

The Fifty-Fourth Session of the
SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Organized 1972, Continuing the South Carolina Conference (1785) and the South Carolina Conference (1866)

See The Possibilities, Live The Promises!
See The Possibilities of a Seed-*Jeremiah 29:5-7*
“Plant gardens and eat what they produce.” *Jeremiah 29:5*

Sunday, June 8 – Wednesday, June 11, 2025
Greenville Center, Greenville, South Carolina | Bishop Leonard E. Fairley, Presiding

NOTES:

- All Registration will be Online. Pastors should make sure any changes to Lay Members reported at Charge Conference is made prior to Annual Conference.

2025 SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

(Added as scheduled with the Conference Secretary's Office)

SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025 – DAY ONE

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| 3-3:45 pm | New Lay Member Orientation (Session 1) attend either session
Come learn about Annual Conference if this is your first time attending as a lay delegate. | 203 |
| 4-4:45 pm | New Lay Member Orientation (Session 2) attend either session
Come learn about Annual Conference if this is your first time attending as a lay delegate. | 203 |
| 4:30 pm | Clergy Session
Active & Retired, Full & Provisional Clergy Members; Licensed Local Pastors; and Clergy & Lay Members of the Board of Ordained Ministry. | 202 BC |
| 7:00 p.m. | Ordination, Commissioning & Retirement Service
Robing for worship participants, Ordination & Commissioning Candidates, Retirees & Spouses and BOM members will be in rooms 202A. | Ballroom |
| 9:00 p.m. | Ordination Service Reception
Immediately following the ordination service. | Concourse |

MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2025 – DAY TWO

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| 7:30-10:30 am | Blueprint for Wellness
On-Site Blueprint for Wellness Screening at the South Carolina Annual Conference.
REGISTER: It is strongly recommended that you register for this event. Walk-ins are very limited. There are two ways to register: (1) Online by logging in to your Personify Health® account and find Blueprint for Wellness under the “Benefits” tab or through Benefits Access (for participants). (2) Phone: 1-855-623-9355 Employer group: Wespah2025. | Hall 1 |
| 8:00 am | Wespah Clergy Presentation with Q&A for Compass | 102B-C |
| 10:00 am - until | Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry Hospitality Room | 202C |
| 12:00 pm | Stewardship Training
The Conference Council on Finance and Administration is sponsoring stewardship training during the lunch breaks on Monday and Tuesday of Annual Conference. Our speaker is the Rev. Ken Sloane of Discipleship Ministries, The United Methodist Church. The focus of this training is stewardship as a part of growing as a disciple. The same training is offered both days. No meal will be served at the training. The training will last approximately one hour. Attendance is first come, first serve for up to 100 people. | 101AB |
| 12:00 pm | Retiree Luncheon
Lunch held for retirees and their families in. This gathering is by invitation only. | 202 A-B |

12:00 pm **African American Clergywomen's Luncheon** 102 A-B-C
Rev. Dr. Arnetta Beverly will be the speaker. The cost of the lunch is \$40 per person. Please contact Rev. Blondell Miller at 843-307-0513, blon1949@aol.com, or Rev. Doris Bright at 843-542-6543, drbright@umcsc.org for tickets.

12:00 pm **Diakonia Luncheon** TBA
Information TBA. Contact Rev. Meg Bryce Jiunnies (mjiunnies@centralmethodist.net) for more information.

6:00 p.m. **Black Methodist for Church Renewal (BMCR) Worship**
This year our BMCR Worship and Soul Food Dinner will be held at St Marks UMC in Taylors SC! Dinner will be served from 5 to 6:45! Worship will begin at 7pm. The Church is located at 911 St Mark Td Taylors, SC 29687. The cost of the meal will be 24.00 per person and 20 dollars for kids 12 and under. A Bus will be available for those who don't want to drive! it will load outside the main drop-off at the TD Convention Center! please purchase your tickets at our table in the Display Area at Annual Conference! Any questions call SCBMCR Coordinator at 743-624-0945.

6:00 p.m. **Duke Theological School Alumni Dinner** Aldersgate UMC
All Duke Divinity School Alumni and Course of Study Participants are invited! Location: Aldersgate UMC, 7 Shannon Drive, Greenville, SC 29615. Contact Minoka Yonts (minoka.yonts@duke.edu), Ken Spencer (ken.spencer@div.duke.edu) or Johannah Myers (jmyers@aumcsc.org) for more information.

TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2025 – DAY THREE

7:30 am **Holy Communion** 203

7:30-10:30 am **Blueprint for Wellness** Hall 1
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12:00 pm **Ministers' Spouses Luncheon** 100
The Ministers' Spouses will be fellowshiping and worshipping together over lunch to share and bring more love between the Spouses as a group, and to spread that love throughout our church congregations. Being supportive of the United Methodist Church is what we endeavor to do bringing us all into a more intimate relationship with God. Contact Mrs. Johnnie L. Shuler for more information (jsimani1@gmail.com). Registration forms can be obtained from district offices.

12:00 pm **SC Gammon Alumni and Friends Scholarship Luncheon** 202B
Please join us on Tuesday, June 10 in room 202-B, for SC Gammon Alumni and Friends Scholarship Luncheon. Speaker: District Superintendent Rev. Jeffery Salley, 12:00 Noon, Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Rm 202-B. Tickets \$100. (To obtain your ticket Zelle cithompson@umcsc.org or Venmo South Carolina Gammon Alumni & Friends).Your tickets will be mailed to you. Questions call Dr. C Thompson 864-704-0728 or Dr. R Thomas 864-325-9282.

- 12:00 pm **Advocate Meet the Author Book Signing** 202C
Information TBA. Contact Jessica Brodie for more details jbrodie@advocatesc.org.
- 12:00 pm **United Methodist Volunteers in Mission Luncheon** Disciples UMC
The UMVIM luncheon will be at Disciples UMC in Greenville. Guest speaker will be Rev.Dr. Luke Ryhee with Healing Guatemala. If planning to attend please make check payable to UMVIM-SC and mail to Jennifer Parker - 143 Glenbrooke Circle, Columbia, SC 29204 by May 28th.
- 6:00 pm **Council on Finance and Administration Meeting** 101AB
- 6:00 pm **Claflin University Alumni & Friends Reception** 202B
Reception for Claflin Alumni and Friends to be held immediately following the afternoon business session. Contact Rev. Vivian R. Lingard for more details vlingard@claflin.edu.
- 6:30 pm **Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary Alumni and Friends Dinner** Blockhouse Restaurant
LTSS alumni and friends Dinner, June 10, 2025, 6:30pm at the Blockhouse Restaurant and Oyster Bar--- Join fellow LTSS alumni and friends for dinner during the SC Methodist Annual Conference at the Blockhouse Restaurant. LTSS's Rev. Kermit Moss, instructor of practical theology and SC UMC pastor, will share remarks. The dinner will be provided at no cost by the Office of Institutional Advancement. We kindly ask that you register for this event. <https://engage.lr.edu/e/2025-ltss-alumni-dinner-at-sc-methodist-annual-conference/> Contact: Melanie Dobson at melanie.dobson@lr.edu for more information
- 6:30 pm **United Methodist Church Night with the Hubcity Spartanburgers**
The Hub City Spartanburgers are welcoming United Methodist to the upstate by hosting a United Methodist Church night at their game on Tuesday evening as they face the Blue Rocks. The Spartanburgers are a Minor League Baseball team of the South Atlantic League and the High-A affiliate of the Texas Rangers. They are located in Spartanburg, South Carolina. The game will be played on June 10 and begin 6:35 PM at Fifth Third Park (344 S Daniel Morgan Ave, Spartanburg, SC 29306). The ticket purchase deadline is June 07, 2025 6:35 PM. Contact Rev. Brad Gray (revbradgray@gmail.com) for more information. Tickets can be purchased here: www.fev-enterprise.com/event/Bethelunited2.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2024 – DAY FOUR

- 7:30 a.m. **Holy Communion** 203