

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

# What Do We Have To Be Thankful For?

God wakes us up everyday!

Health

COFFEE

Family and  
Friends

New beginnings with a new year

CHOCOLATE

Teachers, Instructors, Mentors

Our beautiful world God created

Life's adventures, both great and small



# Healthflex

## Open Enrollment

**October 29 - November 13**

Check your email (remember we only use your Conference email address) for more information regarding the Open Enrollment period and any possible action you may need to take regarding your health insurance.

Complete directions are in the email. If you have questions about your health insurance, contact Stephanie Ponds Henry ([sponds@umcsc.org](mailto:sponds@umcsc.org) or 803-735-8795.)

# District Office Holiday Schedule



The Greenwood District Office will be closed on Wednesday and Thursday, November 26 and 27, in observance of Thanksgiving.



## May We Have Your Attention, Please!

### Advisory Response Forms

The deadline for submitting the clergy and S/PPRC *advisory response forms* to the district office is **December 15**. Please be mindful of the deadline since these forms are part of appointment discussions. If you have any questions or require assistance with the submission process, do not hesitate to reach out to the district office. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Thank you to PPRC members for your continued dedication to your important task.

### 2025 Clergy Assessments

The deadline for submitting the 2025 clergy assessment was Friday, November 15.

Pastors and PPRC chairs were notified on November 17, if the pastor's evaluation had not been received. The due date was extended to **Monday, November 24**.

We appreciate the due diligence of pastors and PPRCs in submitting these evaluations in a timely manner.

**Register  
Now!**

# Clergy Cohort Bootcamp

## January 13, 2026



Meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, January–June 2026

Journey Church

1151 Longreen Parkway Columbia, SC 29229

10:00am–3:00pm

\$150 registration due December 1, 2025

*Strengthen* your leadership, *reignite* your vision, and *equip* you to lead your congregation



## Training Resources



These resources are provided as a follow-up to the District Leadership Training held Sunday, November 16, at St. Paul UMC.

Thank you to our presenters and to those pastors and church leaders who participated.

Visit the **District Leadership Training 2025** section of the [Greenwood District webpage](#) for the following training resources for

Alternate Church Structure  
Pastor/Parish Relations Committee (PPRC)  
Finance Committee