



The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in South Carolina

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2017 “Praise God and Do Good to Others”!!! Hebrews 13:15-16

Tuesday, June 6, 2017

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

We are eagerly preparing for the 14th South Carolina Regional Conference of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). **The Conference will be hosted by First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) 1293 Orange Grove Rd., Charleston, SC 29407.**

There will be pre-conference events on Thursday, October 5th with the Conference opening on Friday Morning, October 6th and the gathering concluding on Saturday afternoon, October 7th. All churches of the Region are invited to worship on Sunday, October 8th in a spirit of unity centering on the Conference theme.

The Conference Hotel

Country Inn & Suites 220 Holiday Drive, Summerville SC 29483

Includes: **Complimentary Hot Breakfast**

Note: When calling the hotel ask for the rate for the “Christian Church in South Carolina” Reservations#: 843-285-9000 (Last date to register at this rate: September 8, 2017)

Guest Rooms for a Double or King bed = \$99.00 plus 13%tax for a total of \$111.87. Rooms include: free breakfast; high-speed internet; fitness center; microwave and refrigerator.

The Conference theme: **Praise God and Do Good to Others!**

The Scriptural Text is: **Hebrews 13:15-16**

Pre-Conference Overview

Thursday Morning Disciples Women Pre-Conference Gathering 9:00AM – 2:00PM

Thursday Evening Worship Service and Reception sponsored by the Commission on Ministry and Ministers’ Wives and Husbands Fellowship @ 7pm

Conference Overview

Theme:

“Praise God and Do Good to Others”!!!

Morning Messengers

Friday Morning

Seven Magnificent Messengers Preaching on the theme:
“Praise God and Do Good to Others!”

“Getting to Know you!” Creating Community

Community Forum: “In Service of One Another!”
Featuring Special Guest Leaders

Friday Evening Worship

Featured Preacher



Rev. Bruce Barkhauer
Minister of Faith and Giving
Indianapolis, IN

Saturday:

Regional Vision

Youth Ministry

Fellowship Group Gatherings {Youth, Women, Men, Ministers, Ministers Wives and Husbands}

Order of the Day: Election & Commissioning of Officers

Memorial Service

Recognitions & Thanksgivings

Communion

Cookout Recreation and Games at Mary Utsey Park

Sunday: Worship in unity in our churches on the Conference theme and text!

Conference Participation Information

1 Please see, share and post the Schedule at a Glance. Please pray for the Conference!

2 Please submit advanced registrations as indicated on the Registration form. **The due date for advance registration is August 20, 2017**, There will be on-site registration; however, conference materials may not be available at that time Note: Payments should be in the form of a **check made payable to: Christian Church in SC or “CCSC”** or you may submit payment via credit card online at www.scdisciples.org at the “make a contribution” link and send a copy of the payment confirmation to the Regional Church Office.

3. The financial support from each congregation for the Conference is appreciated. **Each congregation** is asked to contribute a gift of at least \$100 or more as the Lord leads you to support this great fellowship! **Each pastor** is invited to show his/her support with a commitment of \$100. See the **Registration Form** for the complete registration information.

4. A commemorative program book will be printed for the 14TH South Carolina Regional Conference. Each church is asked to purchase an ad for the program book. The ads are priced accordingly: All Ads will be color

- Full page.....\$250.00
- Half page.....\$150.00
- One-fourth page.....\$100.00
- Business Card.....\$25
- Gold Center Page..... \$300.00
- Inside back cover page..... \$300.00
- Outside back cover.....\$350.00

Your assistance is also needed in helping to solicit business and personal ads from your community. A letter and an Ad Request Form are attached for your convenience.

The due date for all ads is August 20, 2017.

5. You are invited to submit the name of a person from your congregation as **Disciple of the Year**. The guidelines for choosing a Disciple of the Year are attached. The Disciple of the Year for the South Carolina Regional Conference will be recognized on Saturday of the Conference.

6. We ask that you submit the name(s) of deceased member(s) from your congregation since the last Regional Conference. A memorial will be done in their memory. These names should be listed on the **Memorial Form**.

7. We have attached copies of the **Voting Delegates Form** and the **Church Contact Information Form**. Please respond accordingly.

8. If you would like to support the ministry of the Regional Church with a contribution you may do so as follows. Your name will be listed in the program book on our Patron’s page Use the Patrons Form.

- **Patron List Contribution: Faithful Patron (Up to \$25); Fruitful Patron (\$26 - \$50); Thankful Patron (\$51 - \$100); Joyful Patron (\$101-\$200) Wonderful Patron (Over \$200)!**

9. If you are connected with a business that would like to contribute items for the registration packets that will be given to attendees, please feel free to do so by following the guidelines on the attached Registration Packet Request Letter.

10. Exhibitors are welcome as space allows free of charge. Please contact the Regional Church Office for information and permission for exhibit space.

11. On Sunday, October 8, 2017, worship services will be held at all churches. We expect a number of guest ministers in attendance throughout the Conference. Some will be invited to preach. We will communicate who they are and where they will be preaching. We invite all churches to be in solidarity with the Conference and emphasize the theme and text, “Praise God and Do Good to Others”!!! *Hebrews 13:15-16!*

We solicit your prayers and support for the success of the 14th South Carolina Regional Conference. Your registration, presence, and participation will help make this a great experience. We look forward to seeing you there!

Yours in Christ,

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Attachments:

- 1 – Schedule at a Glance
- 2 - Conference Registration Form
- 3 - Program Book Advertisement Request Letter and Form
- 4 - Disciple of the Year Form
- 5 - Memorial Form
- 6 - Voting Delegates
- 7 - Church Contact Information Form
- 8 - Patron Form
- 9 - Registration Packet Items Request Letter
- 10 - Exhibitor Letter