev. Kenneth Nelson offered expressions of appreciation: Bishop, please allow me to express deep appreciation to those who have enabled this annual conference:
   Bishop L. Jonathan Holston and The Committee on Annual Conference
The assistant conference secretaries Rev. Mel Arant, the Rev. Dr. J. Christopher Greene, Rev. Jeri Katherine Warden Sipes, Rev. Angela Ford Nelson, as well as the Rev. Dr. Tim McClendon, our Conference Parliamentarian.

The team from the Florence Center under the leadership Paul Beard, General Manager and Patricia Taira, Sales Manager.

Cherokee Place UMC who provided the lectern and other furnishings.

As it relates to this virtual conference, this simply would not be possible without the endless work of the team from GNTV under the leadership of Rev. David Woods, Josh and their dynamic team.

**Closing Motion**

**The Omnibus Motion**-This motion will be made the close of the 2022 Annual Conference.

Omnibus Motion: That any reports, nominations, or recommendations printed and distributed in the online Action Items Reports or registration material or distributed during the Annual Conference Session not previously acted upon be accepted and moved to record and that following your closing remarks that this 2022 Session of the South Carolina Annual Conference be adjourned *sine die*.

Bishop L. Jonathan Holston called for a vote. The motion was passed: 814/7.

Bishop Holston called for a break at 3:27 p.m.

At 3:48 Bishop Holston advised of an editorial error on the Omnibus Motion ballot. It stated 2021 instead of 2022.

Bishop Holston advised of a website issue which prohibited the preview of a ministerial appointments. He advised that the appointments would be available for viewing after the appointments are fixed [The Rev. Melton Arant emailed the ministerial appointments to all delegates].

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Love and Ms. Barbara Ware came forth to present the clergy appointments for the 2022-2023 Conference Year with necessary corrections. Bishop Holston fixed the appointments. Ms. Barbara Ware shared a prayer.

The 2022 Session of the Annual Conference was adjourned by Bishop L. Jonathan Holston at: 3:51 p.m.

**A Service of Thanksgiving and Memory** was virtually streamed following the closing of Annual Conference 2022. The Rev. Dr. Robin Dease was the preacher for the service. The Bishop read the names of those who died during the Conference year 2021-2022.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Assistant Conference Secretaries:**
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