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## The Episcopate in East Tennessee

#### William Evan Sanders, D.D.

Born December 25, 1919, Natchez, Mississippi. Ordained by Bishop Maxon: Deacon 1945, Priest 1946. Consecrated as Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, 586<sup>th</sup> in American Succession, in Memphis, April 4, 1962; chief consecrator, Presiding Bishop Arthur Carl Lichtenberger. Eighth Bishop of the Diocese of Tennessee, January 10, 1977. Chose to remain with the Diocese of East Tennessee as First Bishop, January 1, 1985. Retired December 31, 1991.

#### Robert Gould Tharp, D.D., D.C.L.

Born October 25, 1928, Orlando, Florida. Ordained Deacon 1956 by Bishop Louttit, Priest 1957 by Bishop Moses. Elected Bishop Coadjutor of East Tennessee, November 17, 1990. Consecrated as Bishop Coadjutor of East Tennessee, 867<sup>th</sup> in American Succession, in Knoxville, May 4, 1991. Installed as Second Bishop of East Tennessee on December 7, 1991, at St. John's Cathedral, Knoxville. Retired February 28, 1999. Deceased May 30, 2003.

#### Charles Glenn vonRosenberg, D.D.

Born July 11, 1947, in Fayetteville, North Carolina. Ordained by Bishop Elebash; Deacon in 1974 and Priest in 1975. Elected Bishop of East Tennessee, October 17, 1998. Consecrated and ordained as the Third Bishop of East Tennessee, 944<sup>th</sup> in American Succession, in Knoxville, February 27, 1999, and installed at St. John's Cathedral, Knoxville, February 28, 1999.

## Clergy of the Diocese

In order of Canonical Residence in the Diocese of East Tennessee as of January 25, 2008

**Bishop** Charles Glenn vonRosenberg Consecrated February 27, 1999

Bishop	Received	Cure or Residence
William Evan Sanders*	01/01/1985	Nashville
Priests		
Jack Marion Bennett*	01/01/1985	Freeport, Florida
Carleton Sewell Cunningham*	01/01/1985	Banner Elk, North Carolina
William Greer Daniels*	01/01/1985	Chestertown, Maryland
William Carson Fraser*	01/01/1985	Brentwood
David Lynn Garrett	01/01/1985	Annunciation, Newport
Howard Eugene Haws*	01/01/1985	Maryville
Walter Lee Humphreys*	01/01/1985	Dalton, Georgia
Richard Delano Landis*	01/01/1985	Chattanooga
Harry Martin Lawrence, Jr.	01/01/1985	Christ, Chattanooga
William David Leech*	01/01/1985	Knoxville
Charles Whittier Livermore	01/01/1985	Trinity, Gatlinburg
James Fredrick Marquis, Jr.*	01/01/1985	Chattanooga
Ellis Oglesby Mayfield, Jr.	01/01/1985	St. Andrew, Sewanee
Don Dalzell Miller*	01/01/1985	Fort Myers, Florida
Albert Neely Minor*	01/01/1985	St. James, Knoxville

Christopher Morley, Ir *	01/01/1985	Chattanooga
Christopher Morley, Jr.* Samuel Houston Payne	01/01/1985	Chattanooga St. Paul, Chattanooga
James Lemuel Sanders*		
	01/01/1985	Loxley, AL
David Edward Shirley*	01/01/1985	Knoxville
John Duncan Talbird, Jr.*	01/01/1985	Chattanooga
Hallie DeLesslin Warren, Jr.*	01/01/1985	Chattanooga
Karl Gilmore Weddle*	01/01/1985	Knoxville
James Luther Wilbanks*	01/01/1985	Signal Mountain
Robert Carson Williams*	01/01/1985	Lebanon
Charles Edward Adams*	07/16/1985	St. Timothy, Kingsport
Albert Henry Swann*	07/17/1985	St. Paul, Seymour
David Robert Hackett*	08/01/1985	St. John, Lynchburg, Virginia
Willard Searle Squire, Jr.*	11/27/1985	The Villages, Florida
John Charles Ross	12/01/1985	St. John Cathedral, Knoxville
Harry Hunter Huckabay, Jr.*	08/31/1986	Chattanooga
Albert Davidson Lewis, III*	09/15/1986	St. John Cathedral, Knoxville
John Walter Riddle Thomas*	11/16/1986	St. Peter, Chattanooga
Peter Gaines Keese*	03/01/1987	Christ, Rugby
Carter Northen Paden, III	06/27/1987	St. Peter, Chattanooga
Henry King Oehmig	07/22/1987	Chattanooga
Buckley Howard Robbins*	08/02/1987	St. Barnabas Senior Living, Chattanooga
Thomas Milton Hutson*	01/01/1988	Nashville
Stephen Hand Askew	09/01/1988	Diocese of East Tennessee
Walter Craig Morgan*	10/01/1989	League City, Texas
Paul Shields Walker*	07/01/1991	Knoxville
Paige Randolph Buchholz	10/23/1991	Knoxville
Ralph Wood Smith*	04/01/1992	Mountain Home
William Howard Paul Nevils*	03/16/1993	St. Matthias, Rogersville
David Wells Crippen	04/01/1993	St. Martin, Chattanooga
Mary Margaret Blanchard	06/01/1993	St. Barnabas, Jefferson City
Stanley Edward Carter*	11/23/1993	Sevierville
Patrick C. Larkin*	01/01/1994	Rossville, Georgia
John Howard Winslow Rhys*	01/01/1994	Sewanee
Chester Allen Cooke*	02/01/1994	Maryville
Hugh Burnett Jones, Jr.*	04/15/1994	St. Thaddaeus, Chattanooga
Kuulei Mobley Green*	07/01/1994	Meridian, Ohio
Edward James Mills, III	08/01/1994	St. Paul, Kingsport
David Stuart Bateman	08/14/1995	Mt. Calvary, Camp Hill, PA
Joel Warren Huffstetler	01/16/1995	St. Luke, Cleveland
Charles Perry Scruggs*	03/10/1995	Chattanooga
Kay Reynolds*	05/01/1995	Knoxville
Matilda Eeleen Greene Dunn	05/20/1995	Chattanooga
Betty Craft Latham	01/05/1996	Nativity, Ft. Oglethorpe
Gordon Clarence Temple*	07/01/1996	St. Martin, Chattanooga
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Suzanne Nichols Smitherman	03/15/1997	St. Paul, Chattanooga
Gene Ramsey Smitherman*	03/15/1997	Grace, Chattanooga
Susanna Elizabeth Metz	06/28/1997	St. John the Baptist
Margaret Caldwell Marshall*	01/18/1998	Chattanooga
Gary Edward Callahan*	09/01/1998	Chattanooga
Thomas James Rasnick	09/16/1998	St. John Cathedral, Knoxville
Patricia Ann Bytnar Cahill*	01/25/1999	Chattanooga
Jocelyn Jones Bell	04/06/1999	Christ Church, Chattanooga
Joseph Walter Pinner, Jr.	05/23/1999	St. Andrew, Harriman
Michael Robinson	07/30/1999	Lake Forest, IL
Harold Bahlow	06/19/2000	St. Columba, Bristol; St. Thomas, Elizabethton; St. Mary the Virgin, Erwin; and, St. Bartholomew, Mountain City
Craig Martin Kallio	06/20/2000	St. Stephen, Oak Ridge
Mary Navarre Moore	02/03/2001	Lookout Mountain
Richard Julius Brown, III*	06/19/2001	St. Elizabeth, Knoxville
Wendie Susan Scudds Jekabsons	06/20/2001	Bristol
Robert P. Henley	11/01/2001	St. Joseph, Sevierville
Patrick Bone	06/09/2002	St. Timothy, Kingsport
SuZanne Elane Shirley Seavey*	10/07/2002	Lenoir City
Margaret King Zeller	10/15/2002	St. Christopher, Kingsport
Ann Elizabeth Markle	12/17/2002	St. Raphael, Crossville
Ruth Claire Keene	01/11/2003	Resurrection, Loudon
George Llewellyn Choyce	01/30/2003	St. Timothy, Signal Mountain
Carolyn Blanche Wooten Isley	10/29/2003	St. James, Greeneville
Louisa Parsons	11/25/2003	St. Francis, Ooltewah
Howard Johnson Hess	02/03/2004	Ascension, Knoxville
Kathryn Carroll Mathewson	02/10/2003	St. Timothy, Signal Mountain
Mary Lee Bergeron*	06/12/2004	Ascension, Knoxville
Stephen John Eichler	06/14/2004	Christ, South Pittsburg
Scherry Vickery Fouke	01/31/2005	All Saints, Morristown
Joseph William Calhoun, Jr.	03/01/2005	Good Samaritan, Knoxville
Taylor Dinsmore	06/18/2005	Good Samaritan, Knoxville
Charles Wentworth Baker Fels	06/18/2005	Good Shepherd, Knoxville
Harry Lee Howard	06/18/2005	Ascension, Knoxville
Michelle Warriner Bolt	05/27/2006	Knoxville
Harry Joseph Minarik, Jr.	05/27/2006	St. Francis, Norris
Austin Flint Hubbard*	09/12/2006	Signal Mountain
G. Hendree Harrison	10/22/2006	St. Paul, Athens
Andrew Robert Rizner*	12/06/2006	Sevierville
Judith Hester Whelchel	01/09/2007	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain
Hal Thomas Hutchison	12/31/2007	St. John, Johnson City
Donald Allston Fishburne	01/25/2008	St. Paul, Chattanooga
Robert Travis	09/10/2008	Ascension, Knoxville
Katherine Gibson	10/09/2008	St. Matthew, Dayton
Kaulefille Glosofi	10/09/2008	pi. maunew, Dayton

Robert Childers	10/15/2008	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain
Robert Kelly Leopold	01/10/2009	St. Paul, Chattanooga
Julie Anna Johnson	01/14/2009	St. Alban, Hixson
Brett Paul Backus	01/17/2009	Ascension, Knoxville
Peter Muraguri Kanyi	01/24/2009	Signal Mountain
Kim Merritt-Hobby	02/01/2009	All Saints, Morristown
Howard Bowlin*	03/09/2009	Knoxville
Robert Beasley*	11/10/2009	Maryville
Steven Mosher	12/07/2009	St. Andrew, Maryville
Leyla King	12/15/2009	Thankful Memorial, Chattanooga
Wil Jonathan Keith	01/16/2010	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain
*Indicates Retired Clergy		

Deacons	Received	Cure or Residence
Charles Edward Osborne*	01/01/1985	Kingsport
Joseph Lawrence Beach*	01/27/1985	Knoxville
James William Parry*	01/26/1986	Knoxville
Louis Fernando Garcia*	07/09/1989	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain
Patricia Jane Lynes-Tway	09/26/1990	Knoxville
Stephen Lafoia Thompson, Sr.	06/24/1991	Knoxville
John Morris Wilson*	10/17/1993	Kingston
Francis Arthur Bass, Jr.	09/18/1994	St. Luke, Cleveland
Barbara Anne Harper	09/18/1994	Trinity, Gatlinburg
James Leonard Sharp	05/04/1997	White Pine
William Earl McGee	05/16/2001	Nativity, Ft. Oglethorpe
Felicity Lenton Clark Peck	06/16/2001	Christ, Chattanooga
Janice Robbins	06/16/2001	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain
Edward Scott	06/16/2001	St. Alban, Hixson
Suzanne Burch	12/15/2001	St. Martin, Chattanooga
Jacob Wade Frye	12/15/2001	St. John Cathedral, Knoxville
Anne Kingsbury LeCroy	12/15/2001	St. Timothy, Kingsport
Jill Carmen Fisher*	09/18/2004	Thankful Memorial, Chattanooga
Gary England	01/07/2006	Christ, South Pittsburg
Lani Marie Hubbard	12/09/2006	Good Shepherd, Knoxville
Amy Hodges Morehous	12/09/2006	Ascension, Knoxville
Christopher Lee Harpster	12/08/2007	St. Paul, Kingsport
William Bradley Weeks	12/08/2007	Grace, Chattanooga
Ann Gammon Weeks	12/08/2007	St. Paul, Chattanooga
L. Gordon Brewer	12/05/2009	St. Christopher, Kingsport
*Indicates Retired		

Theological Students				
Candidates		Seminary		
		Local process for priesthood		
		Local process for		
Caroline Vogel			Local process for priesthood	
Kirk LaFon		University of the	South Theological Seminary	
Postulants				
Fred "Mac" Brown		Attending Seminary in Fall 2010		
Rebecca Edwards		Virginia Theolog		
Chris Hackett		Attending Semin	ary in Fall 2009	
Ron Morton		Diaconal process	3	
Andy Olivo		University of the	South Theological Seminary	
Postulants – New 2009				
Richard Carter				
Robert Hartmans				
Ellie Pickett				
Steve White				
Clergy Licensed to Officiate with	the Diocese of Eas	t Tennessee		
(not canonically resident)				
Clergy	Residence		Diocese	
Henry Anthony II	Lookout Mounta	in	Rhode Island	
Jeffrey A. Batkin	Saluda, North Ca	arolina	Florida	
Mark Bigley	Ringgold, GA		Ohio	
Laura Brecht	Sewanee		Maryland	
Susan Butler	Spring City		Newark	
Valerie B. Carnes	Chattanooga		Milwaukee	
Fletcher Comer	Sewanee		Alabama	
Brian K. Jones	Knoxville		ELCA	
Matthew Moore	Bristol		Southwest Virginia	
David Pina	Oak Ridge		San Joaquin	
Robert Reuss	Oak Ridge		Western North Carolina	
Patricia Reuss	Oak Ridge		Georgia	
Deidre Sandoe	Gatlinburg		Washington	
Richard Shackleford	Piney Flats		Long Island	
Kenneth Sherfick			Western Michigan	
Claude Stewart, Jr.	Knoxville		Western North Carolina	
Jack Van Hooser	Knoxville		Western Michigan	
Sandra Wooley	East Ridge		Tennessee	
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Clergy Licensed to Serve with the (not canonically resident)	Diocese of East Tennessee	
Clergy	Residence	Diocese
Bercry Leas	Corryton	Michigan
Gigi Sharp	White Pine	Southeast Florida

Clergy Changes -February 15, 2009 – February 12, 2010			
Clergy	From	То	
David Bateman	Interim Rector, Thankful Memorial	Interim Rector, Mt. Calvary, Camp Hill, PA	
Howard Bowlin	Interim Rector, St. Francis, Ooltewah	Nonparochial	
Matilda Dunn	Extended Supply, St. Mark, Copperhill	Nonparochial	
Catherine Gibson	Nonparochial	Priest-in-Charge, St. Matthew, Dayton	
David Hackett	Interim Rector, St. James, Knoxville	Interim Rector, St. John, Lynchburg, VA	
Lani Hubbard	Deacon, St. Thomas, Knoxville	Deacon, Good Shepherd, Knoxville	
Lou Parsons	Assistant Rector, Grace, Chattanooga	Rector, St. Francis, Ooltewah	
Buckley Robbins	Retired	Chaplain, St. Barnabas Sr. Living,	
		Chattanooga	
Richard Shackleford	Interim Rector, St. Timothy, Kingsport	Rector, St. Timothy, Kingsport	
Claude Stewart, Jr.	Nonparochial	Extended Supply, St. Mark, Copperhill	
John Wilson	Nonparochial	Deacon, St. Stephen, Oak Ridge	

New Clergy		
Priests	Position	Church
Wil Keith	Assistant Rector	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain
Leyla King	Rector	Thankful Memorial, Chattanooga
Steve Mosher	Rector	St. Andrew, Maryville
John Mark Wiggers	Rector	St. James, Knoxville

Ordinations - February 15, 2009 – February 12, 2010		
Deacons Parish Assigned		
L. Gordon Brewer	St. Christopher, Kingsport	

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Priests Parish Assigned		
Wil Jonathan Keith	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain	
Leyla King	Thankful Memorial, Chattanooga	

Letters Dimissory Given - February 15, 2009 – February 12, 2010		
Clergy	Given to:	
C. Alex Barron	Upper South Carolina	
Matthew Dutton-Gillett	California	
Marquita Hutchens	East Carolina	
Lynn Bailey Norman	Mississippi	

Letters Dimissory Received - February 15, 2009 – February 12, 2010		
Clergy	Received from:	
Robert Beasley	Southwest Virginia	
Howard Bowlin	Springfield	
Leyla King	Western New York	
Steven Mosher	Alabama	

	tes and A	lternates to the 2010 Delegates	Convention Alternates	Clergy
ATHENS St. Paul	1959	Kathryn Clark Vivian Talmadge Merry May Scott		G. Hendree Harrison
<b>BATTLE CREEK</b> St. John the Baptist	2000	Isaac Blevins		Susanna Metz
BRISTOL	2000	Isade Dievilis		Susainia Metz
St. Columba	1961	Pal Freeman Mary Hankal Vincent Marquiewiez	Tom Hankal	Harry Bahlow
CHATTANOOGA				
Christ	1901	James Bell Grover Brinson Gay Jackson	Phillip Johnson Evangeline LeNoir Danese Sizer	Jocelyn Bell Felicity Peck
Grace	1922	Vivian Dodds Mark Siedlecki Wayne Smith		Gene R. Smitherman W Bradley Weeks
St. Martin of Tours	1968	Phil Harris John Rodgers Jennie Rodgers	Charles Mason Pam Mason	David Crippen Suzanne Burch Gordon Temple
St. Paul	1854	Suzanne Barels Bob Crates Clayton Gahan Billy Tiller Marie Williams Cleary	Al Carrico Thomas Foster Rick Govan Emily McDonald	Donald Fishburne Robert Leopold Ann Weeks
St. Peter	1958	Robert Hartmans Bill James Rob Norred	Ed Colucci Van Colucci	Carter Paden
St.Thaddaeus	1965	Brandon Anthony Dee Taylor Bob Vass	Tisa Houck	
Thankful Memorial	1904	Wallace Braud Ralph Brown Lynn Swearingen	Nancy Braud John Grant Harry Coleman	Leyla King Jill Fisher
CLEVELAND				
St. Luke	1875	Stephanie Fields Jerry Lowery Mark Shoop	Rick Hooper Anne Moss Amy Wasson	Joel Huffstetler Arthur Bass
COPPERHILL				
St. Mark	1939	Dotty Boudreaux Hays Mary Alice Merrill Jane Moore	Elizabeth Carter Richard Moore	Claude Stewart (Licensed to Officiate)
<b>CROSSVILLE</b> St. Raphael	1995	Sally Nash Robert Zecher Irene Wiren		Ann Markle

DAYTON				
St. Matthew	1983	Danny Attle Cindy Mallalieu Jack Pickett	Ellie Pickett	Kate Gibson
<b>ELIZABETHTON</b> St. Thomas	1941	Yvonne Adams Judy Haley Marjorie Shaefer	Christy Rach	Harry Bahlow
FORT OGLETHORF	PE			
Nativity	1975	Bobbi Cantamessa Gary McGhee Meredith Hales	Linda Graydon Marshall Wilson Lisa McNeese	Betty Latham Bill McGee
GATLINBURG				
Trinity	1974	Sandy Cover Sara Donald Robert Jenkins	Leo Benson III Jim Cover Nyla Vaughn	Charles Livermore Barbara Anne Harper
GREENEVILLE				
St. James	1848	Cal Doty Bonnie Kelsey Larry Kelsey	Paul Adams Tom Leach Bob Strimer	Carolyn Isley
HARRIMAN				
St. Andrew	1957	Bill Farnham Don Gray Mary Sullivan		Joseph Pinner
HIXSON				
St. Alban	1981	Sherri Bishop Jim Shearouse Bill Tonkin	Sheila Young	Julie Anna Johnson
JOHNSON CITY				
St. John	1907	Bill Fryar John Lau John Nagy R J Powell		Hal T. Hutchison Anne LeCroy
KINGSPORT				
St. Christopher	1986	Ruth Carmichael Rob Luffman Philip Shivell	Bunkey Seay	Margaret Zeller L Gordon Brewer
St. Paul	1931	Leila Al Imad Jim Briddell John Bellamy	Becky Briddell Randy Dean	Edward J. Mills III
St. Timothy	1962	Brandon H Haren Rebekah Haren Thomas A Peters	Angie Million Johnathan Hermes	Richard Shackleford Charles Adams

KNOXVILLE				
Ascension	1957	Mike Terry-Cochrans Julie Hembree John Robertson Vaiden Taylor Joe Vrba	Randy Nichols Jim Phillips	Howard J. Hess Robert P Travis Brett P Backus Amy H Morehous Mary Lee Bergeron Larry Beach
Good Samaritan	1971	Mark Downing Jennifer Dunn Pattie Hall David Sanders	Francis Lloyd Sarah Sheppeard Don Sproles	Joseph (Cal) Calhoun Taylor Dinsmore
Good Shepherd	1961	Judy Goans Jerry Vail Bill Seay	Joshua Booher	Charles Fels Lani Hubbard
St. Elizabeth	1989	Herb Berl Leigh Greeley Kyle Lewis	Charlie Gouffon John Tomlinson	Richard J Brown, III
St. James	1933	Laura Pickens Bobbie Suttles Genoa Wolford- Bowling	Mark Campen Jake Hudson Lee Ragsdale	John Mark Wiggers Al Minor
St. John Cathedral	1844	Mark W Love Rob McMillin Tom Schaffler Anne Sprouse Bailey Whitfield	David Jones Rusty Russell	John Ross Thom Rasnick Albert Lewis Wade Frye
St. Luke	1936	Jim DuBose Nancy Mott Elwood Roach	John Mayo Walter L Williams, Jr Virginia Peeples	
St. Thomas	1987	David Ensley Bruce Ragon Carolyn Smith	Teri Foster Blanche Pedersen Victoria Tavino	
LAFOLLETTE				
St. Clare	1993	Sandra Mouron Marita Pratt	David Mouron	Peggy Blanchard
Good Shepherd	IN 1945	Christopher Robinson Maddin Corey Wejun Robinson Jo Ann Yates	Terry Childers Jan Robinson	Robert Childers Lou Garcia Janice Robbins Wil Keith
LOUDON Resurrection	1985	Kelly Johnson Monty Ross Andrew Wilkerson	John Palmer Mike Keene	Claire Keene
<i>MARYVILLE</i> St. Andrew	1948	Nancy Cain Anna Graham Kae Wrinkle		Stephen Mosher
MORRISTOWN				
All Saints	1969	Charleen Julson Raymond Lowry Rus Mattocks	Steve Julson Paige Mattocks Suzy Lowry	Scherry Fouke Kim Merritt Hobby

NEWPORT				
Annunciation	1997	Bob Minnick Ellie Hice Virginia Garrett		David Garrett
NORRIS				
St. Francis	1984	John Cole Jess Anne Cole		Joseph Minarik
OAK RIDGE				
St. Stephen	1951	Cameron Ellis Jeanne Kring Carol Skyberg Al Skyberg	Boyd Evans Betsy Ellis Courtney Manrod Jim Ball	Craig Kallio
OOLTEWAH				
St. Francis of Assisi	1993	Lynn Armstrong Deris Bagli John Rouser		Louisa T Parsons
RUGBY				
Christ	1880	Lisa Donegan Kathy Hicks Bethany Jackson	Ron Jackson John Hicks Jodye Weiler	Peter Keese
SEVIERVILLE				
St. Joseph the Carpenter	1985	Richard Brown Daniel Delph Linda Devereaux	Marilyn Spence Kitty Manscill Nikolette Edge	Rob Henley
SIGNAL MOUNTAIN				
St. Timothy	1955	Lisa Crowder Suzy Deierhoi Susannah Murdock Scott Ruth	Bill Mullins	George Choyce Kathryn Mathewson
SOUTH PITTSBURG				
Christ	1887	Kimberly Kirk Libby Pilgrim Amy Rogers	Dee Eichler Matthew Rogers Julie Wehunt	Stephen Eichler Gary England

Campus Ministries		
Campus	Delegates	Clergy
East Tennessee State University,	Mackenzie Hardt	Christopher Harpster
Kingsport		
University of Tennessee, Knoxville	Cindy Barnhill	
University of Tennessee, Chattanooga	Taylor Johnston (Alternate – Joseph	Robert K Leopold
	Slayton	

Worshiping Communities (Seat and Voice)		
	Guests	Clergy
ERWIN		
St. Mary the Virgin		
JEFFERSON CITY		
St. Barnabas		
MOUNTAIN CITY		
St. Bartholomew		
ROGERSVILLE		
St. Matthias the Apostle		
SEYMOUR		
St. Paul	David Thomas	
	Harry Walburg	
Diocesan Council for Youth Ministries	(Seat and Voice)	
	Caitlin Peabody	Alex Haralson, Advisor
	Rachel Craig	

## Section

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## Minutes

*Of the Twenty-Sixth Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee* 

## Friday, February 12, 2010 Opening Session

#### Call to Order

The Right Reverend Charles G. vonRosenberg, bishop of the Diocese of East Tennessee, called the Twenty - Sixth Annual Convention to order at 11:00 a.m. Friday, February 12, 2010, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Knoxville, Tennessee. He then asked those in attendance to find their worship booklet and stand for opening prayer.

### **Report of the Committee on Credentials - Quorum**

Bishop vonRosenberg then called on the chair of the Credentials Committee, the Rev. Harry Bahlow, who reported those registered: 45 clergy, 92 lay delegates, for a total of 137 delegates; 12 alternates and 73 others, for a grand total of 222 in attendance. In accordance with Article V of the Constitution, there was a quorum present for the transaction of business.

#### Election of Officers

Bishop vonRosenberg placed into nomination the names for the following officers: The Secretary, Rev. Canon Stephen Askew; Assistant Secretary, Laura Nichols, Treasurer, Don Sproles; Assistant Treasurers, Joseph Bacon and Merry Keyser; Chancellor, Sarah Sheppeard, Esq; Vice Chancellors, Chris Cone, Esq., Thomas Peters, Esq., the Hon. Neil Thomas and the Hon. Marie Williams; and Registrar, Ms. Mary Berl. No other nominations were made. Nominations were closed. The question was called.

#### All nominees were accepted by acclamation

#### Appointment of Parliamentarians

Bishop vonRosenberg appointed Mr. Thomas Peters as Parliamentarian and Ms. Sarah Sheppeard as Assistant Parliamentarian.

### Adoption of Rules of Order and Order of Business

The Bishop recognized Mr. Peters, who moved that the Rules of Order and the Order of Business be adopted by the convention. The motion was seconded and the question was called.

Motion carried Rules of Order adopted

#### **Resolution of Invitation**

The bishop called on the Rev. Peter Keese, who moved the adoption of the following Resolutions of Invitation:

**RESOLVED**, that all ordained ministers of this church who are not canonically resident in this diocese, but who officiate under license and who are in charge of congregations in the diocese, be given seat and voice in the deliberations of this convention; and

**RESOLVED**, that all ordained ministers of this church present in this city of Knoxville during the sessions of the convention, all postulants and candidates for holy orders in the diocese, and all ordained ministers of other communions present in Knoxville be cordially invited to seats upon the floor of convention.

> Motion carried Resolution was adopted

## Introduction of New Clergy and Recognition of Seminarians

Bishop vonRosenberg referred those present to pages 25 and 26 of the convention booklet for the introduction of clergy new to our diocese since the last convention and invited them to come forward as their name was called:

The Rev. Wil Keith, Assistant - Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain The Rev. Leyla King, Rector – Thankful Memorial, Chattanooga The Rev. Steve Mosher, Rector – St. Andrew, Maryville The Rev. John Mark Wiggers, Rector – St. James, Knoxville The Rev. Gordon Brewer, Deacon – St. Paul, Kingsport

The bishop recognized those in a process of formation for ordained ministry:

Candidates:	Patricia Tanzer Askew – Local process for Priesthood
	David Lovett - Local process for Priesthood
	Caroline Vogel – Local process for Priesthood
	Kirk LaFon – University of the South Theological Seminary
Postulants:	Mac Brown – Will attend seminary in fall of 2010
	Rebecca Edwards – Virginia Theological Seminary
	(Unable to attend because of snow)
	Chris Hackett - University of the South Theological Seminary
	Ron Morton – Diaconal process
	Andy Olivo – University of the South Theological Seminary
New Postulants:	Richard Carter
	Robert Hartmans
	Ellie Pickett
	Steve White

A round of applause was given.

#### Introduction of Convention Chair

The bishop introduced to the convention the Convention Planning Committee Chair, Ms. Mary LeMense. Mary welcomed all attending on behalf of the host parishes, the Ascension, Good Shepherd, and St. Thomas, all of Knoxville. Referring to the theme for this year's convention, "Abundance in Scarcity," Mary acknowledged that God's abundance has been evident throughout the planning. She then introduced the various committee chairs: The Revs. Howard Hess, Kay Reynolds, and Charles Fels, Program and Worship; Courtney Zirkle, Special Events; Beth and Monty Harris, Communications; Marilyn Cottrell, registration; Wylene Vrba and Evelyn Bradley, Volunteers; Francie Elrod, Exhibits; Laura Nichols, Logistics; and, Danny Harb, Technical Assistance. Special thanks was given for the gifts and talents of David Ensley, Jim Garvey, and Harry Wade. Ms. LeMense also gave thanks for the contributions of the diocesan staff. She then invited convention attendees to watch the first of four segments of "Abundance in Action," slide presentations showing "Abundance in Scarcity" at work around the diocese. The first segment featured the FISH Program in Knoxville.

## Introduction of Special Guests

Special guests at this year's convention were introduced by the bishop:

The Right Reverend John Tarrant, new Bishop of South Dakota The Rev. Dr. Anthony Bailey, pastor from Ottawa, Canada

## **Appointment of Convention Committees**

The following Convention Committees were appointed by Bishop vonRosenberg, referring convention attendees to page 8 of the Convention Booklet:

On Credentials:	The Rev. Harry Bahlow, Chair Mr. Bruce Ragon The Rev. Janice Robbins
On Elections:	Mr. Phillip Harris, Chair Dr. Tom Ladd The Rev. Joe Minarik The Rev. Thom Rasnick Dr. Bob Strimer
On General Resolutions:	The Rev. Hal Hutchison, Chair Ms. Nancy Cain Mr. Bill Farnham Ms. Toni McGauley The Rev. Kim Hobby
On Memorials, Greetings and Re	esolutions of Appreciation: The Rev. Kathryn Mathewson, Chair Dr. Tupper Morehead
Then for committees prescribed	by the canons to be appointed by the bishop:
On Constitution and Canons: <i>Terms expiring 2013</i> :	Mr. Edward Boehm, Esq. The Rev. Robert Childers
The Church Pension Fund Comr Appointed annually	nittee: Ms. Mary Berl Mr. Tom Hale The Rev. Ann Markle The Rev. Al Minor Mr. Don Sproles

The bishop noted that no new appointments are needed for the DuBose Conference Center Board of Directors at this time. Bishop vonRosenberg did thank those serving on the various committees for their service to the church, the diocese, and beyond.

### **Elections to Boards and Commissions**

Bishop vonRosenberg made the following nominations for three year terms on the Commission on Ministry: the Rev. John Mark Wiggers, the Rev. David Garrett, Ms. Adair Murdoch, the Rev. Kay Reynolds, the Rev. Janice Robbins. A motion was made and seconded to elect those nominated.

#### All nominations were elected by acclamation

The bishop noted that no elections are needed for the Episcopal Endowment Corporation this year.

Bishop vonRosenberg next made the following appointments for the Grace Point Board of Managers, with consent to be given by convention: Mr. MacKenzie Hardt, term expiring 2011; Ms. Annette Anderson, Mr. John McElroy, Ms. Sonya Minarik, Mr. Richard Spence, Ms. Martha Terrell, terms expiring 2013. A motion was made and seconded to consent to these appointments.

#### All appointments were consented to by acclamation

#### Announcements

Noting that we were ahead of schedule, the bishop called on the Rev. Peter Keese to make an announcement on behalf of the Volunteer Ministry Center. The Rev. Keese informed the convention that the author, Steve Lopez, will be a guest speaker in Knoxville on May 11<sup>th</sup> to help with fund raising for the VMC. Those who would like to help sponsor a table at the event were invited to do so.

The Bishop then called on the Rev. Chris Harpster, chaplain at East Tennessee State University, to make an announcement, along with some of the students. MacKenzie Hardt, a student at ETSU, informed the convention that they are just \$8,000 short of money needed to buy a home for campus ministries. Contributions are welcomed.

#### **Bishop's Address**

Bishop vonRosenberg invited President of the Standing Committee, the Rev. Cal Calhoun, to take the chair of the convention while he gave his annual address. (The full address is included in Section 4 of this Journal.)

The second segment of "Abundance in Action" was shown following the bishop's address, featuring the free lunch program at St. Paul, Athens, and a free fire-wood project supported by St. James, Greeneville.

#### **Presentation on Haiti**

There being time before lunch, the bishop called on the Rev. John Talbird and the Rev. Lou Parsons to speak to the needs of Haiti in the aftermath of the earthquake. The Rev. Parsons, the diocesan representative for Episcopal Relief and Development, spoke first, suggesting that one way we can all help is through ERD, which can respond readily and directly to the needs of the people there.

The Rev. John Talbird shared his experience of being in Haiti when the earthquake occurred. He has been in touch with ERD and the bishop of Haiti. ECSET has decided to focus its ministry toward Haiti this coming year. He invited those attending convention to visit the ECSET booth to learn more about this focus, particularly in Leogane.

### Introduction of Guest

Bishop vonRosenberg next called on the Rev. Hal Hutchison to introduce a guest, the Rev. Philip Sang, a student at Emanuel School of Religion, Johnson City. The Rev. Sang is from Kitale, Kenya, and is studying in order to translate the Bible into his native language. He is associated with St. John, Johnson City, while he is here. The Rev. Sang spoke to the convention briefly, expressing what a blessing it has been to be in this country and learn what he needs to translate the Old Testament, having already translated the New Testament.

#### Announcements and Recess for Lunch

The bishop called on Canon Stephen Askew to make announcements before recessing for lunch. Canon Askew gave directions for lunch and offered a blessing for the meal.

## Friday, February 12, 2010 Afternoon Session

Convention was reconvened by the bishop at 1:20 p.m. on Friday.

#### Report of the Committee on Credentials - Quorum

Bishop vonRosenberg then called on the chair of the Credentials Committee, Mr. Bruce Ragon, who reported those registered: 80 clergy, 141 lay delegates, for a total of 221delegates; 15 alternates and 112 others, for a grand total of 348 in attendance. In accordance with Article V of the Constitution, there was a quorum present for the transaction of business.

#### Treasurer's Report

The treasurer for the diocese, Mr. Don Sproles, was called on by Bishop vonRosenberg to give the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Sproles directed delegates to turn first to Resolution 1, which asks for approval of modifications in the budget made by Bishop and Council following the last convention. He noted a correction in the total disbursements for 2009, which should be \$1,714,281. In particular, Mr. Sproles pointed out that \$50,000 from the 2009 budget has been designated for the bishop's search process. Then on behalf of the Bishop and Council, Mr. Sproles moved Resolution 1, recommending adoption.

#### **Text of Resolution 1**

WHEREAS, by its action the Twenty-Fifth Annual Convention of The Diocese of East Tennessee convened in Gatlinburg on Saturday, February 14, 2009, and approved a budget for the Diocese; and WHEREAS, in the wisdom of the Bishop and Council, certain items of the Budget were exceeded but the total expenditures were less than the budgeted total; and WHEREAS, by Canon 2, Sec. 2 (a), it is necessary for the Convention to approve budgets: and WHEREAS, the budget as approved in its February 2009 Convention was \$1,746,256, and WHEREAS, the actual disbursements were \$1,714.281; and WHEREAS, the Treasurer's Financial Statements reflect all detailed records of disbursements over and under the budget recited herein by reference, reflect the best judgment and good offices of the Bishop and Council and Treasurer in performing under said budget; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that all of the acts and actions of the Bishop and Council in authorizing disbursements in excess of line items in the 2009 budget as approved by their various actions during 2009, be and are hereby ratified by this Convention as authorized and approved.

> Motion carried Resolution 1 adopted

Mr. Sproles pointed out that the proposed budget for 2010 is in the back of the convention booklets and that there would be a hearing at 5:00 p.m. for discussion and asking questions about the proposed budget. Specifically, Mr. Sproles pointed out that the formula for voluntary asking from parishes had been altered by Bishop and Council in 2009, reducing the amount being asked from all but one parish in 2010. This was a significant decrease, allowing parishes to have more funds for use locally and to encourage most parishes to meet the asking. It was hoped that 95% of asking for 2010 would be pledged by parishes, but this has not been the case. Therefore, it looks as though we will have a shortfall, requiring convention, or Bishop and Council after convention, to modify the budget to bring it into balance. Mr. Sproles also noted that our overall budget has decreased over the last several years.

## Reports of the Officers, Boards, Commissions and Committees

## Anti-Racism Commission

Bishop vonRosenberg called on the Rev. Harry Bahlow, chair of the commission, to report. The Rev. Bahlow spoke to the convention, reviewing what the commission has been doing over the last year. He then called on Dr. Bob Strimer, who gave a brief account of how St. James, Greeneville, has played a part in slavery and racism during its history. This research is an example of what all parishes in the diocese were asked to do through a resolution passed in 2009. Dr. Strimer encouraged others to research the history of their parish. The Rev. Bahlow gave similar historical facts about St. Thomas, Elizabethton. He then recalled an anti-racism training presented this past year at St. Paul, Chattanooga. The Rev. Bahlow mentioned that the documentary "Traces of the Trade" will be shown at lunch on Saturday. The commission invites all parishes to call on them to offer an anti-racism training. (A full report is included in Section 6 of this Journal.)

## Appalachian Ministry Resource Team

Ms. Mary Rhoades, chair of the Appalachian Ministry Resource Team, was called on by Bishop vonRosenberg. She reported that Mr. Harry Chase, a member of the resource team, has received the 2010 Lettie Pate Whitehead Evans Award, given by Virginia Theological Seminary to a layperson who has done outstanding outreach ministry. The Maple Tree Learning Center is a recent project Mr. Chase has worked on. Many other ministries supported by the resource team were mentioned by Ms. Rhoades. (A full report is included in Section 6 of this Journal.)

#### Commission on Ministry

The Rev. Hendree Harrison, president of the Commission on Ministry, was called on by Bishop vonRosenberg. The Rev. Harrison gave an overview of the make-up and purpose of the Commission on Ministry. It helps all the baptized to discern what ministry each is called to do. The commission has a new challenge as the diocese goes through the transition of electing a new bishop. It will not be conducting formal discernment retreats during this time. But, it will continue to encourage discernment in many other ways. (A full report is included in Section 6 of this Journal.)

## **Companion Diocese Committee**

Bishop vonRosenberg next called on Becky Blankenbeckler, of Good Shepherd Church, Knoxville. The Rev. Stephen Eichler, chair of the Companion Diocese Committee, could not be present. Ms. Blankenbeckler shared the experience a number of parishioners from her church had this past summer in South Dakota, where they helped repair and paint Holy Innocents Church, in Parmelee. She also encouraged other parishes of our diocese to help in the planning and support of an event at Grace Point this next summer, at which Native Americans from South Dakota are to be invited. Ms. Blankenbeckler then introduced the bishop of South Dakota, the Rt. Rev. John Tarrant, who addressed the convention and encouraged the continuation of our companion relationship. Bishop vonRosenberg offered Bishop Tarrant a small gift as a token of friendship. (A full report is included in Section 6 of this Journal.)

### Presentation by the Rev. Dr. Anthony Bailey

The Rev. Charles Fels was then called on by the bishop to introduce the special speaker for this convention. The Rev. Dr. Bailey, the Coordinating Minister at Parkdale United Church in Ottawa, Canada, gave a moving, informative, and challenging address. Taking a fresh look at the stories of the Bible, he suggested that there is abundance all around us if we take a fresh perspective. What God gives us is enough; God does not promise us a surplus. We must work for redistribution in many areas. Following Dr. Bailey's presentation, there was time for questions, discussion at the tables, and then sharing. Bishop vonRosenberg thanked Dr. Bailey and offered him a small token of appreciation.

### Final Call for Nominations

Bishop vonRosenberg asked for any additional nominations from the floor of convention, with the exception of clergy nominations for Bishop and Council, which cannot be made until lay members are elected. The Rev. Craig Kallio of St. Stephen, Oak Ridge, nominated Mr. Cameron Ellis, also of St. Stephen, Oak Ridge, for the Bishop and Council lay position in the Middle East. The Rev. Donald Fishburne of St. Paul,

Chattanooga, nominated Ms. Andrea Odle of St. Paul, for the unexpired term for lay member of the Standing Committee. A motion was made and seconded to close nominations.

#### **Motion carried**

#### **Report of the Elections Committee**

Bishop vonRosenberg called on Mr. Phillip Harris, chair of the Committee on Elections, for the initial report. Mr. Harris began by introducing the members of the committee. He then reported that for Bishop and Council, we have nominated for the lay position for Middle East, Cameron Ellis, and for the lay position South East, Arline Caliger, who are both unopposed. Therefore, Mr. Harris moved that they be elected by acclamation.

#### Motion carried Elected by acclamation

For Standing Committee, Mr. Harris reported that Scherry Fouke is unopposed for the clergy position, and therefore, that she be elected by acclamation.

Motion carried Elected by acclamation

For the Standing Committee unexpired clergy position, Peter Keese is unopposed. Mr. Harris moved that he be elected by acclamation.

Motion carried Elected by acclamation

Andrea Odle is unopposed for the Standing Committee unexpired lay position. Mr. Harris moved that she also be elected by acclamation.

Motion carried Elected by acclamation

Then for Ecclesiastical Trial Court, Mr. Harris reported that we have nominations for two of three clergy positions, Art Bass and Craig Kallio, and one of two lay positions, Lida Barrett. He moved that they be elected by acclamation.

Motion carried Elected by acclamation

Mr. Harris then asked for all others who have been nominated to come forward and be introduced.

Standing Committee Lay: Ms. Suzy Deierhoi, Ms, Mary LeMense, Ms. Christopher Robinson, Mr. Harry Wade

*Trustee, University of the South:* Mr. Chris Cone, Mr. David Padilla, Ms. Lee Phillips

In conclusion, Mr. Harris reminded everyone that only registered delegates are able to vote. Alternates who are taking the place of delegates must register as such before convention begins tomorrow.

### Final Call for Resolutions

Bishop vonRosenberg next called for any additional resolutions from the floor of convention. The Rev. Gordon Brewer of St. Paul, Kingsport, presented a resolution proposing the Last Sunday after the Epiphany as Episcopal Appalachian Ministries Sunday. No additional resolutions offered, the motion to accept the resolution for consideration was made and seconded to close the floor for resolutions.

Motion carried

#### **Report of the Committee on General Resolutions**

Bishop vonRosenberg then asked for a report from the Resolutions Committee. The Rev. Hal Hutchison, chair, reported that besides the resolution just presented, there are five other resolutions before the convention. These will be considered at the hearings beginning at 5:00 p.m.

#### **Report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons**

Noting that the chair of the Committee on Constitution and Canons has been delayed, the Bishop asked if anyone else could report for that committee. The chancellor, Sarah Sheppeard, reported. She explained that Resolution 3 addressed the need to reduce the positions on Bishop and Council. Resolution 4 deals with clergy discipline, modifying our canons to be consistent with changes in the canons of The Episcopal Church. Resolution 5 modifies the canon on the election of a new bishop. These will be discussed further at the hearings.

#### **Announcements**

Bishop vonRosenberg called on Canon Askew, Secretary of Convention, to give a few announcements. He reminded convention that hearings will take place at 5:00 p.m., following convention business. Delegates were asked to take all belongings with them so that the room could be set up for the reception at 6:00 p.m. Questions about the Foyer Dinners are to be directed to Mary LeMense. All who are not taking part in Foyer Dinners were asked to see the list of suggestions for places to eat. Finally, a reminder about tokens for parking and check out time on Saturday were made.

#### **Evening Worship**

The bishop led convention in Evening Prayer at the end of business.

#### Recess

Bishop vonRosenberg then called convention into recess until 8:30 a.m., Saturday, February 13, 2010.

## Saturday, February 13, 2010 Morning Session

## **Convention Reconvened**

The convention opened on Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m. with Holy Eucharist. Bishop vonRosenberg celebrated and the Rev. Dr. Anthony Bailey preached.

## **Report of the Committee on Credentials**

The Rt. Rev. Charles vonRosenberg called the convention to order and then recognized the Rev. Janice Robbins to give a report of the Credentials Committee. She reported as registered: 78 clergy, 137 lay delegates, for a total of 215 delegates. There were 29 alternates and 113 others for a grand total of 357 in attendance. In accordance with Article V of the Constitution, there was a quorum present for the transaction of business.

#### **Elections**

Mr. Phil Harris, chairman of the Elections Committee, was called on by the bishop. Mr. Harris reminded those in attendance that only registered delegates were eligible to vote. He then called for the election of members to the Standing Committee. Elections were held as follows.

Standing Committee, lay Ms. Suzy Deierhoi Ms. Mary LeMense Ms. Christopher Robinson Mr. Harry Wade

Mr. Harris then called for the election of the lay Trustee, University of the South. Elections were held as follows:

*Trustee, University of the South, lay* Mr. Chris Cone Mr. David Padilla Ms. Lee Phillips

## Presentation and Adoption of the 2010 Budget

Bishop vonRosenberg called on Mr. Don Sproles, Treasurer. Mr. Sproles reported that there was much lively discussion at the budget hearing as a result of holding the hearing at a more favorable time. He then moved for adoption of the proposed budget, noting that Bishop and Council will need to make changes in the course of the year as necessary. Bishop vonRosenberg asked if there was any further discussion on the budget. There being none, the vote was called to adopt the proposed budget for 2010.

Motion carried Budget for 2010 was adopted

## **Report of the Committee on General Resolutions**

The Rev. Hal Hutchison, Chair of the Committee on General Resolutions, was called on by the bishop to report. The Rev. Hutchison began with Resolution 6 - "Adoption of

G.C. D048, 'Single Payer' Universal Health Care Program." He reported that that the committee recommended to discharge this resolution, sighting that much of what it calls for was contained in a similar resolution passed by convention last year. The bishop called for discussion. Mr. Tupper Morehead agreed with the committee's recommendation, but encouraged parishes to continue study of the issue. No further discussion offered, Bishop vonRosenberg called for the vote.

#### Motion carried Resolution 6 discharged as recommended

The Rev. Hutchison then called attention to Resolution 7 – "Adoption of General Convention Resolution DO60, Reject Nuclear Options." The Rev. Hutchinson shared with convention a substitute resolution recommended by the committee, using the wording of G.C. DO60. The floor was opened for discussion. The Rev. Craig Kallio expressed concern about demonizing Oak Ridge Laboratories. The Rev. Rob Henley noted the need for ongoing discussion of our fears. Ms. Nancy Mott stated support for the resolution but without directing blame. There being no further discussion, the vote was called for.

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Diocese of East Tennessee commend the President's recent invitation to nations to scale down the world's nuclear weapons stockpile; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That this Convention call upon U.S. policy makers to determine a timely process for the dismantling of existing U.S. nuclear weapons while urging other nations to do likewise; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That this church urge the President and Congress to explore a moratorium on production of new nuclear arms.

> Motion carried Substitute Resolution 7 adopted

Next, the Rev. Hutchison presented the committee's report on Resolution 8 – "Rethinking Strategy in Afghanistan," stating that it recommended to reject this resolution. There being no discussion, the vote was called.

#### Motion carried Resolution 8 discharged as recommended

Moving to Resolution 9 – "Peace with Justice in Gaza," it was reported that the committee recommended a substitute using the text of G.C. BO27, rewording to make it a resolution of this convention and add a resolve to have the secretary of this convention forward this resolution to the Executive Council of The Episcopal Church. After some discussion the bishop called for the vote.

# <u>Resolved</u>, that this 26<sup>th</sup> convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee, considering the Church's mission to promote peace for all God's people,

warmly applaud the initiative of President Barack Obama and his Middle East envoy, George Mitchell, to bring stronger and more resolute American diplomatic leadership to the cause of peace between Israel and Palestine and to the Middle East; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That we express our appreciation to Bishop Suheil Dawani and the Diocese of Jerusalem for their ongoing witness and dedication to reconciliation and peace; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That the 26<sup>th</sup> convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee acknowledge the tragic histories of the Jewish and Palestinian peoples as victims of injustice, wars, dispersion and exile, the existential fear and insecurity this has created for both peoples, and the distress their conflict has caused throughout the Middle East; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That this convention respect the profound commitment of Israelis and Palestinians to the land they regard as their homeland; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That this Convention call upon Israelis and Palestinians to recognize one another's right to statehood, economic viability, and security, and that all other nations do likewise; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That this Convention call for the cessation of violence by all Palestinians and Israelis; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That this Convention call on the Government of the United States of America to practice financial transparency in all of its aid to Palestinians and to Israel; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That this Convention call for the end of the air, water and land blockade of the Gaza Strip thereby permitting free and uninhibited access for all humanitarian assistance, for educational, reconstruction and development materials and for ordinary trade; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That this Convention call for the wall in whatever its form around and through Palestinian land to be brought down; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That this Convention call for an end to the on-going confiscation of Palestinian land, demolition of housing, and the displacement of people; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That this Convention call for a just resolution for Palestinian refugees; and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>, That this Convention call for the creation of a single, viable, sovereign Palestinian state, independent of the State of Israel, comprising all of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, with each state

controlling its own water rights, and with Jerusalem serving as capital of both Israel and Palestine, in order to encourage a comprehensive and enduring peace.

<u>Resolved</u>, that the secretary of this convention forward this resolution to the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church for their earliest possible consideration.

> Motion carried Substitute Resolution 9 adopted

The Rev. Hutchison then called attention to Resolution 10 - "Episcopal Relief and Development Sunday," reporting the committee's recommendation to adopt. There being no further discussion, the vote was called for.

<u>Resolved:</u> That this 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee declare the First Sunday in Lent as the Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday, beginning with Lent of 2010.

> Motion carried Resolution 10 adopted

To conclude, the Rev. Hutchison shared with convention a substitute resolution that the committee offered in place of Resolution 11 - "Episcopal Appalachian Ministries Sunday." Following brief discussion, the vote was called for by the bishop.

<u>Resolved</u>, That the Diocese of East Tennessee, at this 26<sup>th</sup> annual convention, adopt a designated Sunday as Episcopal Appalachian Ministries Sunday during the season of Pentecost beginning in Pentecost 2010, the specific date to be decided by the Bishop.

Motion carried Substitute Resolution 11 adopted

## Reports of the Officers, Boards, Commissions and Committees (Continued)

#### **Bioethics Committee**

Dr. Glenn Graber, chair of the committee, was called on by the bishop. Dr. Graber gave a very brief summary of the Committee's work over the last year. (A full report is included in Section 6 of this Journal.)

### **Constitution and Canons Committee**

The Honorable Marie Williams, chair of the Constitution and Canons Committee, was called on by Bishop vonRosenberg. Judge Williams, first thanking the members of the committee for their work, called attention to Resolution 3 - "Title II, Canon 7, Section 3," which she explained addresses the need to reduce the size of Bishop and Council. The bishop called for discussion. There being none, the question was called for.

<u>Resolved</u>, that Title II, Canon 7, Section 3, on Bishop and Council shall be amended as follows:

Section 3. The Council shall consist of the Bishop, Coadjutor Bishop, Suffragan Bishop, Dean of St. John's Cathedral, and ten members elected pursuant to this Canon. The Dean, with the concurrence of the Bishop, may designate a member of the clergy of the Cathedral to serve on the Council for the Dean. The Chancellor and the Treasurer shall be ex officio members and shall be entitled to all privileges except the right to vote. The ten members shall be elected as follows:

> (a) Five Clergy and five Lay persons (who shall be Confirmed Communicants in Good Standing) shall be elected to serve for a term of three years. A member shall be ineligible for re-election for one year after completion of a three-year term.

(b) Two Clergy and two Lay persons of the ten shall be elected from each of the Southeast and Middle East Tennessee Areas, and one Clergy and one Lay person of the ten shall be elected from the Upper East Tennessee Area.

#### **EXPLANATION OF RESOLUTION:**

The Constitution and Canons Committee presents this Resolution at the suggestion of the Bishop. Difficulty has been encountered in the past in filling all of the elected Diocesan offices. With the forthcoming increase in the numbers of persons elected to offices established by the Ecclesiastical Discipline Canon, the Committee recommends reducing the size in the lay and clergy membership by three (3) in each of the orders, which composition mirrors the current composition of Bishop and Council as the Episcopal population of Upper Tennessee is significantly less than that of Middle and Lower Tennessee.

The size of Bishop and Council would be reduced by simply not filling the vacancies which occur at the next election.

> Motion carried Resolution 3 adopted

Judge Williams then directed attention to Resolution 4 - "Title VI." She explained that this resolution amends the current diocesan Canon VI, to bring it into compliance with the new Canon IV of The Episcopal Church, passed at the 2009 General Convention. One amendment was made in Section 2.05 (b) after the hearing, substituting "Bishop and Council" for "Diocesan Council." With no further discussion, the vote was called for.

## <u>**RESOLVED**</u>, that the language of Title VI be amended by replacing the current Title VI with the following language:

CANON 1 <u>Title IV of General Canons</u>. Those provisions of Title IV of the General Canons which are applicable to the Diocese are hereby incorporated as part of this Title. To the extent, if any, that any of the provisions of this Title are in conflict or inconsistent with the provisions of Title IV, the provisions of Title IV shall govern.

#### **CANON 2** Discipline Structure

Section 2.01 <u>Disciplinary Board</u>. The Board shall consist of seven persons, four of whom are members of the Clergy and three of whom are Laity, except as provided in Section 2.04, provided that no member of the Standing Committee may be a member of the Disciplinary Board.

Section 2.02 <u>Clergy Members</u>. The Clergy members of the Board must be canonically and geographically resident within the Diocese.

Section 2.03 <u>Lay Members</u>. The lay members of the Board shall be adult Communicants in Good Standing, and geographically resident in the Diocese.

Section 2.04 <u>Election and Terms</u>. The members of the Board shall be elected by the Convention. Each member shall be elected for a three (3) year term; except that if a member is elected to fill a vacancy, the term of such member shall be the unexpired term of the member being replaced. The term of the member shall commence on the last day of the Convention at which the member is elected. The terms of office of the Board shall be staggered and arranged into three (3) classes, provided that the five (5) members of the Ecclesiastical Court shall constitute the first members of the Board until their terms shall expire at which time the terms will be staggered. However, any member who is on a Hearing Panel for this ongoing proceeding shall continue in office until the conclusion of the hearing.

Section 2.05 <u>Vacancies</u>. Vacancies on the Board shall be filled as follows:

- (a) Upon the determination that a vacancy exists, the President of the Board shall notify the Bishop of the vacancy and request appointment of a replacement member of the same order as the member to be replaced.
- (b) The Bishop shall appoint a replacement Board member with the approval of the Bishop & Council.
- (c) Persons appointed to fill vacancies on the Board shall meet the same eligibility requirements as apply to elected Board members.

(d) With respect to a vacancy created for any reason other than pursuant to a challenge as provided below, the term of any person selected as a replacement Board member shall be until the next annual Convention. With respect to a vacancy resulting from a challenge, the replacement Board member shall serve only for the proceedings for which the elected Board member is not serving as a result of the challenge.

Section 2.06 <u>Preserving Impartiality</u>. In any proceeding under this Title, if any member of a Conference Panel or Hearing Panel of the Board shall become aware of a personal conflict of interest or undue bias, that member shall immediately notify the President of the Board and request a replacement member of the Panel. Respondent's Counsel and the Church Attorney shall have the right to challenge any member of a Panel for conflict of interest or undue bias by motion to the Panel for disqualification of the challenged member. The members of the Panel not the subjects of the challenge shall promptly consider the motion and determine whether the challenged Panel member shall be disqualified from participating in that proceeding.

Section 2.07 <u>President</u>. Within sixty (60) days following the annual Convention, the Board shall convene to elect a President to serve for the following calendar year.

Section 2.08 <u>Intake Officer</u>. The Intake Officer shall be appointed from time to time by the Bishop after consultation with the Board. The Bishop may appoint one or more Intake Officers according to the needs of the Diocese. The Bishop shall publish the name(s) and contact information of the Intake Officer(s) throughout the Diocese.

Section 2.09 <u>Investigator</u>. The Bishop shall appoint an Investigator in consultation with the President of the Board. The Investigator may but need not be a Member of the Church.

Section 2.10 <u>Church Attorney</u>. Within sixty (60) days following each annual Convention, the Bishop in consultation with the Standing Committee shall appoint an attorney to serve as Church Attorney to serve for the following calendar year. The person so selected must be a Member of the Church and a duly licensed attorney, but need not reside within the Diocese.

Section 2.11 <u>Pastoral Response Coordinator</u>. The Bishop may appoint a Pastoral Response Coordinator, to serve at the will of the Bishop in coordinating the delivery of appropriate pastoral responses provided for in Title IV.8 of the General Canons and this Title. The Pastoral Response Coordinator may be the Intake Officer, but shall not be a person serving in any other appointed or elected capacity under this Title.

Section 2.12 <u>Advisors</u>. In each proceeding under this Title in accordance with Title IV, Canon 19, Section 10, the Bishop shall appoint an Advisor for the Complainant and an Advisor for the Respondent. Persons serving as Advisors shall hold no other appointed or elected position provided for under this Title, and shall not include chancellors or vice chancellors of this Diocese or any person likely to be called as a witness in the proceeding.

Section 2.13 <u>Clerk</u>. The Board shall appoint a Board Clerk to assist the Board with records management and administrative support. The Clerk may be a member of the Board.

#### CANON 3 Costs and Expenses

Section 3.01 <u>Costs Incurred by the Church</u>. The reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of the Board, the Intake Officer, the Investigator, the Church Attorney, the Board Clerk and the Pastoral Response Coordinator and Advisors shall be the obligation of the Diocese.

Section 3.02 <u>Costs Incurred by the Respondent</u>. In the event upon recommendation of the hearing panel of a final Order dismissing the complaint, or by provisions of a Covenant approved by the Bishop, the reasonable and necessary defense fees and costs incurred by the Respondent may be paid or reimbursed by the Diocese in the sole discretion of the Bishop and Council.

#### CANON 4 <u>Records</u>

Section 4.01 <u>Records of Proceedings</u>. Records of active proceedings before the Board, including the period of any pending appeal, shall be preserved and maintained in the custody of the Clerk, if there be one, otherwise by the Diocesan offices.

Section 4.02 <u>Permanent Records</u>. The Bishop shall make provision for the permanent storage of records of all proceedings under this Title at the Diocese and the Archives of the Episcopal Church, as prescribed in Title IV of the General Canons.

#### **EXPLANATION OF RESOLUTION:**

This Canon amends the Ecclesiastical Discipline Canon to bring it into compliance with the amendments made at General Convention of the Canons of the Episcopal Church.

> Motion carried Resolution 4 adopted

Judge Williams then directed the convention's attention to Resolution 5 -"Title VIII, Canon 3, Pre-Election Process." This resolution offers an amendment to Canon 3 at the request of the Standing Committee (see explanation of resolution below). The wording in 3(b.2c) was changed by the committee after the hearing to read "hold the primary responsibility of . . ." With no further discussion, the bishop called for the vote.

<u>RESOLVED</u>, that the language of Canon 3, Pre-Election Process, in Title VIII, on the election of a Bishop be amended as follows:

#### **CANON 3: Pre-Election Process**

Once the date for an election has been established in consultation with the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, the Standing Committee shall appoint two (2) committees to oversee the election process: a Search Committee and a Transition Committee.

(a). The Search Committee

(1) The Search Committee shall consist of sixteen (16) members of the Convention: three (3) clergy and three (3) lay persons from each of the Southeast and Middle East Tennessee Areas and two (2) clergy and two (2) lay persons from the Upper East Tennessee Area, none of whom shall be current members of Bishop and Council or the Standing Committee and not more than one (1) person from the same Parish, either Clergy or Lay. The President of the Standing Committee or another member thereof designated by the Standing Committee shall serve ex officio as a member. The Chancellor of the Diocese or one of the Assistant Chancellors designated by the Chancellor shall serve ex officio as a member. The Committee shall determine its own officers and leadership.

(2) The Search Committee shall:

(A) develop and oversee a process for creating a Diocesan profile;

(B) receive nominations;

(C) review the qualifications of those being considered;

(D) submit to the Standing Committee at least ninety (90) days prior to the date of the election at least three (3) nominees who have consented to stand for election and whose background check has been approved;

(E) publish complete profiles of the nominees and any other educational material deemed helpful.

(b). Committee Nominations and Nominations by Petition.

The Standing Committee shall announce publicly and in written format to all clergy and lay delegates the names of those nominated. Nominations by petition may be received by the Standing Committee for fourteen (14) business days from the date of the announcement. Each petition must be signed by at least three (3) clergy and three (3) lay persons from at least three (3) different Parishes. Petitions must be accompanied by all information required by the Standing Committee. The Standing Committee shall secure the required background check for those persons nominated by petition. Once the deadline has passed and the background checks have been approved, the names of all approved nominees shall be made public by the Standing Committee as soon as practicable.

(c). The Transition Committee

(1) The Transition Committee shall consist of sixteen (16) members of Convention: three (3) clergy and three (3) lay persons from each of the Southeast and Middle East Tennessee Areas and two (2) clergy and two (2) lay persons from the Upper East Tennessee Area, none of whom shall be current members of Bishop and Council or the Standing Committee and not more than one (1) person from the same Parish, either clergy or lay. The President of the Standing Committee or other designated member of the Committee shall serve ex officio as a member. The Chancellor of the Diocese or one of the Assistant Chancellors designated by the Chancellor shall serve ex officio as a member. The Committee shall determine its own officers and leadership. (2) The Transition Committee shall:

> (A) provide for the "walk about" opportunities for all nominees to meet with as many members of the Diocese as possible;

(B) provide hospitality for the nominees and their families;

(C) hold the primary responsibility for the planning of the Consecration or Seating of the new Bishop;

(D) assist the Bishop in adapting to and being introduced to the Diocesan Community; and,
(E) provide for the transition of the retired and/or resigned Bishop from office.

#### **EXPLANATION OF RESOLUTION:**

This Resolution was requested by the Standing Committee as, after consultation with our Bishop Search Consultant, they felt the task of publishing complete profiles of the nominees and any other educational material deemed helpful should be conducted by the Search Committee rather than the Transition Committee. It would speed up the process as well as assist in confidentiality.

> Motion carried Resolution 4 adopted

This concluded the report of the Constitution and Canons Committee. The bishop thanked them for their good work.

The bishop then called on the Secretary of the Convention to read resolutions from the 2009 General Convention of The Episcopal Church, which requires a reading in each diocese. Canon Stephen Askew read B015: Amend Constitution Article I.4; B029: Amend Constitution Article II.2, and D029: Amend Constitution Article VIII.

#### Announcements

Bishop vonRosenberg called on the secretary to give announcements. Canon Askew informed the convention that it would be in recess at 11:30 a.m. for lunch. The third segment of "Abundance in Action" would be played just prior to that recess. He asked for everyone to please clear tables so that lunch could be set up during the break preceding lunch. An abbreviated version of the documentary "Traces of the Trade" will be shown during lunch. The bishop offered a blessing and called convention into recess.

## Saturday, February 13, 2010 Afternoon Session

## **Convention Reconvened**

The Right Reverend Charles vonRosenberg called the convention back into session following lunch. The Rev. John Talbird was called on, who brought greetings from the bishop and people of Haiti in the aftermath of the earthquake they have survived.

## Report of the Committee on Credentials

The Rev. Harry Bahlow was called on by Bishop vonRosenberg to give a final report of the Committee on Credentials. The number registered: 76 clergy, 138 lay, for a total of 214, with 29 alternates, 113 others, for a grand total of 356.

## Reports of the Officers, Boards, Commissions and Committees (Continued)

## Grace Point Board

Bishop vonRosenberg next called on Mr. Ben Alford, chair of the Grace Point Board. He thanked Jerry Askew and Mike Keene, as they rotate off the board, for the work they have done over the last six years. He also thanked the Rev. Bo Lewis for his work with Friends of Grace Point. Mr. Alford also reported on last year's summer camp, sharing two small parishes accounted for about 25 percent of attendance; these being St. Francis, Norris, and Nativity, Fort Oglethorpe. Mr. Alford asked that each parish pick up a packet of information from the Grace Point booth to take back with them. In conclusion, Mr. Alford introduced Mr. Jim Powell, the interim camp director.

Mr. Powell shared some of his impressions about Grace Point, comparing his first visit a number of years ago with his most recent visit as interim director. His first visit was seen as one of abundance. His impression remains – Grace Point is a place of abundance, even more abundance than before. But, he now sees it from a different perspective as interim director, with new ideas and vision.

Mr. Alford then introduced a short DVD on Grace Point that was shown to convention. This DVD was followed by Ms. Sonya Minarik, who spoke about the fund raising done by the youth of St. Francis, Norris, who raised more than enough money to attend camp. Twenty campers were able to attend summer camp from St. Francis. She challenged other churches to encourage their youth to raise funds for this year's camp.

The Rev. Joe Minarik spoke next about the "Jim Muir Kamp for Kids," a camp for children with an incarcerated parent. It will be a reality this coming summer. The Rev. Minarik asked for those who could to please make a contribution. The Rev. Minarik introduced Ms. Mary Muir, the widow of Jim Muir, who shared something about his thirty years of work in prison ministry.

## Millennium Development Goals

Bishop vonRosenberg called on Dr. Robert Strimer to report. He summarized grants given by the MDG Committee this past year. (A full report is included in Section 6 of this Journal.) Dr. Strimer also introduced the Rev. Philip Sang, of Kenya, who is

affiliated with St. John, Johnson City, as he studies in this country. One grant was to support several projects in his home of Kenya.

#### Ministry Development

Ministry Development Facilitator, Mr. Rick Govan, was called on by Bishop vonRosenberg. (A full report is included in Section 6 of this Journal.) He specifically called attention to two upcoming events relating to ministry development.

#### Standing Committee

The president of the Standing Committee, the Rev. Cal Calhoun, was called on by the bishop to give a report. He summarized the work and responsibilities of the Standing Committee, including overseeing the process for the election of a new bishop. (A full report is included in Section 6 of the Journal.)

The members of the Standing Committee were introduced. Then the Rev. Calhoun moved Resolution 2.

#### **Text of Resolution 2**

Resolved, that all actions of the Standing Committee taken under provision of Title III, Canon 1: Real and Personal Property and reported to this Convention affecting title to and property of the Diocese of East Tennessee or its constituent congregations be approved and ratified and made the action of this 26<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee.

Motion carried Resolution 2 adopted

The Rev. Calhoun thanked the bishop for initiating a new canon for the election of a new bishop. He gave an overview of what this process is. He then introduced the committee members of the Search Committee for this process. Ms. Lynn Schmissrauter, chair of the Search Committee, was introduced and updated the convention on the election process, using a Power Point presentation. She asked for input from members of the convention and the diocese as they move forward.

Following Ms. Schmissrauter's report, the Rev. Calhoun introduced the Transition Committee for the bishop's election. The chair of this committee is the Rev. Maggie Zeller. The Rev. Calhoun emphasized the need to choose and report delegates in a timely way for next year's convention, when the bishop's election will be held. He then introduced the members of the Standing Committee and thanked them for their work.

### Stewardship Commission

Bishop vonRosenberg then called on the Rev. Buckley Robbins and Mr. Herb Berl to give their report on the work of the Stewardship Commission. The Rev. Robbins summarized the purpose of the Stewardship Commission. Mr. Herb Berl gave an overview of this past year's work of the commission. He emphasized the benefit of the Legacy Society, which encourages persons to leave a bequest to the church. He then offered to each parish a gift from the commission, a guide to planned giving. Finally, Mr. Berl introduced the new co-chairs of the commission, Ms. Daphne Murdock and the Rev. Howard Bowlin.

## Youth Action Council

Mr. Alex Haralson, Youth Ministry Coordinator, was called on by the bishop to give a report for the Diocesan Council for Youth Ministry. Mr. Haralson shared a story about the "boogie men" in our lives. For some this is scarcity. But, Mr. Haralson suggested that there is no scarcity, particularly with regard to youth. This summer, the Diocese of East Tennessee will host the Provincial Youth Event. He challenged the convention to connect the youth of our parishes with something larger through the upcoming events offered in the diocese and beyond.

The bishop called on the Rev. Chris Harpster to give an update on the funds raised for the college ministry center at ETSU. He announced that all but \$5,000 has been raised and thanked those who have contributed.

## **Report of the Elections Committee**

Mr. Phil Harris, chair of the Elections Committee, was called on by the bishop to give a report. He gave a summary of the elections, including the results of the contested positions:

*Standing Committee, lay* Ms. Christopher Robinson

*Trustee, University of the South, lay* Ms. Lee Phillips

Mr. Harris thanked the members of the Elections Committee for their work.

## Report of the Chaplain to Retired Clergy and Surviving Spouses

Bishop vonRosenberg called on the Rev. Peter Keese to give the report concerning retired clergy and surviving spouses. He reported that we have an abundance of wisdom and experience among 70 or so retired clergy in our diocese. The Rev. Maggie Zeller and the Rev. Perry Scruggs, who have helped over the past few years, are no longer able to serve. In light of this, the Rev. Peter Keese was glad to hear that the Clergy and Family Nurture and Support Committee has been reactivated. He also gave thanks for the diocesan support for health insurance supplements for retired clergy.

## *Report of the Committee on Memorials, Greetings, and Resolutions of Appreciation*

Bishop vonRosenberg called on the Rev. Kathryn Mathewson and Dr. Tupper Morehead to give their report. The Rev. Mathewson began with an announcement for the Christian Formation conference, "Soul Food," to be offered this spring. She then offered the following resolutions to be adopted by convention.

### **Resolutions of Appreciation for Convention Leadership**

Be it here resolved that the 26<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee express its appreciation to those members of the Convention Arrangements Committee whose gifted leadership fostered this convention of ordered deliberation and creative celebration:

**Chair of Convention Planning – Mary LeMense** Clergy-Spouse Committee - Annie vonRosenberg, Bishop's spouse **Communications – Monty & Beth Harris Exhibits – Francie Elrod** Program & Worship – The Rev. Charles Fels, the Rev. Howard Hess, and the Rev. Kay **Reynolds Registration – Marilyn Cottrell** Secretary to Convention - The Rev. Canon Stephen Askew **Assistant Secretary – Laura Nichols** Special Events/Logistics - Courtney Zirkle **Technology – Danny Harb Treasurer – Mary Berl** Volunteer Coordinators - Evelyn Bradley and Wylene Vrba **Decorations – Sabra Martin and Jeanie Davis** Friday Night Dinners Coordinators - Leslie Crowson, Harry and Janice Wade **Prayer Room Coordinator – Carol Schmid** 

With special thanksgiving also for:

- -Those who prepared convention booklets: Julia Clements, Linda Minton
- -Clergy spouses who served as pages.
- -Members of the diocesan staff: the Rev. Canon Stephen Askew, Laura Nichols, Mary Berl, Alex Haralson, Vikki Myers, Rosemary Davenport, Rick Govan, and Lynn Lazlo.

Be it here resolved that our deep appreciation be offered to those whose creative and faithful gifts contributed to the communion of worship; For all those leading the worship – Lectors, clergy, Eucharistic Ministers, and musicians, with special attention to David Ensley and Jim Garvey for coordinating the music.

Be it resolved that we offer thanks for the joyful fellowship of this diocese, enhanced by the musicians at the reception – Elizabeth Farr and Rachel Schlafer-Parton; and for the gracious hospitality of those who hosted the foyer dinners in their homes.

Be it here resolved that we give high praise and hearty appreciation to the numerous individuals from the Knoxville parishes of The Ascension, Good Shepherd, and St. Thomas who tirelessly and cheerfully have volunteered their time and talent in support of this convention.

Be it here resolved that our humble and affectionate gratitude be given to our bishop, The Rt. Rev. Charles vonRosenberg, for graciously shepherding this diocese with wisdom, wit, patience and inspiring vision; for his steadfast commitment to the Church's mission, and as a prayerful companion through our journey toward new Episcopal leadership. And be it further resolved that this diocese recognize with loving appreciation the companion ministry of Annie vonRosenberg, whose gifts of pastoral concern, hospitality, abundant compassion, and sunshine countenance continue to richly bless us all.

### **Resolutions of Thanksgiving for Guests**

Be it here resolved that our heartfelt gratitude be given for the inspiring words and genial presence of our special convention speaker and preacher, The Rev. Dr. Anthony Bailey.

Be it here resolved that we offer praise for the faithful ministry of our honored guest, The Rt. Rev. John Tarrant, Bishop of our Companion Diocese of South Dakota, and for his presence as an eloquent sign and symbol of the diverse and abundant gifts which the Episcopal Church offers us as blessing to our diocese. May you bear our prayers for God's blessing and strengthen to all those people in your diocese who are suffering through this devastating winter.

#### **Affectionate Greetings**

Be it resolved that warmhearted greetings and our prayers for agreeable health be given to The Rt. Rev. William Sanders and his wife, Marlin.

Be it resolved that greetings of affection and prayers for blessing be given to Mrs. Ann Tharp, whom we honor as a cherished member of this diocese.

Respectfully, The Rev. Kathryn C. Mathewson Dr. Tupper Morehead

#### Resolutions accepted by acclamation with applause

The final segment of the "Abundance in Action" presentations was shown at this time.

### Invitation to the 2011Convention

Bishop vonRosenberg called on the Very Reverend John Ross, who, on behalf of St. John's Cathedral, issued an invitation as host for the 2011 convention in Knoxville. The bishop accepted the invitation.

### **Announcements**

Final announcements were called on from the Secretary of the Convention. Canon Askew asked that once dismissed, everyone exit as quickly as possible so that the space could be set up for the next group meeting here. He also announced a meeting following convention of the Standing Committee in the Board Room, and a meeting of Bishop and Council in Salon B. Name tags and evaluations should be left in the appropriate baskets. Convention logo bags are available for a donation at the FISH booth. A diocesan meeting of the Daughters of the King was held and new officers were elected. ECSET will be announcing a project to raise funds for clergy shirts and other supplies for Haiti.

## Closing Worship and Adjournment

Bishop vonRosenberg closed convention with worship and a final blessing. The 26<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Attest:

The Rev. Canon Stephen Askew Secretary to the Convention The Rt. Rev. Charles G. vonRosenberg Bishop of the Diocese of East Tennessee

# Section

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# **Bishop's Address** to the Twenty-Sixth Annual Diocesan Convention

The Rt. Rev. Charles G. vonRosenberg Third Bishop of the Diocese of East Tennessee Bishop Charles vonRosenberg's Address to the Twenty-Sixth Annual Diocesan Convention

### The Rt. Rev. Charles G. vonRosenberg Third Bishop of East Tennessee

Mr. President, lay and clergy delegates, and distinguished guests and visitors among us, I greet you on the occasion of the Twenty Sixth Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee. This represents my twelfth convention address – the first one having occurred on the day prior to my consecration as bishop. I thank you for your indulgence as you have listened patiently to these addresses. I commend you for your perseverance during those times. And, I assure you of my gratitude for the honor of serving as bishop of this diocese for the past eleven years.

As you may have heard, the process of Episcopal transition has begun. I plan to resign as bishop of this diocese once my successor has been consecrated, and we anticipate that will happen in June, 2011. According to plans developed by the Standing Committee, the Search Committee, the Transition Committee, and the bishop, we hope and pray that the election of the next bishop will take place a year from now – at next year's diocesan convention. We will hear more about the process later in this convention.

On behalf of everyone here, I want to thank the people responsible for coordinating our convention this year. Mary LeMense has served as the chair of this year's Convention Planning Committee. Several Knoxville churches are our co-hosts: Good Shepherd, St. Thomas, and Church of the Ascension. At this time, therefore, I invite the convention to join me in expressing our thanks for the good work that has been accomplished on behalf of all of us.

We have introduced two of our guests at this convention already. However, I want to recognize them again at this time. The Rt. Rev. John Tarrant is the new diocesan bishop of our companion diocese, South Dakota. And, the Rev. Dr. Anthony Bailey, from Ottawa, Canada, will be our guest speaker. Welcome to you both.

Also, I want to pay tribute to my colleague, the Rt. Rev. William Sanders, first bishop of East Tennessee. Bishop Sanders is not with us at this convention. However, he continues to offer support and guidance to many of us, and he even makes several visitations in East Tennessee each year, at my request. Currently, Bishop Sanders is doing well, following heart surgery in Nashville, late last year. We wish him well, and we offer him our best wishes and our prayers.

### **Diocesan Staff**

As my custom has been, I want to recognize our diocesan staff for the hard work they do, in preparation for convention and, indeed, all year long. I certainly am blessed to share in ministry with these folks, and I am personally grateful for their efforts. Also, I hope that the people of the diocese realize the good resources that our staff offers, in support of the ministries of us all.

Therefore, at this time I want to recognize and to thank members of our diocesan staff, individually. Lynn Lazlo serves as Receptionist and Administrative Assistant; Alex Haralson, as Youth Ministries Coordinator; Herb Berl, as volunteer Stewardship Officer; Rosemary Davenport, as Insurance Administrator and Administrative Assistant. Jim Powell is the interim Executive Director of Grace Point, and we welcome him to his first convention in that role. Vikki Myers serves as Communications Director; Rick Govan, as Deputy for Ministry and congregational Development. Mary Berl is our Diocesan Administrator. Laura Nichols serves as the Bishop's Executive Assistant. And, Stephen Askew is the Canon to the Ordinary. Please join me now in offering our thanks to this very fine diocesan staff.

### **Convention Theme – "Abundance in Scarcity"**

For the remainder of this Address, I would like to put on the lens of our convention theme – "Abundance in Scarcity" – in order to look at several aspects of life today and, especially, of our diocesan life. It is important to acknowledge at the outset that the perspective of this convention theme requires faith. That is, with evidence readily available, we may identify realities having little at all to describe as "abundant." However, a perspective informed by faith – along with the experience of faith – leads us to conclude that our time does indeed offer us abundance in scarcity.

Evidence of scarcity in society at large and in the church may be found, quite easily. The loss of wealth during the past two years has been unbelievable. Many people have seen the value of personal assets reduced by thirty or forty percent ... or more. Some of that loss has been recovered by some people, but certainly not all of it by everyone. Real estate, whose worth seemed ever-increasing in the past, has experienced a decline unlike anything in our memories. Banks have folded; businesses have closed; money has become tight or unavailable. Unemployment figures exceed ten percent in many parts of our country – a sum that was thought outrageous not very long ago.

Churches are not immune from these troubles, as we know all too well. The Episcopal Church – local, diocesan, and general – has experienced effects similar to those of businesses. Programs and staff have been cut; full-time positions have been reduced to part-time; and some churches have looked seriously at closing their doors.

### **Biblical Reflections on Abundance**

In situations of scarcity, however, signs of abundance do persist. Again, with eyes of faith, we may witness abundance and testify to it. The convention logo reminds us of the loaves and fishes – meager provisions that nevertheless fed five thousand people, from Jesus' hands (Mark 6:35f). Indeed, in the presence of Jesus, over and over again, abundance grows out of scarcity.

Of course, we know that Jesus' perspective often is unique, and such is certainly true in terms of this subject. His observation of the widow's offering in the temple was that "this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury" (Mark 12:43). The gift may have been small in monetary value, but Jesus saw in that gift an unsurpassed abundance of worth, nevertheless.

In addition to the example of Jesus himself, we find other indications of abundance in scarcity in the life of the early church. Among those examples, the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians seems prominent. There certainly existed examples of scarcity in Corinth and in the church there – scarcity in morals, in faithfulness to the Gospel, in social status, and in financial resources, among other things.

St. Paul reminds the Corinthians of the example of Christ, as the one appropriate to follow. He writes to them, "You know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich" (8:9). Again, in the witness of our Lord, we – along with St. Paul – may identify abundance in scarcity.

Paul also refers to the remarkable support of certain Christians, on behalf of those in need in Jerusalem, as following Christ's example. The apostle writes, "We want you to know, brothers and sisters, about the grace of God that has been granted to the churches of Macedonia; for during a severe ordeal of affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part" (8:1-2). That combination of words really is amazing – "their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity." Or, to use slightly different words, these saints lived their faith in such a way that brought abundance out of scarcity.

### Examples of Abundance in Mission

The example of generosity among Macedonian Christians reminds us how important it is, always, to try to view the world through different eyes – and, especially, when times may seem tough to us. Again, this is a matter that requires a faith perspective. The tendency in difficult times, of course, is to become preoccupied with our own problems. But the witness of our faith and the experience of our lives call us to resist that temptation, especially in those tough times and circumstances.

For instance, through the years I have been blessed to learn first-hand a bit about the people of Haiti and about Native Americans on reservations in South Dakota – our informal and formal companion dioceses. On every visit to those places, I have been humbled by how little it takes for such people to live, in contrast to the extravagance of my own life. At the same time, I have witnessed the unlikely combination that St. Paul mentioned – "abundant joy and extreme poverty." From my observations, I would add abundant faith to this mix as well. Surely, among the people of Haiti and the Native Americans of South Dakota, we may see and appreciate abundance in scarcity.

I need to add that we will hear a special report on Haiti relief efforts later in this convention. May we all continue to remember the people of that fragile land in our prayers and in our giving. Efforts to relieve hardship and to rebuild Haiti will require serious long-term commitments, on behalf of our Haitian brothers and sisters in Christ. I pray that we will remain faithful to that task.

### Abundance in Time

We begin to notice that the lens of our convention theme offers us a broader view than of financial resources alone. I suggest that we may also consider the subject of time in similar terms. For instance, our tradition is that Jesus' public ministry lasted for only about three years. Yet, out of that brief time, Jesus' ministry transformed the world. Thus, abundance in scarcity applies to time as well as other resources.

Thinking in these terms, I remember a professor from my seminary days – and this memory comes to mind for reasons that will become obvious. I was part of two different classes with this professor, and to tell the truth, the first class was not very good, in my opinion. In fact, I was not happy about being assigned to him for the second time. However, during the initial session of that second class, he reminded us that he was retiring at the end of that year. And, therefore, he said to us, "You are going to get the best I've got." We did ... and the experience was wonderful indeed. Abundance may be experienced in scarcity, therefore, in terms of time.

### Abundance at Grace Point

Grace Point has not been blessed with all the resources we had hoped for, years ago. As a result, the development of our camp and retreat center has been slower than we had envisioned.

We adopted a "pay as we go" policy toward development, which actually has served us well. However, our facility is far from complete.

In our eight years of operation, though, hundreds of campers have had their summers enlivened and their faith, enriched, as a direct result of the people and programs of Grace Point. Vestries and youth groups, Cursillos and women's retreats, and many, many other communities have become aware of God's presence and power at Grace Point. Protestant and Roman Catholic children from Northern Ireland, Appalachian children and youth, Hispanic street people, Camp Billy Johnson for underprivileged kids, children of incarcerated parents, Native American youth from South Dakota – possibilities for outreach at Grace Point only are restricted by the limitation of our vision. Abundance in scarcity is alive and well at Grace Point!

### **Diocesan Budget Abundance**

In recognition of financial challenges, the asking from churches to support diocesan ministries was significantly reduced this year. Bishop and Council made the conscious decision to live within more limited means, in hopes that local mission would be enhanced and that individual churches would cooperate, in support of our common diocesan ministry. For the most part, diocesan churches have cooperated, as they are able, and we are grateful. The scarcity which confronts us provides opportunities for abundant mission and ministry, nevertheless. The abundance of our response will be guided by our Lord, who became poor to serve those in need.

### Conclusion

These times present us with tests of many sorts. Surely one test involves stewardship – how we use the resources with which we have been entrusted. To the extent that our convention theme describes reality as we perceive it, then we have before us also a test of faith. As I said earlier, the perspective of our theme does require of us the eyes of faith.

Some questions for our faith at this time might be these. Can we give thanks for examples of abundance, even in times and circumstances of scarcity? Do we understand that the presence of Christ offers gifts of far greater value than we can earn or deserve? Can we accept scarcity as an unlikely means to experience abundance – but a means to that end, nevertheless? Will our commitment to God's world encourage us to share abundantly with those in need?

My friends, such questions of faith nudge us toward the abundance of God Almighty. In God's abundance, we need not fear scarcity. Indeed, God's abundance knows no bounds. Abundance in scarcity may represent our best, most faithful witness today, in our time. However, even as we live our lives of faith now, we can only begin to experience the abundance that God has in store for us all.

May God continue to bless us on the way!

The Rt. Rev. Charles G. vonRosenberg Third Bishop of East Tennessee Delivered February 12, 2010 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Knoxville Section

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Necrology

## Necrology Report 2010

(Those who have been delegates or others who have served the diocese and have died since the last convention.)

Dr. Nelle Bellamy, Diocesan Registrar, St. John, Johnson City

Mr. Richard Clark, St. Andrew, Maryville

Ms. Mary Coward, St. Thomas, Knoxville

Miss Margaret "Peggy" Crump, former Secretary to Bishop William E. Sanders

Mrs. Iantha McCloskey, St. James, Greeneville

Mrs. Georgia Parry, wife of the Rev. James Parry, St. Elizabeth, Knoxville

Mr. George Schollian, Diocesan House Volunteer and Volunteer at St. James, Knoxville

Mrs. Edna Silvers, St. James, Greeneville

The Rev. Michael Stewart, Deacon, Good Samaritan, Knoxville

Mrs. Joan Toney, St. Luke, Cleveland

Section 6

**Convention Reports** 

# Official Acts – Bishop vonRosenberg - 2009

Addresses/Classes Taught	
Baptisms	
Blessing of Marriage	
Burials	
Confirmations	
Consents	
Consultations	
Aspirants	
Clergy	
Lay	
Postulants/Candidates	
Godly Judgments	
Holy Eucharist	
Letters Dimissory Given	
Letters Dimissory Received	
Licenses	
Eucharistic Ministers241	
Preacher5	
Pastoral Leader0	
Eucharistic Visitors129	
Worship Leaders25	
Licenses to Officiate	
Meetings	
Diocesan	
Vestry10	
Parish42	
Provincial/National75	
Staff67	
<i>Other</i> 8	
Official Visits	
Bishop Sanders3	
Ordinations	
Bishops2	
Deacons1	
Priests1	
Other Services	
Received (from ELCA, Roman Catholic, etc.)	
Sermons	

# Bishop's Discretionary Fund 2009

## <u>Receipts</u>

Church Offerings	
Gifts/Contributions	
Total	

## **Disbursements**

Clergy Assistance	
Contributions/Donations	
Convention	
Dues	
General Convention	
Meetings/Conferences	
Publications/Subscriptions	
Seminarian Assistance	0
Total	\$13,236.26

# Nonparochial Clergy Report

Name	Morning &/or Evening Prayer	Holy Eucharist	Sermons Preached	Baptisms	Presented for Confirmation	Marriages	Burials	Other
Stephen Askew	156	43	13					
C. Alex Barron		46	36	2		2	1	20
Paige Buchholz		7	6			1	2	
Patricia Cahill		20	5					
Gary Callahan		11	11	1				
Stanly Carter	30	4						
Carson Fraser		2	2				1	
Thomas M. Hutson		7	2					6
Lee Humphreys		18	16			1		
Wendie S. Jekabsons		16	19					
Margaret Marshall	8	3	3					4
Ellis Mayfield	3	12	10				1	
Craig Morgan		42	55		1	1	4	
J. Howard Rhys		10	2			1		2
A. Robert Rizner		22	31					

# **Reports to Convention 2010**

## Anti-Racism Commission

Last year at the 25<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Convention, the anti-Racism Commission members offered a resolution on slavery, racism, and reconciliation. This resolution gave us direction to encourage parishes to identify their own history regarding slavery, racism and injustices, etc.

Dr. Bob Strimer has done some history investigation of St. James Church in Greenville, Tennessee in regards to the complicity in slavery.

Just prior to last year's convention, three members of the commission attended an anti-racism two-day training for trainers in Birmingham, Alabama, with Carolyn Foster and Jane Oasis, from Atlanta, as trainers. We planned to have summer practice but one member left the group and another had a death in the family. We continued to meet during the summer months preparing for our next presentation. The Rev. Wil Keith joined our group, having some experience in anti-racism training.

The commission trainers were invited to St. Paul's Parish in Chattanooga. Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, the commission offered the viewing of "Traces of the Trade" with approximately seventeen persons present with our bishop. Also present to answer questions or discussion were Dain and Constance Perry. Dain is a descendant of the DeWolf Family, which played a leading role in the slave trade in this country.

On Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, the anti-racism training began at 8:30 a.m. and continued until 5:30 p.m., with twenty-seven people in attendance. Barbara Ilaw and Bill Nevens, trainers from Atlanta, were also present to observe and make recommendations as necessary.

Our objectives for 2010 include filling out our membership with persons of color. Some exposure to antiracism training has been offered in Knoxville and Chattanooga. One of the goals this year is to offer antiracism training in the Upper East area. We are willing to offer this training to any church that requests our presence.

> Respectfully submitted by The Rev. Harry Bahlow Chair of the Anti-Racism Commission

## Commission on Ministry

The Commission on Ministry consists of 15 people, lay ministers, priests, and deacons, who assist the bishop with "the determination of present and future opportunities and needs for the ministry of all baptized persons" in the Diocese of East Tennessee.

Last year the Commission on Ministry met 6 times. These meetings included our October Diocesan Discernment Retreat. The retreat took place over 2 days in Loudon, Tenn. After the retreat the bishop named 4 people as postulants for ordination.

A primary function of the COM is to facilitate the discernment process for folks who are discerning a call to ordained ministry; however, we grow increasingly to understand that a right purpose for the COM is to call all baptized persons to ministry and assist the baptized people of the Diocese of East Tennessee, whether lay or ordained, in their work as ministers in the body of Christ. To that end, we hope, in this new year, to further enable and support the work of our diocesan director for ministry development, Rick Govan.

Rick is hosting 3 regional conversations on the "Call to Lay Ministry" this spring on April 17<sup>th</sup> at Good Samaratin Church in Knoxville, April 24<sup>th</sup> at St. Thaddeus Chattanooga, and May 1<sup>st</sup> at St. Christopher's Church in Kingsport. All of you are invited and most welcome to come *talk ministry* with Rick.

This is a particularly appropriate time to talk about lay ministry because we will not be accepting aspirants into an official diocesan discernment process this year. The decision to put a hold on our diocesan level discernment processes was made with the bishop's upcoming retirement in mind. It doesn't seem prudent to enter into a discernment relationship with a person in a time when a change of bishop is imminent. This does not, of course, mean that God will not continue to call people among us to ordained ministry just because we are changing bishops! If God is calling you or one of your parishioners to ordained ministry the COM urges creative and thoughtful discernment on the local level, and indeed, we invite you to contact us for assistance and encouragement along the Way!

At present the Diocese of East Tennessee has 13 people on the journey to ordination. We have 4 Candidates for the priesthood, 8 priest Postulants, and 1 deacon Postulant. Of the 13, 4 of our folks are in seminary right now, 3 are non-traditional track candidates, 1 is in our deacon formation program, 4 are hoping to begin seminary in the fall, and one of our postulants has completed a seminary degree and is now working with a tutor to prepare for our local ordination exams. The COM invites your prayers for these folks as they journey on to ordination and ministry in our church.

Respectfully submitted by The Reverend G. Hendree Harrison, Jr. Chair of the Commission on Ministry

## DuBose Conference Center

DuBose Conference Center is jointly owned by the three Dioceses of Tennessee and is operated independently of any financial subsidy. The mission of the Center is to provide hospitality for the religious and secular communities. DuBose strives to accomplish this mission by offering a place for people to gather in a community of faith.

Camp Gailor-Maxon is held at the Center and in 2009 welcomed over 114 campers from across Tennessee.

The Laymen's Conference of the Episcopal Churchmen of Tennessee is also held at the Center in August of each year. The 2009 meeting was the 63nd annual meeting held at the Center where 302 men attended.

The end of 2009 found the Center in fair financial condition. The conference center operated within a \$569,000 budget generated from gifts and user nights. The 2010 budget is in place. The Center was occupied over 234 days of the year, during which time it hosted over 106 conferences, welcomed over 4,493 people, generated 9,025 user nights and served 25,021 meals.

A twenty member Board of Directors presently governs the Center, and this Board meets quarterly. It consists of the Bishops of each Diocese of Tennessee (serving as ex-officio members) who appoint one member each. The Board may also elect additional at-large members. Officers in 2009 were as follows Buddy Adams, President; Brad Almquist, Vice President; Susie Ries, Secretary; and Ed Miller, Treasurer. Board member from East Tennessee in 2009 was Chuck Brown.

The Director is Kim Agee. The administrative staff includes Lorrie Coutu, Accounting; Charles Beaumont, Camp; Rena Terry, Food Service; and, Chester Searle, Maintenance.

### Millenium Development Goals

## **2010 DIOCESAN MDG GRANTS**

The diocese received three MDG funds grant requests in 2009. Funds available for distribution were reduced for 2009 due to the effect of the diocesan budget being slightly lower in response to the general economic climate.

A total of \$11,724 was available, representing 0.7% of our diocesan operating budget. The projects requesting grants included one new program not previously making a request – The Kenyan Women's Union and two programs previously supported by MDG funds – Osman Hope and The Children's Nutrition Program of Haiti.

The Opportunity Fund Committee recommended to Bishop and Council that the following amounts be distributed:

The Kenyan's Women's Union	\$2000
Osman Hope	\$3724
The Children's Nutrition Program of Haiti	\$6000

Bishop and Council agreed with the recommendations and those amounts were distributed.

Respectfully submitted by Dr. Bob Strimer Chair of the MDG Committee

### 2009 Diocesan MDG Grant Requests

 TMAMU sponsored by St. John, Johnson City – requests support for the TOT Missionary Area Women's Union (TMAMU) of the Diocese of Kenya. St. John has in its congregation Rev. Philip Sang, ordained Anglican Minister from Kenya. Matches the following MDGs: Poverty and Hunger, Universal Primary Education, Gender Equality, Reduce Child Mortality, Improvement in Maternal Health, Combat HIV/AIDS, Ensure Environmental Stability, Develop Global partnerships for development. Specifically the program in Kenya provides corn, beans, cooking oil, seeds and fertilizer, moves female children from the environment of genital mutilation during the season of circumcision, educational information for women about health, genital mutilation, evangelism

Request: \$3000 Awarded: \$2000

 Osman Hope sponsored by St. Paul, Kingsport – received grant in 2008. The program has built two children's day care centers and acquired a third with a fourth under construction in Honduras that provides care for 165 children in the shelters and a lunch and snack program for 60 more children. Donations can go for either care of 6 children for one year or the salary of one teacher for one year – for the requested amount of \$3750.

Request: \$3750 Awarded: \$3724

3. Children's Nutrition Program of Haiti sponsored by Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain. Program works in concert with the Holy Cross Hospital run by the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti. Program began in 1998 and was started by Mitch Mutter, MD a member of Good Shepherd. Board member is Rev. John Talbird. Money would go to the Hearth Program made up of 36 village nutrition workers who identify malnourished children who are invited with their caregivers to a 10 day course in nutrition and associated feeding of the children plus general health information. For 2010 an estimated 300-400 children and their caregivers will be served.

Request: \$20,286 Awarded: \$6000

## Standing Committee

The Standing Committee has several responsibilities assigned to it by Canon:

I.

- 1) We are to consider whether to consent to requests by Dioceses to hold elections to the office of Bishop;
- 2) When a person is thus elected, we are to consider whether to consent to the ordination and consecration of that person to the office of Bishop;
- 3) We are to consider whether to approve persons as Candidates for Holy Orders, one of the steps toward Ordination;
- 4) Persons so approved as Candidates for Holy Orders must then have our approval to be ordained as Deacons; and
- 5) Deacons who seek ordination to the Priesthood must have our approval for that ordination;
- 6) And according to our new canon on Episcopal succession, that is, finding a new Bishop, the Standing Committee is charged with initiating and overseeing the process to elect a new bishop.

We considered a number of requests for consent to the ordination and consecration of persons to be Bishop.

We approved Dr. David Lovett, Ms. Patricia Tanzer Askew, and Mr. Kirk LaFon as Candidates for Holy Orders. We approved the Ordination of Mr. Gordon Brewer to the Vocational Diaconate.

We are to consider property matters: if a Diocesan entity wishes to buy or sell or borrow against property, that entity must have the approval of the Standing Committee.

Regarding property:

- We approved changes to the Charter of the DuBose Conference Center;
- We approved All Saints (Morristown), to encumber itself in order to install a new roof (\$53,000);
- We approved St. Alban's (Hixon) request to encumber itself for an Opportunity Fund loan (\$200,000);
- We approved St. John's (Johnson City) request to enter into a new mortgage loan that substantially reduced their indebtedness (\$530,000);
- We approved a request from All Saints' Episcopal School to refinance a bond issue of \$1,400,000K secured in 2001 at better terms;

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- We approved a request by St. Martin's (Chattanooga) to put some of its property on the market;
- We approved the transfer of the property at 1110 McCallie Avenue held by ECSET to Metropolitan Mercy Ministries;
- We approved a request by St. Francis (Norris) to place their rectory on the market.

Our canons require that this convention approve the actions of the Standing Committee related to property issues. At this time I would like to propose the following resolution:

Resolved that all actions of the Standing Committee taken under the provisions of Title III, Canon 1 (Real and Personal Property) and reported to this Convention affecting title to and property of the Diocese of East Tennessee or its constituent congregations be approved and ratified and made the action of this 26<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee.

### III.

The Standing Committee is to serve as a council of advice to the Bishop, either on his initiative or on ours. He does regularly and did this year seek our consultation and advice, and we have a good working relationship.

On October 15, 2009, Bishop vonRosenberg announced to the Standing Committee his decision to retire. In our capacity to advise, we unanimously agreed to advise the Bishop (and Annie at a later opportunity) to reconsider. To date, at least, in an uncharacteristic move, the Bishop has not taken heed of our advice.

We are incredibly appreciative to the Bishop for initiating the process and to this convention for approving two years ago, a canon for Episcopal succession. We, the Standing Committee, didn't have to start from scratch to determine how we would proceed, and without that new canon, we would be here at this convention approving whatever process we had devised, rather than having the ability to have committees already in place and the work on finding a new bishop for East Tennessee already underway.

The first bit of work for us to do was to meet with Bishop Clay Matthews from the Presiding Bishop's Office of Pastoral Development. He oversees the election of Bishops. His guidance has been very

helpful. We then needed to appoint a search consultant, trained by Bishop Matthews' office, to guide the committees in this process. We appointed Rick Calloway, Canon to the Ordinary in the Diocese of Atlanta. We then had the difficult task of appointing the Search and Transition Committees. Each committee consists of 16 members, 3 clergy and 3 lay from each of the Southeast and Middle East regions, and 2 clergy and 2 lay from the Upper East region.

The Search Committee consists of:

The Rev. Chris Harpster, St. Paul, Kingsport The Rev. Carolyn Isley, Rector, St. James, Greenville Mr. Bill Fryar, St. John, Johnson City Ms. Margo Seay, St. Christopher, Kingsport

The Rev. Taylor Dinsmore, Good Samaritan, Knoxville The Rev. Claire Keene, Resurrection, Loudon The Rev. Joe Minarik, St. Francis, Norris Mr. Chip Finn, St. John's Cathedral, Knoxville Mr. Zack Nyein, St. Andrew, Maryville/Tyson House Ms. Kenny Zitt, All Saints, Morristown

The Rev. Jocelyn Bell, Christ Church, Chattanooga The Rev. Donald Fishburne, St. Paul, Chattanooga The Rev. Hendree Harrison, St. Paul, Athens Mr. Erik Broeren, Grace Church, Chattanooga Ms. Toni Mc Gauley, Good Shepherd, Lookout Mtn. Ms. Lynn Schmissrauter, St. Timothy, Signal Mtn.

The Search Committee has two ex officio members: the Chancellor, Sarah Sheppeard, and the Rev. Lou Parsons who serves as a liaison to the Standing Committee. The committee has chosen as its chair, Ms. Lynn Schmissrauter.

The Transition Committee consists of:

The Rev. Jay Mills, St. Paul, Kingsport The Rev. Maggie Zeller, St. Christopher, Kingsport Ms. Jackie Mabrey, St. John, Johnson City Ms. Diane Strimer, St. James, Greenville

The Rev. Larry Beach, Ascension, Knoxville The Rev. Kim Merritt-Hobby, All Saints, Morristown The Rev. Thom Rasnick, St. John's Cathedral, Knoxville Mr. Gregg Duncan, St. James, Knoxville Mr. Bill Farnham, St. Andrew, Harriman Ms. Carol "Kate" Jacobs, St. Elizabeth, Knoxville

The Rev. Robert Childers, Good Shepherd, Lookout Mtn. The Rev. Katherine Mathewson, St. Timothy, Signal Mtn. The Rev. Suzanne Smitherman, St. Paul, Chattanooga Mr. Gaines Campbell, St. Thaddaeus, Chattanooga Mr. Isaac Doty, St. Luke, Cleveland Ms. Butch Mills, St. Peter, Chattanooga The Transition Committee has two ex officio members: the Chancellor, Sarah Sheppeard, and the Rev. Scherry Fouke who serves as a liaison to the Standing Committee. The committee has chosen as its chair the Rev. Maggie Zeller.

Important Announcement: It seems that a number of parishes, some occasionally and some rather habitually, are late sending certification of their Convention delegates to the Secretary of the Convention. Our Canons require that the certification of the delegates must be received 6 weeks prior to the Convention. In previous years, the officers of Convention have been "gracious" in enforcing this canon. However, next year, as the diocese gathers to elect a bishop, delegates must be properly certified and seated according to canon to avoid possible invalidation of the election. So, while you may have been able to submit names of delegates after the deadline this year and in previous years, don't push your luck next year.

Your Standing Committee consists of three Laypersons and three Clergy persons elected by this Convention. Ms. Betty Quave, St. Paul, Chattanooga, a long time servant of this Diocese and member of Convention died last year. Ms. Christopher Robinson, Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain, was appointed to serve out the year. The Rev. Matthew Dutton-Gillett, St. Elizabeth, Knoxville, received a call to California. The Rev. Scherry Fouke, All Saints, Morristown, was appointed to serve out the year. The other members of the Standing Committee are Mr. Jim Shearouse, St. Alban, Hixson: Dr. Walter Williams, St. Luke, Knoxville; the Rev. Lou Parsons, St. Francis, Ooltewah, and myself, the Rev. Cal Calhoun (President), Good Samaritan, Knoxville. As Standing Committee years go, this has been a very full one. I wish to thank them for their good work; it has been a pleasure to work with each of them. Thank you for your attention.

> Respectfully submitted by The Rev. Cal Calhoun President of the Standing Committee

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Financial Reports

## Voluntary Commitments for 2010

All Saints	Morristown	26,000
Annunciation	Newport	12,096
Ascension	Knoxville	140,600
Christ	Chattanooga	22,052
Christ	0	4,500
Christ	Rugby South Bitteburg	12,832
Nativity	South Pittsburg	
Good Samaritan	Fort Oglethorpe Knoxville	13,118
	Knoxville	52,996
Good Shepherd		24,208
Good Shepherd	Lookout Mountain	128,247
Grace	Chattanooga	42,051
Resurrection	Loudon	19,948
St Alban	Hixson	16,422
St Andrew	Harriman	0
St Andrew	Maryville	40,000
St Christopher	Kingsport	14,794
St Clare	Lafollette	1,697
St Columba	Bristol	4,046
St Elizabeth	Knoxville	49,955
St Francis	Norris	8,250
St Francis of Assisi	Ooltewah	21,032
St James	Greeneville	16,000
St James	Knoxville	47,684
St John the Baptist	Sewanee	1,288
St John Cathedral	Knoxville	192,836
St John	Johnson City	45,055
St Joseph	Sevierville	8,000
St Luke	Cleveland	54,859
St Luke	Knoxville	4,325
St Mark	Copperhill	962
St Martin	Chattanooga	20,000
St Matthew	Dayton	1,500
St Paul	Athens	27,211
St Paul	Chattanooga	162,466
St Paul	Kingsport	60,841
St Peter	Chattanooga	53,000
St Raphael	Crossville	11,738
St Stephen	Oak Ridge	45,000
St Thaddaeus	Chattanooga	11,200
St Thomas	Elizabethton	4,016
St Thomas	Knoxville	10,568
St Timothy	Kingsport	7,336
St Timothy	Signal Mountain	67,417
Thankful Memorial	Chattanooga	6,000
Trinity	Gatlinburg	12,538

TOTAL

1,526,684

# 2010 Budget

### **INCOME**

Voluntary Commitments	1,526,68
E.E.C. Support (Episcopate)	102,779
Miscellaneous	22,000
Trust Fund Income (Seminarians)	9,000
Prior Year Commitment	24,250

### Total Income

**EXPENSE** 

## **DIOCESAN MINISTRY**

Bishop & Council	2,500	
Outreach Ministries	8,000	
Stewardship and Congregational Development	5,250	
Christian Spiritual Formation	5,350	
Grace Point Camp & Retreat Center	48,350	
Episcopal Institutions	3,000	
Liturgical Commission	500	
Office of Communications	73,384	
Standing Committee	3,500	
Total DIOCESAN MINISTRY		149,834
MISSION WITHIN THE DIOCESE		
Support for Ministry& Congregation Development	9,800	
Staff to Support Mission	84,518	
Support for Camp Scholarships	7,000	
Support for Congregations	64,500	
Support for Campus	68,563	
Support for Youth	55,363	
Total MISSION WITHIN THE DIOCESE		289,744
MISSION BEYOND THE DIOCESE		
Millennium Development Goals	11,623	
Companion Diocese	1,250	
General Church Objective	345,474	
General Convention Deputies	9,000	
ECW	1,000	

1,660,463

General Convention Bishop	3,000	
Lambeth Conference	2,000	
Synod Assessment	4,622	
Synod Deputies	2,000	
Total MISSION BEYOND THE DIOCESE		379,969
CLERGY SUPPORT		
Clergy Deployment	9,650	
Clergy Professional Development	8,000	
Commission on Ministry	106,192	
Medical Insurance - Retired	86,201	
Sabbatical Scholarship	1,000	
Support of Clergy & Family	5,000	
Support for Retired Clergy	500	
Total CLERGY SUPPORT		216,543
SUPPORT FOR THE EPISCOPATE		
Bishop's Ministry	136,700	
Support for the Bishop's Ministry	71,234	
Office Salaries	317,045	
Staff Continuing Education	3,000	
Total SUPPORT FOR THE EPISCOPATE		527,979
FIXED COSTS FOR MINISTRY		
Accounting & Audit	5,900	
Convention & Journal	10,000	
Diocesan House Expenses	60,000	
General Insurance	18,000	
Maintenance Reserve	0	
Property & Taxes	2,000	
Total FIXED COSTS FOR MINISTRY		95,900
CONTINGENCIES		494
TOTAL EXPENSE		1,660,463
Net Income		0

## **Opportunity Fund - Investment Account - December 31, 2009**

				Original Loan	
	Date	Rate	Term	Amount	Balance
St. Matthew, Dayton	Jun-97	5.77%	15	76,500.00	50,404.47
Episcopal School of Knoxville	Jan-02	4.28%	15	500,000.00	249,190.06
St. Alban, Hixson	Sep-01	3.40%	15	500,000.00	189387.09
St. John, Johnson City	Mar-00	4.95%	15	560,000.00	521,962.41
St. Joseph, Sevierville	Sep-00	6.65%	15	48,500.00	26,482.37
St. Paul, Kingsport	May-02	3.83%	15	370,000.00	204,838.70
Annunciation, Newport	Oct-02	2.80%	15	225,000.00	70,368.26
St. Raphael, Crossville	Apr-03	2.98%	15	48,826.00	30,041.15
St. Christopher, Kingsport	Apr-03	3.83%	15	20,000.00	12,501.51
St. Francis of Assisi, Ooltewah	Apr-03	3.83%	15	200,000.00	125,011.80
St. Thomas, Knoxville	Oct-03	2.80%	15	7,500.00	4791.26
St. Joseph, Sevierville	Nov-07	5.25%	15	20,000.00	7554.19
St. Andrew, Maryville	Jun-08	4.00%	15	450,000.00	245,270.15
St. Francis of Assisi, Ooltewah	Jun-08	4.50%	15	100,000.00	92,751.90
All Saints, Morristown	Jun-09	2.93%	15	50,000.00	48,662.17

Total Loans

\$3,136,326.00 \$1,879,217.49

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<b>Opportunity Fund - Social Ministry Grant Account - December 31, 2009</b>	Amount
Total 1988 Grants	\$ 48,793
Total 1989 Grants	\$ 34,500
Total 1990 Grants	\$ 54,500
Total 1991 Grants	\$ 51,000
Total 1992 Grants	\$ 43,100
Total 1993 Grants	\$ 36,500
Total 1994 Grants	\$ 72,500
Total 1995 Grants	\$ 79,000
Total 1996 Grants	\$ 47,100
Total 1997 Grants	\$ 48,000
Total 1998 Grants	\$ 103,401
Total 1999 Grants	\$ 94,700
Total 2000 Grants	\$ 80,520
Total 2001 Grants	\$ 78,000
Total 2002 Grants	\$ 67,500
Total 2003 Grants	\$ 75,500
Total 2004 Grants	\$ 40,000
Total 2005 Grants	\$ 64,900
Total 2006 Grants	\$ 54,296
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2007 Grants	
The Steps House	\$ 3,000
Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee	\$ 10,000
Race Relations Center of East Tennessee	\$ 500
Youth Transitions	\$ 6,000
Marion County Community Ministries	\$ 20,000
Volunteer Ministry Center	\$ 3,000
Total 2007 Grants	\$ 42,500
2008 Grants	
Community Reconciliation, Inc. VORP	\$ 4,600
Ministerial Association Temporary Shelter, Morristown	\$ 2,500
CASA of East Tennessee, Inc., Knoxville	\$ 5,000
Family Promise, Church of the Ascension	\$ 6,000
Bradley Initiative for Church & Family, Cleveland	\$ 3,000
Episcopal School of Knoxville	\$ 5,000
Cumberland Adult Learning Center, Crossville	\$ 2,900
Youth Tranzitions	\$ 8,500
St. Luke's SMILE Ministry	\$ 4,000
Of One Accord	\$ 5,000
St. Peter's Episcopal School Campbell Smith Scholarship	\$ 5,000
Volunteer Ministry Center	\$ 4,000
St. Barnabas, Chattanooga Total 2008 Grants	<u>\$ 5,000</u> <b>\$ 60,500</b>
10iui 2000 Grunis	\$ 60,500

## **Opportunity Fund - Social Ministry Grant Account - December 31, 2009 (Continued)**

2009 Grants		
Volunteer Ministry Center	\$	1,000
Fish Hospitality Pantries	\$	4,000
Family Promise of Blount County	\$	4,000
Cumberland Adult Reading Council	\$	3,000
Community Reconciliation, Inc.	\$	2,000
The Steps House, Inc.	\$	4,000
Youth Transitions	\$	8,500
Church of the Resurrection Habitat House	<u>\$</u>	5,302
Total 2009 Grants	\$	31,802

<b>Opportunity Fund - Church Expan</b>	sion Grant Account - Decem	uber 31, 2009
	Date	Amount
Church Expansion Grants	1987	\$50,149
Church Expansion Grants	1988	50,000
Church Expansion Grants	1989	23,338
Church Expansion Grants	1990	105,000
Church Expansion Grants	1991	47,200
Church Expansion Grants	1992	47,000
Church Expansion Grants	1993	51,000
Church Expansion Grants	1994	173,000
Church Expansion Grants	1995	26,000
Church Expansion Grants	1996	7,100
Church Expansion Grants	1997	121,600
Church Expansion Grants	1998	150,741
Church Expansion Grants	1999	25,000
Church Expansion Grants	2000	165,000
Church Expansion Grants	2001	100,000
Church Expansion Grants	2002	127,263
St. Luke, Knoxville	Apr-03	7,511
St. Raphael, Crossville	Apr-03	9,174
All Saints, Morristown	Apr-03	12,876
St. Joseph, Sevierville	Apr-03	10,439
St. John the Baptist, Battle Creek	Nov-03	14,000
Church of the Resurrection, Loudon	May-04	10,000
ECSET/Metropolitan Ministry	May-04	10,000
St. Luke, Knoxville	Oct-04	18,000
St. Timothy, Kingsport	Oct-04	2,000
Church of the Ascension, Knoxville	May-05	6,500
Tyson House, Knoxville	May-05	9,600
St. Christopher, Kingsport	Oct-05	20,000
St. James, Greeneville	Oct-05	5,000
Christ Church, Chattanooga	May-06	24,000
St. Paul, Seymour	May-06	6,000
Thankful Memorial, Chattanooga	Oct-06	10,000
St. Paul, Seymour	Oct-06	1,000
St. Thomas, Elizabethton	Sep-07	2,000
Church of the Ascension, Knoxville	Sep-07	5,000
St. Joseph, Sevierville	Sep-07	20,264
Trinity, Gatlinburg	Sep-07	25,664
St. Paul, Seymour	May-08	3,500
Tyson House	May-08	25,500
St. Christopher, Kingsport	Oct-08	16,000
Church of the Resurrection	Apr-09	7,500
All Saints Episcopal Church	Apr-09	7,500
Trinity, Gatlinburg	Apr-09	<u>10,000</u>
St. Paul, Seymour	Oct-09	

Total Grants

\$1,508,919.00

## Statement of Financial Position – December 31, 2009

	<b>.</b>	Temporarily	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
ASSETS			
Current Assets:	¢ 460.647	¢ 446 705	¢ 000 272
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 462,647	\$ 446,725	\$ 909,372
Receivables	15,118	9,707	24,825
Bookstore Inventory	58,577	-	58,577
Investments	<u>546,821</u>		<u>546,821</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<u>\$ 1,083,163</u>	<u>\$ 456,432</u>	<u>\$1,539,595</u>
Construction in Progress	-	7,081	7,081
Property & Equipment	4,760,477	-	4,760,477
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(577,004)</u>	<u> </u>	<u>(577,004)</u>
Net Property and Equipment	4,183,473	7,081	<u>4,190,554</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$5,266,636</u>	<u>\$ 463,513</u>	<u>\$5,730,149</u>
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS			
Current Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable	\$ 26,175	\$ -	\$ 26,175
Accrued Expenses	14,501	-	14,501
Due to Patten Trust	254,252	370,000	624,252
Due to Operating Fund	204,000	-	204,000
Due to Emergency Fund	82,898	-	82,898
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	581,826	370,000	951,826
Net Assets	4,684,810	<u> </u>	4,778,323
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	<u>\$5,266,636</u>	<u>\$ 463,513</u>	<u>\$5,730,149</u>

# Statement of Activities – Year Ended December 31, 2009

		Temporarily	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
SUPPORT AND REVENUE			
Convention	-	27,082	27,082
Appalachian Ministry	-	4,375	4,375
Contributions	1,615,910	38,984	1,654,894
EEC Support	120,116	-	120,116
Emergency Fund	10,829	10,829	21,658
Trust Funds	19,206	-	19,206
Insurance Premiums	-	20,271	20,271
Opportunity Fund	8,000	-	8,000
Bookstore Sales/Reimbursements	23,676	-	23,676
Miscellaneous	3,331	242,431	245,762
Interest Income	47	228	275
Lodging/Conferences/Food Service	123,030	-	123,030
Camp Billy Johnson	-	6,266	6,266
Transfer from other funds	-	20,051	20,051
<b>Total Support and Revenue</b>	<u>1,924,145</u>	370,517	<u>2,294,662</u>
FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES			
Support for Campuses/Youth/Camps	142,215	-	142,215
Support for Congregations	80,868	-	80,868
Diocesan Ministry	162,592	-	162,592
Support for Clergy	221,191	-	221,191
Support for Diocesan Operations	83,979	-	83,979
Outside Diocese – General Church	368,829	-	368,829
Insurance	1,889	-	1,889
Bookstore	13,945	-	13,945
Diocese Center Building	128,561	-	128,561
Support for Episcopate	526,004	-	526,004
Bishop's Discretionary		13,236	13,236
Grace Point Camp and Retreat Center	186,714	-	186,714
Transit		294,820	294,820
Episcopal Church Women	_	14,424	14,424
Grow in Mission	_	1,080	1,080
Depreciation	92,775	1,000	92,775
Depretation			
<b>Total Functional Expenses</b>	2,009,562	323,560	2,333,122
Change in Net Assets	<u>\$ (85,417)</u>	<u>\$ 46,957</u>	<u>\$ (38,460)</u>

## Statement of Changes in Net Assets – Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
Net Assets – January 1, 2009	\$ 4,770,227	\$ 46,556	\$ 4,816,783
Change in Net Assets – Current Year	(85,417)	46,957	(38,460)
Net Assets – December 31, 2009	<u>\$4,684,810</u>	<u>\$ 93,513</u>	<u>\$4,778,323</u>

## CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Change in Net Assets Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets to	\$ (38,460)
Cash Provided by Operating Activities: Depreciation Changes in current assets and liabilities: Accounts Receivable	92,775 (9,762)
Payables	(34,362)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	10,191
CASH FLOWS USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES Acquisition of Property and Equipment Increase in Investments Net Cash Flows (Used by) Investing Activities	(7,081) (98,183) (105,264)
CASH FLOWS USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES Increase in Due to Operating Fund	75,001
Net Decrease in Cash	(20,072)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	929,444
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	<u>\$ 909,372</u>

## Financial Statistics of Congregations and Missions

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2008

	Congregation	R	EXPENSE					
City		Plate & Pledge Income	Operating Revenue	Total Revenue	Operating Expense	To the Diocese	Outreach & Development	Total Expense
Athens	St Pauls Episcopal Church	249,080	251,746	285,158	247,091	26,140	38,338	278,929
Battle Creek	St John the Baptist	12,884	12,884	12,884	14,226	1,500	0	14,226
Bristol	St Columbas Episcopal Church	36,435	65,223	65,737	64,627	4,720	468	65,465
Chattanooga	Christ Episcopal Church	108,574	208,766	216,836	210,662	21,144	13,512	215,813
Chattanooga	Grace Episcopal Church	394,268	463,030	465,734	482,806	51,522	69,072	552,677
Chattanooga	St Martin of Tours Epis Church	293,710	341,682	447,725	322,109	30,000	177,090	491,845
Chattanooga	St Pauls Episcopal Church	966,172	1,397,337	1,830,012	1,441,342	163,984	193,590	1,705,698
Chattanooga	St Peters Episcopal Church	424,607	466,364	615,896	473,987	31,043	59,497	563,058
Chattanooga	St Thaddaeus Episcopal Church	126,937	143,341	264,048	120,401	11,198	0	121,401
Chattanooga	Thankful Memorial Church (2007)	49,269	104,186	107,333	104,186	8,000	6,478	109,695
Cleveland	St Lukes Episcopal Church	466,258	482,159	494,620	484,112	57,765	27,036	495,449
Copperhill	St Marks Episcopal Church	7,387	19,823	19,823	18,005	390	362	18,005
Crossville	St Raphaels Episcopal Church	112,009	117,381	130,298	115,776	11,939	4,595	124,951
Dayton	St Matthews Episcopal Church	14,507	14,948	16,932	16,785	1,920	6,744	20,663
Elizabethton	St Thomas Church	40,157	64,920	65,170	67,087	4,657	1,092	67,337
Erwin	St Mary the Virgin Episcopal Church	6,875	6,875	6,875	8,971	0	0	8,971
Fort Oglethorpe	Episcopal Church of the Nativity	122,664	131,184	215,677	172,748	15,000	77,907	249,549
Gatlinburg	Trinity Episcopal Church	97,793	125,378	153,450	121,158	12,000	28,198	154,028
Greeneville	St James Episcopal Church	161,619	180,476	253,798	184,739	17,051	14,645	184,739
Harriman	St Andrews Episcopal Church	89,695	98,173	101,228	98,296	0	17,553	114,081
Hixson	St Albans Episcopal Church	159,798	161,848	177,599	146,628	21,207	6,803	157,674
Jefferson City	St Barnabas Episcopal-Lutheran Ch		0	0	0		0	0
Johnson City	St Johns Episcopal Church	400,456	400,456	459,974	446,416	62,260	76,426	521,445
Kingsport	St Christophers Episcopal Church	146,383	147,943	153,143	129,526	13,932	11,078	135,441
Kingsport	St Pauls Episcopal Church	683,063	687,123	710,746	532,011	61,651	26,659	540,843
Kingsport	St Timothys Episcopal Church (2006)	93,592	105,092	117,676	103,825	0	15,358	119,478
Knoxville	Church of the Good Samaritan	433,805	466,633	469,210	452,004	51,170	24,950	456,378
Knoxville	Church of the Good Shepherd	215,851	226,735	354,595	259,446	24,830	46,201	292,704

## Financial Statistics of Congregations and Missions

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	Congregation	REVENUE			EXPENSE				
City			Plate & Pledge Income	Operating Revenue	Total Revenue	Operating Expense	To the Diocese	Outreach & Development	Total Expense
Knoxville	Episcopal Church of the Ascension		1,137,701	1,213,106	1,246,075	1,239,248	126,451	239,114	1,415,854
Knoxville	St Elizabeths Episcopal Church		436,016	441,292	466,474	431,606	66,556	29,483	452,931
Knoxville	St James Episcopal Church		402,243	422,367	467,718	451,654	62,186	45,246	508,401
Knoxville	St Johns Episcopal Cathedral		1,785,950	1,854,986	2,369,206	1,846,197	194,000	208,687	2,009,130
Knoxville	St Lukes Episcopal Church		32,254	52,751	53,846	49,164	4,900	8,001	55,676
Knoxville	St Thomas Episcopal Church		78,267	115,683	119,634	114,295	9,948	0	118,246
La Follette	St Clare Episcopal Church (2006)		16,428	16,428	16,428	18,646	2,035	900	18,646
Lookout Mountain	Church of the Good Shepherd		1,072,420	1,093,728	1,132,559	997,754	154,935	132,473	1,117,852
Loudon	Episcopal Church of the Resurrection		188,117	191,231	203,871	191,308	21,906	1,792	193,308
Maryville	St Andrews Church		379,261	418,433	676,641	398,485	38,974	16,866	408,055
Morristown	All Saints Episcopal Church		279,037	324,597	390,325	350,758	46,028	49,966	397,149
Mountain City	St Bartholomews Episcopal Church		4,333	4,450	4,450	5,156	600	750	5,156
Newport	Church of the Annunciation		120,376	125,176	194,466	91,187	12,096	31,087	122,274
Norris	St Francis Episcopal Church		140,325	151,246	160,584	150,216	8,250	13,729	167,444
Oak Ridge	St Stephens Episcopal Church		474,718	483,043	599,843	474,281	34,577	66,821	555,356
Ooltewah	St Francis of Assisi Epis Church		200,193	200,363	228,565	175,791	24,256	49,787	226,144
Rogersville	St Matthias Episcopal Church		10,700	13,700	13,700	13,700	100	200	13,700
Rugby	Christ Church		39,808	44,526	44,526	35,817	5,084	2,890	36,917
Sevierville	St Joseph the Carpenter		110,461	114,468	124,468	115,485	11,498	7,395	120,406
Seymour	St Pauls Episcopal Church		21,213	21,619	31,987	21,985	0	15,200	36,202
Signal Mountain	St Timothys Episcopal Church		782,656	804,975	860,822	790,323	64,207	23,142	834,170
South Pittsburg	Christ Episcopal Church		134,938	156,932	156,932	153,090	15,500	8,922	157,290
		Total	13,761,263	15,156,806	17,775,297	14,955,116	1,609,110	1,896,103	16,750,850

Section

8

Parochial Reports

## Vital Statistics of Congregations and Missions

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2008

— Baptisms —

City	Congregation	Active Members	Communicants in Good Standing	Others	Average Sunday Attendance	Sunday Eucharists	16 yrs and Older	Under 16 Years	Confirmed or Received
Athens	St Pauls Episcopal Church	290	290	10	120	102	0	7	0
Battle Creek	St John the Baptist	42	42	0	18	53	0	0	0
Bristol	St Columbas Episcopal Church	118	2	0	21	52	0	0	0
Chattanooga	Christ Episcopal Church	180	116	10	69	107	1	3	8
Chattanooga	Grace Episcopal Church	453	453	0	188	107	0	5	6
Chattanooga	St Martin of Tours Epis Church	505	427	9	158	105	0	9	7
Chattanooga	St Pauls Episcopal Church	1,927	1,583	50	423	165	4	21	35
Chattanooga	St Peters Episcopal Church	435	425	15	155	163	1	10	12
Chattanooga	St Thaddaeus Episcopal Church	199	143	0	76	103	1	0	6
Chattanooga	Thankful Memorial Church (2007)	100	100	0	56	53	0	2	0
Cleveland	St Lukes Episcopal Church	450	449	60	160	102	2	9	9
Copperhill	St Marks Episcopal Church	36							0
Crossville	St Raphaels Episcopal Church	196	90	10	86	103	0	3	4
Dayton	St Matthews Episcopal Church	30	30	0	17	26	0	0	0
Elizabethton	St Thomas Church	85	58	2	42	52	0	1	0
Erwin	St Mary the Virgin Episcopal Church	11	0	0	6	45	0	0	0
Fort Oglethorpe	Episcopal Church of the Nativity	130	130	10	84	101	2	1	8
Gatlinburg	Trinity Episcopal Church	120	118	8	62	99	0	3	9
Greeneville	St James Episcopal Church	218	165	6	93	110	0	7	8
Harriman	St Andrews Episcopal Church	109	106	0	51	48	0	0	0
Hixson	St Albans Episcopal Church	202	140	2	70	104	0	4	2
Jefferson City	St Barnabas Episcopal-Lutheran Ch	0							0
Johnson City	St Johns Episcopal Church	721	391	25	177	115	3	4	2
Kingsport	St Christophers Episcopal Church	174	156	12	84	82	1	0	5
Kingsport	St Pauls Episcopal Church	389	240	13	165	105	0	2	6
Kingsport	St Timothys Episcopal Church (2006)	108	73	30	65	105	0	3	6
Knoxville	Church of the Good Samaritan	571	379	45	230	103	0	10	9
Knoxville	Church of the Good Shepherd	380	266	0	128	102	0	2	12
Knoxville	Episcopal Church of the Ascension	1,036	870	61	365	142	3	18	32
Knoxville	St Elizabeths Episcopal Church	579	300	25	157	106	1	3	8
Knoxville	St James Episcopal Church	490	452	49	220	104	1	5	7
Knoxville	St Johns Episcopal Cathedral	1,124	1,124	0	404	105	0	12	12
Knoxville	St Lukes Episcopal Church	87	96	7	44	48	1	1	9

## Diocese of East Tennessee

## Vital Statistics of Congregations and Missions

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2008

— Baptisms —

			Active	Communicants in Good		Average Sunday	Sunday	16 yrs	Under 16	Confirmed
City	Congregation		Members	Standing	Others	Attendance	Eucharists	-	Years	or Received
Knoxville	St Thomas Episcopal Church		97	52	5	40	88	0	1	2
La Follette	St Clare Episcopal Church (2006)		26	25	2	10	25	0	0	0
Lookout Mountain	Church of the Good Shepherd		995	948	24	295	0	0	4	22
Loudon	Episcopal Church of the Resurrection		160	121	3	85	92	0	1	4
Maryville	St Andrews Church		378	336	62	160	108	0	5	12
Morristown	All Saints Episcopal Church		441	247	17	147	109	0	9	5
Mountain City	St Bartholomews Episcopal Church		12	12	0	7	42	0	0	0
Newport	Church of the Annunciation		89	70	21	49	51	1	0	1
Norris	St Francis Episcopal Church		243	208	15	83	116	2	9	5
Oak Ridge	St Stephens Episcopal Church		546	451	25	183	134	0	4	6
Ooltewah	St Francis of Assisi Epis Church		108	99	30	75	102	1	1	6
Rogersville	St Matthias Episcopal Church		19	17	0	9	36	0	0	1
Rugby	Christ Church		32	32	17	33	52	0	1	0
Sevierville	St Joseph the Carpenter		123	123	0	64	101	2	3	0
Seymour	St Pauls Episcopal Church		19	16	12	20	52	0	0	0
Signal Mountain	St Timothys Episcopal Church		1,030	726	168	312	149	2	4	18
South Pittsburg	Christ Episcopal Church		126	126	0	73	105	1	2	2
		Total	15,939	12,823	860	5,639	4,279.00	30	189	306.00

## Section 9

# **Rules of Order and Order of Business** For the Twenty-Sixth Annual Convention

## **Rules of Order**



The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee

## **Rules of Order** I. ORDER OF BUSINESS

• **Rule 1.01:** The Order of Business shall be as follows:

## **Opening Session – Friday, February 12, 2010**

9 a.m. – 6 p.m.	Registration (Upper Level Hallway)					
	Prayer Room (Salon A)					
	Clergy Spouse Room (Salon C)					
11:00 a.m.	Organization (Convention Hall)					
	A. Call to Order and Opening Prayer					
	B. Report of the Committee on Credentials – The Rev. Harry Bahlow					
	Number registered:					
	Clergy Lay Delegates Total					
	Alternates Others Grand Total					
	C. Elections					
	1. Secretary					
	2. Assistant Secretary					
	3. Treasurer					
	4. Assistant Treasurers					
	5. Chancellor					
	6. Vice Chancellors					
	7. Registrar					
	D. Appointments					
	1. Parliamentarian					
	2. Assistant Parliamentarian					

E.	Resolution	regarding	Rules of	f Order a	and the	Order of	Business

- F. Resolution of Invitation
- G. Introduction of New Clergy, Seminarians, Postulants, and Candidates
- H. Introduction of Convention Planning Committee Chair
- I. Presentation of Special Guests
- J. Appointments by the Bishop
  - 1. Convention Committees (see Sect. 2.01)
  - 2. Other Committees (see Sect. 2.02,)
- K. Elections to Boards and Commissions
  - 1. Commission on Ministry
  - 2. Episcopal Endowment Corporation
  - 3. Grace Point Board of Managers
  - 4. Any other elected officers, trustees and committees
- 12:00 noon Bishop's Address
- 12:30 p.m. Recess for Lunch (Box lunches in Convention Hall) (Report on Haiti)

#### 1:15 p.m. Convention Reconvenes (Convention Hall)

A. Report of the Committee on Credentials – The Rev. Harry Bahlow Number registered:

Clergy \_\_\_\_ Lay Delegates \_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_

Alternates \_\_\_\_\_ Others \_\_\_\_\_ Grand Total \_\_\_\_\_

B. Report of the Committee on General Resolutions – The Rev. Hal

Hutchison

- C. Treasurer's Report Mr. Don Sproles
- D. Reports of the Officers, Boards, Commissions, Committees
  - 1. Anti-Racism Commission The Rev. Harry Bahlow
  - 2. Appalachian Ministry Resource Team Ms. Mary Rhoades
  - 3. Bioethics Committee Dr. Glenn Graber
  - 4. Commission on Ministry The Rev. Hendree Harrison
  - 5. Companion Diocese Committee The Rev. Stephen Eichler
- 2:30 p.m. 4:00 p.m. Presentation by the Rev. Dr. Anthony Bailey
  - 4:00 p.m. E. Last Call for Resolutions
    - F. Last Call for Nominations (except Bishop and Council clergy)
    - G. Initial Report of the Elections Committee Mr. Phillip Harris
  - 4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer
    - Recess
- 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Hearings
  - Budget Hearing (Salon B)

Constitution and Canons (Salon A)

- General Resolutions (Salon C)
- 6:00 p.m. Social Hour and Exhibits
- 7:00 p.m. Departure for Foyer Dinners

## Morning Session – Saturday, February 13, 2010

8	
7:30 a.m.	Registration opens
8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m.	Convention reconvenes
	A. Report of the Committee on Credentials – The Rev. Harry Ba
	Number registered:
	Clergy Lay Delegates Total
	Alternates Others Grand Total
	B. Elections

• **Rule 1.02:** During balloting, the Convention may take up business, which may be interrupted for the reports of tellers and additional ballots.

- C. Presentation and Adoption of the 2010 Budget The Rev. Harry Bahlow
- D. Report of the Committee on General Resolutions The Rev. Hal Hutchison
- E. Reports of Officers, Boards, Commissions, Committees (cont.)
  - 1. Report of the Constitution and Canons Committee The Hon. Marie Williams

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- 2. Grace Point Board of Managers Mr. James Powell
- 3. Millennium Development Goals Dr. Bob Strimer
- 4. Ministry Development Mr. Rick Govan
- 5. Standing Committee The Rev. Cal Calhoun
- 6. Stewardship Commission The Rev. Buckley Robbins, Mr. Herb Berl
- 7. Diocesan Council for Youth Ministries Mr. Alex Haralson

(Other reports to be conveyed to delegates by inclusion in Journal of Proceedings of Convention)

#### 11:30 a.m. Recess for Lunch

12:00 noon Lunch (Convention Hall)

## Afternoon Session – Saturday, February 13, 2010

#### 1:00 p.m. Convention Reconvenes

A. Report of the Committee on Credentials – The Rev. Harry Bahlow Number registered:

Clergy \_\_\_\_ Lay Delegates \_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_

Alternates \_\_\_\_\_ Others \_\_\_\_\_ Grand Total \_\_\_\_

B. Elections Report and additional ballots, if needed – Mr. Phillip Harris

C. Report of the Chaplain to Retired Clergy - The Rev. Peter Keese

D. Report of the Committee on Memorials, Greetings and Resolutions of Appreciation – The Rev. Kathryn Mathewson and Dr. Tupper Morehead

E. Invitation to 2011 Convention

2:30 p.m. Closing Prayers, Hymn, and Blessing Dismissal and Adjournment

#### **II. CONVENTION COMMITTEES**

• Rule 2.01: The Bishop shall appoint the following Convention Committees:

#### **On Credentials**

The Rev. Harry Bahlow, Chair Mr. Bruce Ragan The Rev. Janice Robbins

#### **On Elections**

Mr. Phillip Harris, Chair Dr. Tom Ladd The Rev. Joe Minarik The Rev. Thom Rasnik Dr. Bob Strimer

#### **On General Resolutions**

The Rev. Hal Hutchison, Chair	Mr. Bill Farnham
Ms. Nancy Cain	The Rev. Kim Hobby

#### On Memorials, Greetings and Resolutions of Appreciation

The Rev. Kathryn Mathewson, Chair Dr. Tupper Morehead

• **Rule 2.02:** The Bishop shall appoint the following committees as prescribed by the Canons or as otherwise required:

#### On Constitution and Canons (3-year terms) (\*to be reappointed for 3-year term)

The Hon. Marie Williams, Chair <u>Term expires 2011</u> The Rev. Dr. Richard Brown The Rev. Gary Callahan

<u>Term expires 2012</u> The Rev. Dr. Craig Kallio The Hon. Neil Thomas The Hon. Marie Williams Term expires 2013 \*Mr. Edward Boehm, Esq. The Rev. Robert Childers

#### The Church Pension Fund Committee (appointed annually)

Ms. Mary Berl	The Rev. Ann Markle
Mr. Tom Hale	The Rev. Al Minor

Mr. Don Sproles

**DuBose Conference Center Board of Directors (3-year term) (no appointment needed)** <u>Term expires end of 2011</u> – Mr. Chuck Brown, Mr. John Heise

• **Rule 2.03:** Such Committees as are instructed by the Bishop shall convene in advance of the opening of Convention to consider matters referred to them.

• **Rule 2.04:** Reports of all Committees shall be in writing. All reports recommending action by the Convention shall be accompanied by Resolutions for such action.

## **III. RESOLUTIONS**

• Rule 3.01: Resolutions are submitted as the Canons may prescribe.

• **Rule 3.02:** All Resolutions and amendments proposed thereto shall be in writing and shall contain the name, parish, and city of the proponent. Failing to meet the deadline as set forth in Title I, Canon 3, Sec. 10 the delegate or organization presenting a Resolution may introduce such Resolutions at the Convention no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday. Except for Resolutions contained in the reports of Committees, no Resolution offered after this time shall be considered except upon the affirmative vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the delegates present and voting. The delegate or organization presenting a late Resolution is responsible for having 300 copies of the Resolution reproduced on blue paper for distribution to the Convention.

• **Rule 3.03:** The Bishop shall refer all Resolutions to appropriate Convention Committees for consideration, recommendation and report to the Convention provided, however, upon a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the delegates present, a Resolution may be considered immediately.

• **Rule 3.04:** Where two or more Resolutions deal basically with the same subject, they shall be referred to the same General Resolutions Committee. The Committee shall make every effort to consolidate them or otherwise assure their compatibility and should also make every effort to obtain the concurrence of the proponents concerned.

• **Rule 3.05:** Each Convention Committee to which a Resolution has been referred, after providing for a public hearing thereon, shall consider the form and substance of the Resolution and in making its report shall recommend (a) for adoption, (b) for adoption with amendment, (c) for adoption of a substitute drafted by the Committee, (d) for rejection, or (e) for discharge from further consideration because the subject matter been included in another Resolution. The Committee's recommendation to the Convention shall be in the form of a motion to adopt the Committee's recommendation. The Committee Chair or other representative shall state the reasons for the Committee's recommendation. Thereafter, the proponent of the original Resolution, which is the subject of the Committee's recommendation, shall be recognized first if the proponent so desires. Amendments may be offered, including an amendment to substitute the proponent's original Resolution for that recommended by the Committee.

## **IV. MOTIONS IN ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

• **Rule 4.01:** The following motions shall have priority in the order listed. The mover cannot interrupt a member who has the floor, must be recognized, and the motion must be seconded.

They are subject to the following further rules:

- (a) To Adjourn or to Recess
  - (1) Not debatable, if unqualified
  - (2) Not amendable
  - (3) Cannot be laid on Table
  - (4) Majority vote

(5) The motion to adjourn shall always be in order except that it shall not be offered when another member has the floor

(b) To Adjourn to Time Certain

- (1) Debatable, as to the time
- (2) Amendable, as to the time
- (3) Cannot be laid on table
- (c) To Lay on Table or To Table
  - (1) Not debatable
  - (2) Not amendable
  - (3) Cannot be laid on Table
  - (4) Majority vote
- (d) To Vote Immediately or at Time Certain or to Extend Debate
  - (1) Not debatable
  - (2) Amendable, as to time, if a time specified
  - (3) Cannot be laid on table
  - (4) Two-thirds majority vote
- (e) To Postpone to Time Certain
  - (1) Debatable
  - (2) Amendable as to time
  - (3) May be laid on Table
  - (4) Majority vote
- (f) To Commit or recommit to any Committee
  - (1) Debatable, except as to a Convention Committee
  - (2) Amendable as to the Committee to which to be sent
  - (3) May be laid on Table
  - (4) Majority vote
- (g) To Amend or To Substitute
  - (1) Amendments and Substitutes are debatable only when Main Question is debatable

(2) One Amendment may be made to each independent or separable portion of a Resolution; and the right to amend extends only to one Amendment of that Amendment and to a Substitute and one Amendment thereto (3) A Substitute and its Amendment may be laid on table, but cannot be otherwise voted on until original matter if perfected

(4) Majority vote

(5) Neither the Substitute nor its Amendment shall be voted on (except to lay on the table) until the original matter is perfected.

## V. MOTIONS WITHOUT ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

- Rule 5.01: The following motions have no order or priority but are subject to the following rules:
  - (a) Appeal from Decision of Chair
    - (1) Debatable
    - (2) Not amendable
    - (3) May be laid on table
    - (4) Majority vote. A tie vote sustains Chair
    - (5) Must be made immediately after decision
  - (b) To Take from Table
    - (1) Not debatable
    - (2) Not amendable

- (3) Cannot be laid on table
- (4) Majority vote
- (c) To Recall from Committee
  - (1) Debatable
  - (2) Amendable
  - (3) May be laid on table
  - (4) Two-thirds majority vote
- (d) To Create Special Order of Day for a Particular Time
  - (1) Debatable
  - (2) Amendable as to time
  - (3) Cannot be laid on the table
  - (4) Two-thirds majority vote
- (e) Call for the order of the Day

(1) Mover may interrupt a member who has the floor and is not required to be recognized or to have a second

- (2) Not debatable
- (3) Not amendable
- (4) Cannot be laid on table
- (5) No vote required, but two-thirds majority vote is necessary to suspend general or special order
- (f) To Suspend the Rules or Take Up Business Out of Order
  - (1) Debatable
  - (2) Not amendable
  - (3) Cannot be laid on the table
  - (4) Two-thirds majority vote
- (g) To Divide the Question
  - (1) Not debatable
  - (2) Can be amended
  - (3) Cannot be laid on the table
  - (4) Majority vote, if vote required
  - (5) May be made without being recognized and even though another member has the floor
  - (6) If the Question under debate contains several distinct propositions, which are independent of each other,

at the request of any members the same shall be divided and a separate vote shall be taken but the motion to strike out and to insert shall be indivisible.

(7) The propositions relate to the same subject, and yet each part can stand alone, they may be divided only a regular motion and vote.

## VI. RECONSIDERATION

• **Rule 6.01:** Neither a Question once determined, nor one of like import, shall again be brought before the Convention, except on motion to reconsider made by one who voted in the majority and seconded by another who voted in the majority.

• Rule 6.02: Motions to reconsider are subject to the following further rules:

- (1) Debatable when motion to be reconsidered is debatable
- (2) Not amendable
- (3) May be tabled
- (4) Two-thirds majority vote
- (5) No question can be twice considered unless it was materially amended after its first reconsideration

## VII. DECORUM AND DEBATE

• **Rule 7.01:** No member shall be absent from the Convention unless leave has been given by the Chair, or because of inability to attend.

• **Rule 7.02:** No member shall address the Convention or make any motion until after recognition by the Bishop except to make a parliamentary inquiry, a point of order or a motion not requiring recognition.

• **Rule 7.03:** When any Delegate is about to speak, the Chair shall be addressed, the name, parish of the Delegate stated; such address shall be confined strictly to the point of debate.

• **Rule 7.04:** Except by leave of the Convention, no Delegate shall speak more than twice in the same debate nor longer than five minutes at one time.

## VIII. VOTING

• **Rule 8.01:** Nominations for Standing Committee, members of the Bishop and Council, Trustees of the University of the South, members of the Ecclesiastical Trial Court and General Convention Deputies and Alternates, which are in writing and contain the nominee's name, parish, and city and not more than one hundred words of biographical information including past and present service of the nominee to the Church at all levels and received in the office of the Secretary thirty days prior to the opening of the Convention shall be included in the Convention brochure. Additional written nominations for these offices may be made in like manner by filing with the Secretary by 4:00 p.m. Friday provided, however, that additional nominations for clergy members of the Bishop and Council may be made from the floor at any time after the election of lay members and prior to voting on clergy members. Such nominations for clergy members of the Bishop and Council. All written nominations for clergy members of the Bishop and Council. All written nominations for clergy members of the Bishop and Council. All written nominations for clergy members of the Bishop and Council. All written nominations for clergy members of the Bishop and Council. All written nominations shall be posted at the Convention. All such nominations shall contain the name, parish, and the city of the nominator who shall obtain the nominee's consent and willingness to serve prior to submitting nomination. Nominations may be made only by the Bishops of this Diocese, Clerical and Lay Delegates, Vestries, and any other person authorized by Canon.

• Rule 8.02: Balloting for the offices set forth in 8.01 shall commence not earlier than by 4 p.m. on Friday.

• **Rule 8.03:** In elections of Deputies to the General Convention and of Members of the Bishop and Council, a majority of the votes cast shall be necessary to election. In all other elections, including that of Alternate Deputies to the General Convention, a plurality shall suffice. If the Convention shall take up other business while ballots are being counted such business may be interrupted for the report of tellers and additional ballots.

• **Rule 8.04:** Unless otherwise expressly provided any rules requiring a two-thirds majority shall be construed to mean the affirmative vote to two-thirds of the Delegates present and voting.

• Rule 8.05: Ballots with more or less votes than there are positions to be filled shall be declared invalid.

## IX. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

• **Rule 9.01:** Whenever so ordered by a vote of a majority of the members present, the Convention may go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of any matter.

## X. UNANIMOUS CONSENT

• **Rule 10.01:** By unanimous consent, any action may be taken that is not in contravention of any provision of the Constitution or the Canons.

## XI. GENERAL REGULATIONS

• **Rule 11.01:** Except with the express permission of the Bishop or when otherwise ordered by majority vote of the Convention, no books, pamphlets or other printed matter may be distributed on the floor of Convention, or be placed on the seats or desks of the Delegates; but this prohibition shall not apply to Resolutions, reports, and other documents prepared or distributed by the Secretary or to ballots for elections.

## XII. ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

• **Rule 12.01:** Except when in conflict with the Constitution or Canons, or any Rules herein contained, the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the interpretation of Rules and procedures to be followed.

#### XIII. AMENDMENTS

• Rule 13.01: These Rules may be amended at any time by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present.