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Journal

Ex Officio Members of Convention

(Canon 1, Sec. 6, entitled to seat and voice, but not vote)

Secretary of the Convention

The Rev. Canon Patricia Grace

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Chair of the Committee on Constitution and Canons

The Hon. Marie Williams

Registrar of the Diocese

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University of the South

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Chaplain, University of the South

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2014 Convention Arrangements Committee

<i>Chair</i>	The Rev. Hal Hutchison, St. John, Johnson City The Rev. Matthew Moore, St. Columba, Bristol The Rev. Harry Shaefer, St. Thomas, Elizabethton Mr. Jim Butler, St. Thomas, Elizabethton
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<i>Volunteers/Greeters</i>	Ms. Mary Embler, Good Samaritan, Knoxville Mr. Tom Ladd, Ascension, Knoxville

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, 586th 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, 867th 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, 944th in American Succession, in Knoxville, February 27, 1999, and installed at St. John's Cathedral, Knoxville, February 28, 1999. Retired.

George Dibrell Young, III, D.D.

Born September 28, 1955, in Jacksonville, Florida. Ordained by Bishop Cerveny; Deacon in 1990 and Priest in 1990. Elected Bishop of East Tennessee, February 11, 2011. Consecrated and ordained as the Fourth Bishop of East Tennessee, 1,059th in American Succession, in Knoxville, June 26, 2011, and installed at St. John's Cathedral, Knoxville, June 27, 2011.

Clergy of the Diocese

In order of Canonical Residence in the Diocese of East Tennessee as of February 10, 2012

Bishop
George Dibrell Young, III
Consecrated June 26, 2011

<i>Bishop</i>	<i>Received</i>	<i>Cure or Residence</i>
Charles Glenn vonRosenberg*	02/28/1999	Charleston, SC
William Evan Sanders*	01/01/1985	Nashville
<i>Priests</i>		
Carleton Sewell Cunningham*	01/01/1985	Kingsport
William Carson Fraser*	01/01/1985	Nashville
David Lynn Garrett	01/01/1985	Annunciation, Newport
Howard Eugene Haws*	01/01/1985	Maryville
Walter Lee Humphreys*	01/01/1985	Dalton, GA
Richard Delano Landis*	01/01/1985	Hixson
Harry Martin Lawrence, Jr.*	01/01/1985	Lookout Mountain, GA
Charles Whittier Livermore	01/01/1985	Trinity, Gatlinburg
James Fredrick Marquis, Jr.*	01/01/1985	Memphis
Ellis Oglesby Mayfield, Jr.	01/01/1985	Sewanee
Albert Neely Minor*	01/01/1985	St. James, Knoxville
Samuel Houston Payne	01/01/1985	St. Peter, Chattanooga
James Lemuel Sanders*	01/01/1985	Loxley, AL
John Duncan Talbird, Jr.*	01/01/1985	St. Timothy, Signal Mountain
Hallie DeLesslin Warren, Jr.*	01/01/1985	Chattanooga
Karl Gilmore Weddle*	01/01/1985	Knoxville
Robert Carson Williams*	01/01/1985	Lebanon
Charles Edward Adams*	07/16/1985	Kingsport
Albert Henry Swann*	07/17/1985	St. Paul, Seymour
David Robert Hackett*	08/01/1985	St. Thaddaeus, Chattanooga
John Charles Ross	12/01/1985	St. John Cathedral, Knoxville
Harry Hunter Huckabay, Jr.*	08/31/1986	St. Peter, Chattanooga
Albert Davidson Lewis, III*	09/15/1986	Kingston
John Walter Riddle Thomas*	11/16/1986	Richmond, VA
Peter Gaines Keese*	03/01/1987	Christ Church, Rugby
Carter Northen Paden, III*	06/27/1987	Signal Mountain, TN
Henry King Oehmig*	07/22/1987	Nativity, Fort Oglethorpe, GA
Buckley Howard Robbins*	08/02/1987	St. Barnabas Senior Living, Chattanooga
Thomas Milton Hutson*	01/01/1988	Nashville
Walter Craig Morgan*	10/01/1989	League City, TX
Paige Randolph Buchholz	10/23/1991	St Joseph the Carpenter, Sevierville
Ralph Wood Smith*	04/01/1992	Mountain Home
David Wells Crippen*	04/01/1993	Florence, CO
Mary Margaret Blanchard	06/01/1993	St. Barnabas, Jefferson City

Stanley Edward Carter*	11/23/1993	Sevierville
Patrick C. Larkin*	01/01/1994	Rossville, GA
Chester Allen Cooke*	02/01/1994	College Grove
Hugh Burnett Jones, Jr.*	04/15/1994	St. Michael & All Angels, Anniston, AL
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	Sewanee
Kay Reynolds*	05/01/1995	Knoxville
Matilda Eeleen Greene Dunn*	05/20/1995	Chattanooga
Betty Craft Latham*	01/05/1996	Chattanooga
Gordon Clarence Temple*	07/01/1996	St. Martin, Chattanooga
Suzanne Nichols Smitherman	03/15/1997	St. Paul, Chattanooga
Gene Ramsey Smitherman*	03/15/1997	Chattanooga
Susanna Elizabeth Metz	06/28/1997	Petrockstowe, England
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	St. Thaddaeus, Chattanooga
Jocelyn Jones Bell*	04/06/1999	Chattanooga
Joseph Walter Pinner, Jr.*	05/23/1999	Kingston
Michael Robinson	07/30/1999	Brookline, MA
Harold Bahlow*	06/19/2000	Evans, GA
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	Knoxville
Wendie Susan Scudds Jekabsons*	06/20/2001	Bristol
Robert P. Henley*	11/01/2001	Sevierville
Patrick Bone*	06/09/2002	St. Mary the Virgin, Jonesborough, TN
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	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	Pittsboro, NC
Mary Lee Bergeron*	06/12/2004	Ascension, Knoxville
Stephen John Eichler*	06/14/2004	Sewanee
Scherry Vickery Fouke*	01/31/2005	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	St. Andrew, Harriman
Michelle Warriner Bolt	05/27/2006	Knoxville
Harry Joseph Minarik, Jr.	05/27/2006	St. Francis, Norris
G. Hendree Harrison	10/22/2006	St. Paul, Athens
Andrew Robert Rizner*	12/06/2006	Sevierville
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	West Palm Beach, Florida
Robert Childers	10/15/2008	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain
Robert Kelly Leopold	01/10/2009	Southside Abbey, Chattanooga
Brett Paul Backus	01/17/2009	Ascension, Knoxville
Peter Muraguri Kanyi	01/24/2009	Signal Mountain
Kim Merritt-Hobby	02/01/2009	Christ Church, South Pittsburg
Howard Bowlin*	03/09/2009	Maryville
Robert Beasley*	11/10/2009	Maryville
Steven Mosher	12/07/2009	St. Andrew, Maryville
Leyla King	12/15/2009	Thankful Memorial, Chattanooga
John Mark Wiggers	02/15/2010	St. James, Knoxville
Susan Butler	10/13/2010	Grace, Chattanooga
Ward Ewing*	12/01/2010	Ten Mile
Carol Westpfahl	01/11/2011	St. Elizabeth, Knoxville
G. David Lovett	05/28/2011	St. Stephen, Oak Ridge
James E. Wallace, Jr.	07/14/2011	St. Martin, Chattanooga
Mark Bigley*	07/14/2011	St. Alban, Hixson
Caroline Vogel	12/03/2011	Good Samaritan, Knoxville
Jon Anderson	01/10/2012	Christ Church, Chattanooga
Richard Blair Carter, Jr.	05/16/2012	Good Shepherd, Knoxville
Christopher James Hackett	12/01/2012	St. John's Cathedral, Knoxville
Joshua Ashton Hill	08/27/2013	Episcopal School of Knoxville
Robert Gerrit Hartmans	12/15/2013	St. Timothy, Signal Mountain
Christian Nicholas Hawley	12/22/2013	Ascension, Knoxville
William Steven White	01/05/2014	St. James, Knoxville
Fred McKelder Brown	01/14/2014	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain
<i>*Indicates Retired Clergy</i>		

<i>Deacons</i>	<i>Received</i>	<i>Cure or Residence</i>
Charles Edward Osborne*	01/01/1985	Kingsport
Joseph Lawrence Beach*	01/27/1985	Ascension, 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	St. Paul, Seymour

John Morris Wilson*	10/17/1993	St. Stephen, Oak Ridge
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	St. Alban, Hixson
Felicity Lenton Clark Peck*	06/16/2001	Nashville, TN
Janice Robbins	06/16/2001	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain
Edward Scott	06/16/2001	Christ Church, Chattanooga
Suzanne Burch	12/15/2001	St. Timothy, Signal Mountain
Jacob Wade Frye	12/15/2001	Knoxville
Anne Kingsbury LeCroy*	12/15/2001	Johnson City
Jill Carmen Fisher*	09/18/2004	Chattanooga
Gary England*	01/07/2006	Christ Church, 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
Gerald David Lovett	05/29/2010	Good Shepherd, Knoxville
Caroline Vogel	01/15/2011	Good Samaritan, Knoxville
Richard Blair Carter, Jr.	06/04/2011	Good Shepherd, Knoxville
Rebecca Edwards	06/04/2011	Good Samaritan, San Diego, CA
D. Andy Olivo	06/04/2011	St. Paul, Chattanooga
Ronald Dean Morton	03/12/2012	St. Thomas, Knoxville
Christopher James Hackett	05/20/2012	Transitional Deacon
Fred McKelder Brown	06/15/2013	Transitional Deacon
Robert Gerrit Hartmans	06/15/2013	Transitional Deacon
Christian Nicholas Hawley	06/15/2013	Transitional Deacon
William Steven White	06/15/2013	Transitional Deacon
<i>*Indicates Retired</i>		

<i>Theological Students</i>	
<i>Candidates</i>	<i>Seminary</i>
Justin Crisp	Yale Theological Seminary
<i>Postulants</i>	
Ellie Pickett	Local process for Priesthood
Jon Hermes	Priesthood
John Rouser	Diaconate
Jerry Askew	Diaconate
Sarah Cardwell	Priesthood
Liz Emblar	Priesthood
Boyd Evans	Priesthood
Zachary Nyein	Priesthood
Lee Ragsdale	Diaconate
<i>Postulants – New 2013</i>	
Spencer Cantrell	Priesthood

R J Powell	Priesthood
John Rouser	Diaconate
Sarai Wender	Diaconate

***Clergy Licensed to Officiate with the Diocese of East Tennessee
(not canonically resident)***

<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>Diocese</i>
Nancy Pickering Acree	Knoxville	Georgia
James R. Anderson	Knoxville	Washington
Jeffrey A. Batkin	Saluda, North Carolina	Florida
James A. Birdsall	Ooltewah	Connecticut
Kenneth Brown	Knoxville	Washington
Donna Brown	Knoxville	Washington
David Booher	Elizabethton	Milwaukee
Valerie B. Carnes	Chattanooga	Milwaukee
John Dukes	Signal Mountain	Atlanta
Nick Forti	Chattanooga	Virginia
Brian K. Jones	Knoxville	ELCA
Matthew Moore	Bristol	Southwest Virginia
Judy Morris	Powell	Mississippi
Joe T. Porter	Sewanee	West Tennessee
Robert Reuss	Oak Ridge	Western North Carolina
Patricia Reuss	Oak Ridge	Georgia
Richard Shackelford	Piney Flats	Long Island
Harry Shaefer, III	Elizabethton	Long Island
Kenneth Sherfick	Knoxville	Western Michigan
Claude Stewart, Jr.	Seymour	Western North Carolina
Jack Van Hooser	Knoxville	Western Michigan
Fred Wilcoxson	Benton	Central Florida
JoAnn Wilcoxson	Benton	Central Florida

***Clergy Licensed to Serve with the Diocese of East Tennessee
(not canonically resident)***

<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>Diocese</i>
Bercy Leas	Corryton	Michigan
Gigi Sharp	White Pine	Southeast Florida

Clergy Changes -February 10, 2013 – February 6, 2014

<i>Clergy</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
James Anderson	Nonparochial	Rector, St. Luke, Knoxville
Howard Bolin	Rector, St. Thomas, Knoxville	Retired
John Dukes	Interim, St. Timothy, Signal Mountain	Priest-in-Charge, All Saints, Morristown
Nik Forti	Nonparochial	Southside Abbey
Scherry Fouke	Rector, All Saints, Morristown	Retired
Patricia M. Grace	Rector, St. Mark, Dalton, GA	Canon to the Ordinary
Rob Henley	Assistant, All Saints, Morristown	Retired
Betty Latham	Rector, Nativity, Fort Oglethorpe	Retired
King Oehmig	Nonparochial	Priest-in-Charge, Nativity, Fort Oglethorpe, GA
Kay Reynolds	Rector, St. Luke, Knoxville	Retired
Stephen Askew	Canon to the Ordinary	Dean, St. Matthew Cathedral, Laramie, WY

Ordinations - February 10, 2013– February 6, 2014

<i>Deacons</i>	<i>Parish Assigned</i>
Fred McKelder Brown	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain
Robert Gerrit Hartmans	St. Timothy, Signal Mountain

Christian Nicholas Hawley	Ascension, Knoxville
William Steven White	St. James, Knoxville

<i>Ordinations - February 10, 2012 – February 6, 2014</i>	
<i>Priests</i>	<i>Parish Assigned</i>
Joshua Hill	Episcopal School of Knoxville
Fred McKelder Brown	Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain
Robert Gerrit Hartmans	St. Timothy, Signal Mountain
Christian Nicholas Hawley	Ascension, Knoxville
William Steven White	St. James, Knoxville

<i>Letters Dimissory Given - February 10, 2012 – February 7, 2013</i>	
<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Given to:</i>
Stephen H. Askew	Wyoming
William Squire	Central Florida

<i>Letters Dimissory Received - February 10, 2012– February 7, 2013</i>	
	<i>Received from:</i>
Patricia M. Grace	Atlanta
Joshua Hill	Connecticut
Brad Jones	Atlanta

<i>Clergy, Lay Delegates and Alternates to the 2014 Convention</i>				
		<i>Delegates</i>	<i>Alternates</i>	<i>Clergy</i>
<i>ATHENS</i>				
St. Paul	1959	Kathryn Clark Whitney K. Coe Mark Reedy		G. Hendree Harrison
<i>BATTLE CREEK</i>				
St. John the Baptist	2000	Isaac Blevins		
<i>BRISTOL</i>				
St. Columba	1961	Pal Freeman Audrey Moore Dolly Shumaker		Matthew Moore (Licensed to Officiate)
<i>CHATTANOOGA</i>				
Christ Church	1901	Troy Eichenberger Alline Ingle Joel King		Jon Anderson
Grace	1922	Eric Broeren Dick McGee David Stanislawski	Lisa Lemza	Susan Butler Brad Weeks
St. Martin of Tours	1968	Ralph Coggin Pat Coggin Phil Harris	Bob Combs	James E. Wallace, Jr.
St. Paul	1854	Allison Shaw Bo Hixson Randy Odle Hank Hopping Russell Craig	Andrea Odle Rick Govan Marie Wms. Cleary Herb Knowles	Donald Fishburne Suzanne Smitherman D. Andy Olivo Ann Weeks
St. Peter	1958	Ed Colucci Fonda Harwell	Susan Self Eddie Rogers	Hunter Huckabay
St. Thaddeus	1965	Bob Vass Karen McAvoy Courtney Hicks	Scott Holland	David Hackett Pat Cahill
Thankful Memorial	1904	John Stadler Lynn Swearingen Mike Gray	John Grant Anne Stadler	Leyla King
<i>CLEVELAND</i>				
St. Luke	1875	Jerry Lowery Elizabeth McGowan Lou Patten	James Jackson Debbie Patten Adam Wilson	Joel Huffstetler Arthur Bass
<i>COPPERHILL</i>				
St. Mark	1939	Denise Talbott Beverly Fuller Tina Dellaposta	Bill Boorman Dotty Boudreaux Hays Bob Short	Claude Stewart (Licensed to Officiate)
<i>CROSSVILLE</i>				
St. Raphael	1995	Gordon Davis Barbara Davis Terri Bond	Sandi Harrison Randy Furtick	Ann Markle

ELIZABETHTON				
St. Thomas	1941	Judy Haley Janice Colbaugh	Jim Butler Joyce Butler	Harry Shaefer, III (Licensed to Officiate)
FORT OGLETHORPE				
Nativity	1975	Gary McGhee Lisa McNeese Myra Cureton	Leah Couch Marshall Wilson	King Oehmig
GATLINBURG				
Trinity	1974	Marilyn Bowman Elizabeth Jones Diane Livermore	Earl Howard Allen Bray Nyla Vaughn Bray	Charles Livermore
GREENEVILLE				
St. James	1848	Tom Leach Eleanor Leach	Mak Honeycutt Diane Whitehead	Carolyn Isley
HARRIMAN				
St. Andrew	1957	Anne Brewer Dianne Beha William White	Judy Kincaid Mary Sullivan	Harry Howard
HIXSON				
St. Alban	1981	David Smart Jim Shearouse Michael Stevermer		Mark Bigley Bill McGee
JOHNSON CITY				
St. John	1907	R. J Powell Debra Paessler Lucas Gregory		Hal T. Hutchison
KINGSPORT				
St. Christopher	1986	Greg Shuette Eloise Shivell Jeff Shivell		Margaret Zeller L Gordon Brewer
St. Paul	1931	Randy Dean Allison Barton Kathy Richards		Edward J. Mills III Chris Harpster
St. Timothy	1962	Thomas A. Peters John Ben Pectol Laura Waddey	Jon Hermes Rita Haga	Richard Shackelford (Licensed to Officiate)

KNOXVILLE				
Ascension	1957	Joe Vrba Tracy Edmundson Ellen Jenny Bob Parrott Amanda Busby	Alan Wright Monty Harris Katie McHargue Andy Oakes Chris Baker	Howard J. Hess Robert P Travis Brett P Backus Amy H Morehous Mary Lee Bergeron Christian Hawley
Good Samaritan	1971	Freddie Brabson Ervin Dinsmore Jennifer Dunn Liz Rea	Sarah Sheppard	Joseph (Cal) Calhoun Taylor Dinsmore Caroline Vogel
Good Shepherd	1961	Marilyn Cottrell Harry Wade Janice Wade		Charles Fels Rick Carter Lani Hubbard
St. Elizabeth	1989	Dick Anders Neal Evans George Taylor	Lisa Fortune	Carol Westpfahl
St. James	1933	Jim Browne Frank Laszlo Margaret Bickley	Wes Knott Rick Brown	John Mark Wiggers W. Steven White Al Minor
St. John Cathedral	1844	Michael Moore Jerry Askew Jarrett Vance Lee Moreland Mark Love		John Ross Thom Rasnick Chris Hackett Michelle Warriner Bolt Joshua Hill
St. Luke	1936	Nancy Mott John Mayo Walter Williams	Lida Mayer Cameron Brooks David Ensley	James Anderson (Licensed to Officiate)
St. Thomas	1987	Carolyn Wood Blance Pedersen Bruce Ragon	Byron Harmon Victoria Tavino	Ron Morton
LAFOLLETTE				
St. Clare	1993	William Chadwell Rita Chadwell		Peggy Blanchard
LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN				
Good Shepherd	1945	Dusty Kent Susan Probasco Alfred Smith Keith Sanford	Terry Childers Matt Farr Elizabeth Farr	Robert Childers Mac Brown Janice Robbins
LOUDON Andrew Wilkerson				
Resurrection	1985	Andrew Wilkinson Donna Tisdale Monty Ross	Mike Keene	Claire Keene
MARYVILLE				
St. Andrew	1948	Nancy Cain Kae Wrinkle Edward George	Carl Pagles	Stephen Mosher
MORRISTOWN				
All Saints	1969	Sarai Wender Susan Fuhr Raymond Lowry	Udo Wender Jim Fuhr Suzy Lowry	King Oehmig

NEWPORT				
Annunciation	1997	Tom Conway Sally J. Clark-Ramsey Robert Minnick		David Garrett
NORRIS				
St. Francis	1984	Lenny Rheault Sarah Booher- Watson		Joseph Minarik
OAK RIDGE				
St. Stephen	1951	Cameron Ellis Ed Krieg Kim Warther	Merry Keyser Barbara Neill Susan Wells	Craig Kallio G. David Lovett John Wilson
OOLTEWAH				
St. Francis of Assisi	1993	Stacy Hall Lynn Armstrong John Rouser	Andy Hall	Louisa T Parsons
RUGBY				
Christ Church	1880	Bethany Jackson Tom Howell Kathy Hicks	Benita Howell Ron Jackson Lisa Donegan	Peter Keese
SEVIERVILLE				
St. Joseph the Carpenter	1985	Clark Post Beverly Anderson Nikolette Edge		Paige Buchholz
SEYMOUR				
St. Paul	2012	David R. Thomas Lynn Tuner	Treva Brodersen Bernatine Chamion	Henry Swann
SIGNAL MOUNTAIN				
St. Timothy	1955	Chip Langley Olivia Sisson Uno Avisto Pat Avisto	Beau Sisson	John Dukes (Licensed to Officiate) Suzanne Burch Robert Hartmans
SOUTH PITTSBURG				
Christ Church	1887	George Ison Julie Wehunt Henry Lodge	Deena Brown Donna Lodge Becky Killian	Kim Merritt Hobby
Worshiping Communities / Campus Ministries / Youth Council (Seat and Voice)				
CHATTANOOGA		GUESTS		CLERGY
<i>Southside Abbey</i>		<i>Lisa Leopold</i>		<i>Robert Leopold</i>
JEFFERSON				
<i>St. Barnabas</i>		<i>Brenda Foreman</i> <i>Greg Foreman</i>		
Campus Ministries	Delegates	Alternate		Chaplain
<i>Tyson House - UTK</i>	Sinead Doherty			John Tirro (seat & voice)
<i>Project Canterbury - UTC</i>	Caitlin Peabody			Noel Reagan
Diocesan Council for Youth Ministries Delegates (seat and voice)				
Delegates: Renee Sleeman Rebecca Brewer Serena Tolar		Alternates: Markos Kilby Jack Wiggers		Alex Haralson, Advisor

Section

2

Minutes

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Friday, February 7, 2014
Opening Session

Call to Order

Right Reverend George Dibrell Young, III called the 30th Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee to order at 10:00 AM on Friday, February 7, 2014.

Opening Hymn and Prayer

Bishop George invited Ms. Elizabeth Emblar, postulant for holy orders, to come forward to lead us in the following prayer: *Almighty God, by the hand of Mark the evangelist you have given to your Church the Gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God: We thank you for this witness, and pray that we may be firmly grounded in its truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

Opening Remarks

Bishop George reminded the Convention that all had access to wifi in the convention hall and that they might “tweet” about the events happening here at #ETCONV2014.

Welcome from Mayor Tim Burchett, Knox County

Bishop George welcomed to the podium The Honorable Tim Burchett, Mayor of Knox County, who offered comments of welcome to the Convention.

Convention Theme

Bishop George spoke about the Convention theme and speaker, The Rev. Dr. Tom Boomershine. He stated that the theme, “Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom” one of our marks of mission, focused on learning, knowing and telling the Gospel “by heart.” He noted that throughout the Convention, we would hear from many Biblical storytellers from our Diocese who had been working with The Rev. Dr. Boomershine. Bishop George suggested that the telling of Gospel stories by heart is something parishes might consider focusing on in the coming year.

Report of the Committee on Credentials – Quorum

Bishop George called on Vice Chancellor Chris Cone, chair of the Committee on Credentials, to report on the numbers in attendance, to assure that a quorum was present. He then reported the following:

Number registered:

Clergy	71	Lay Delegates	111	Total	182
Alternates	20	Others	76	Grand Total	278

A quorum was present.

Vice Chancellor Cone reviewed the offices for which we would be electing this year. He noted the offices that nominations from the floor could still be accepted. He reminded clergy and delegates that nominations for these positions could be made from the floor until 4:45 PM this evening. Nominators should insure that the candidates are in agreement with the nomination, are communicants in good standing in their parishes and need to provide 300 copies of their photo and bio.

Elections

Bishop George asked the Convention to approve the Convention officers, as follows: Secretary: The Rev. Canon Patricia Grace; Assistant Secretary: Ms. Laura Nichols; Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer: Mr. Ron Moore, Ms. Merry Keyser; Chancellor: Ms. Sarah Sheppard; Vice Chancellors: Mr. Chris Cone, Mr. Tom Peters, The Hon. Neil Thomas, The Hon. Marie Williams. Registrar: The Rev. Canon Patricia Grace.

Convention officers approved by acclamation.

Appointment of parliamentarians

Bishop George appointed Mr. Tom Peters as Parliamentarian and Ms. Sarah Sheppard as Assistant Parliamentarian.

Parliamentarians approved by acclamation.

Adoption of Rules of Order and Order of Business

The Bishop called on Parliamentarian Peters, who moved that the Rules of Order and the Order of Business (see Section 8) be adopted by the 30th Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee. The motion was seconded.

Motion carried.

Rules of Order and Order of Business adopted.

Resolutions of Invitation

Bishop George called on the Rev. Peter Keese, president of the Standing Committee, who presented and moved two Resolutions of Invitation, 2014-01 and 2014-02. (See Section 8). The motion was seconded.

Motion carried.

Resolutions 2014-01 and 2014-02 approved.

Introduction of New Clergy and Postulants, Candidates

These new clergy, postulants and candidates were introduced by Bishop George and asked to come to the podium for a photo.

Newly ordained clergy

The Rev. Fred "Mac" Brown
The Rev. Robert Hartmans
The Rev. Christian Hawley
The Rev. Joshua Hill
The Rev. Steve White

Candidates

Justin Crisp	Priesthood
John Rouser	Diaconate

Postulants

Jerry Askew	Diaconate
Isaac Blevins	Priesthood
Sarah Cardwell	Priesthood
Spencer Cantrell	Priesthood
Elizabeth Embler	Priesthood
Boyd Evans	Priesthood
Elizabeth Farr	Priesthood
Matt Farr	Priesthood
Jon Hermes	Priesthood
Zack Nyein	Priesthood
Ellie Pickett	Local process for Priesthood
RJ Powell	Priesthood
Lee Ragsdale	Diaconate
Ben Thomas	Priesthood
Sarai Wender	Diaconate
Amy Morehous	Priesthood

Introduction of Convention Planning Committee

Bishop George introduced the members of the Convention planning committee, as follows:

Host Parish	The Rev. Dr. Hal Hutchison, St. John's, Johnson City
Reception	
Communications	Ms. Vikki Myers, diocesan staff Mr. Alex Haralson, diocesan staff
Exhibits	
Worship	Mr. Jason Overall, St. John's Cathedral Mr. Freddie Babson, Good Samaritan The Rev. Canon Chris Hackett
Registration	Ms. Lynn Lazlo, Diocesan Staff
Secretary to Convention	The Rev. Canon Patricia M. Grace, Diocesan staff
Assistant Secretary	Ms. Laura Nichols, Diocesan staff
Logistics	Ms. Laura Nichols, Diocesan staff
Technology	Mr. Alex Haralson, Diocesan staff
Finance	Mr. Ron Moore, Treasurer Ms. Merry Keyser, Assistant Treasurer Mr. Kirby Purjet, Diocesan staff
Volunteers/Greeters	Ms. Mary Embler, Good Samaritan, Knoxville, Dr. Tom Ladd, Church of the Ascension, Knoxville

Presentation of Special Guests

Bishop George introduced The Rt. Reverend John Tarrant, Bishop of the Diocese of South Dakota, our companion Diocese. Bishop Tarrant will be our homilist for the Convention Eucharist. Bishop George thanked him for the gift of time and presented him with his own set of Diocese of East Tennessee “logo-wear.”

Elections to Boards and Commissions

Bishop George reviewed the list of committees, offices and appointees to be made in 2014. He asked the Convention to elect these as listed in the Convention Delegate booklet. (See Appendix I in this Journal).

**Motion carried.
Nominees approved by acclamation.**

Bishop George noted the contribution of the Rev. Al Minor, who has been the chaplain to the retired clergy for many years. Rev. Al will be stepping down from that post this year and a replacement will be appointed within the next month.

The Bishop’s Address

Bishop George asked The Rev. Peter Keese, President of the Standing Committee, to take his seat as chair of the Convention as he moved to the podium to make his report to the Convention. (See Section 3 for the complete content of Bishop George's address). The Bishop’s comments were received with a standing ovation by all the participants in the Convention Hall.

Bishop George then invited The Rev. Christian Hawley, Church of the Ascension, to come forward and lead us in the following prayer: *O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

Workshop #1 “Jesus teaches the Church: Mark 16:1-8”

Bishop George invited The Rev. Dr. Boomershine to come forward. He presented the first of his workshops on Biblical storytelling.

Bishop George then invited The Rev. Lani Hubbard, Church of the Good Shepherd, Knoxville, to come forward and lead us in the following prayer: *O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

Mr. Jonathan Perry, St. Thomas, Elizabethton, then presented Mark 8:1-10 (“Jesus feeds the poor”) in the Biblical storytelling fashion.

Announcements and Recess for Lunch

The Convention adjourned for a brief lunch.

Friday, February 7, 2014
Afternoon Session

Convention Reconvened

Bishop George called the convention back to order at 1:15 PM.

Report of the Committee on Credentials – Quorum

Bishop George called again on Vice Chancellor Chris Cone, chair of the Committee on Credentials, to report on the numbers in attendance, to assure that a quorum was present. Vice Chancellor Cone reported the following:

Clergy	80	Lay Delegates	126	Total	206
Alternates	25	Others	89	Grand Total	320

A quorum was present.

Vice Chancellor Cone reminded the Convention again of the rules for nominations from the floor. He noted that only those with yellow name tags would be given a ballot to vote and suggested that if anyone was a delegate and did not have the proper color nametag, to immediately visit the registration area to correct that issue.

Bishop George noted that there were flyers on the delegates' tables about an Altar Guild Workshop, sponsored by the Church of the Good Shepherd, Knoxville. He stated that the trainer was someone with a national reputation and should be an excellent offered. Registration would begin on Monday via the Diocesan website.

Treasurer's Report

Ms. Merry Kyser, Assistant Treasurer, reviewed the final numbers from fiscal year 2013, which have yet to be audited. She presented and moved Resolution 2014-03 (see Section 8), to approve the financial actions of Bishop and Council in 2013.

Motion carried.

Resolution 2014-03 approved.

Ms. Keyser reported that 2013 was a very successful year, with a surplus. The surplus, by policy, was transferred to the Emergency fund, which provides, among other things, support for Grace Point. We received a good audit report in mid 2013 for the Fiscal year 2012. These audit documents are available to anyone who wishes to review them. Ms. Keyser thanked the parishes for their efforts to confirm their voluntary commitments for 2014. This will help to finalize the proposed budget. In 2013, we closed the Book Store, and the results of all the work involved in that is reflected in the budget and will be detailed in the audit for 2013, which will be received in June, 2014.

The Treasurer's Report was approved by acclamation.

Reports of Officers, Boards, Commissions and Committees

Bishop George invited the following to come forward and make reports as noted below. The text of these reports can be found in Section 5 of this journal.

- Metropolitan Ministries: Ms. Rebecca Whelchel
- Standing Committee: The Rev. Peter Keese
- Commission on Ministry: Hendree Harrison
- Constitutions and Canons Committee: The Honorable Marie Williams
- Ministry and Congregational Development: Mr. Rick Govan
- Southside Abbey: The Rev. Bob Leopold

Mary Brennan, Office, Mission Communication with The Episcopal Church, who is our liaison, made a report and showed a video called “We are missionaries” which is available on the TEC website.

Special Guest Introduction

Bishop George introduced special guest, The Rev. John Ander Runkle, newly appointed Director of the retreat center at St. Mary’s, Sewanee, who shared a few words about resources available there.

Break

Bishop George called for a break.

Convention Reconvened at 2:45 PM

Convention Workshops

The Convention was then invited to participate in the following workshops:

2:45 - 3:30 p.m.

“Telling the Passion Narrative during Holy Week” –

The Rev. Dr. Tom Boomershine, Convention Hall

“Contemporary Music and Worship:

The Rev. John Tirro, Mr. Zack Nyein, Tennessee Ballroom

3:45 – 4:30 p.m.

“Telling Matthew’s Resurrection Story on Easter”

The Rev. Dr. Tom Boomershine, Convention Hall

“Proclaiming the Gospel through Social Media”

Ms. Vikki Myers, Ms. Renee Haralson, Tennessee Ballroom

Convention business resumed at 4:30 PM

Report of the Committee on General Resolutions and Last Call for Resolutions

Bishop George called on The Rev. Kim Hobby, Chair of the General Resolutions Committee, to report. Rev. Hobby noted that resolutions could be submitted by clergy,

delegates and others as specified in the canons by 4:45 PM on that afternoon. She stated that these resolutions and any amendments would be discussed in the hearings this afternoon at 5:00 PM. She reminded clergy and delegates that there would not be the opportunity for that kind of discussion on the Convention floor when the resolutions came up for a vote. Rev. Hobby called attention to two general resolutions which would be considered at the hearing for action tomorrow: Resolution 2014-07 and Resolution 2014-08 (See Section 8). She briefly reviewed their content.

Report of the Elections Committee and Last Call for Nominations

Bishop George called Vice Chancellor Chris Cone to report on Elections. He reported that nominations will close this afternoon at 4:45 PM including nominations from the floor. Nominees from the floor need to submit 300 copies of their biographies and photos. He reviewed the list of nominees which were listed beginning on page 21 in the delegate booklet. He noted that Ms. Hilary Hodgkins had withdrawn her nomination for Bishop and Council, Lay representative, Southeast.

Announcements

Bishop George asked that Convention participants take their convention booklets and belongings with them so that tables may be set for dinner. He reminded folks to bring their meal tickets to the banquet and place them in front of them on the tables. Dinner is open seating. He encouraged parishes to break up and get to know new people by sitting with folks they don't know. Bishop George asked that all plan to check out of hotel rooms and place bags in the car before beginning tomorrow's events, if possible. The hotel's check-out time is at 12 noon. He noted where the hearings will be held. He reminded all of the reception at 6:00PM in the Tennessee Ballroom with dinner to follow.

Closing Prayer and Recess

Bishop George closed the day's session with prayer.

The Convention was in recess until 8:45 AM on Saturday, February 8, 2014.

Dinner

The Rev. Jim Anderson, St. Luke's, Knoxville offered this prayer: *Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

The Rev. Michelle Warriner Bolt presented "a dinner parable at dinner."
(Luke 14:(1-11)12-24.

Annual Photography Contest Awards:

Bishop George and Sarah Adams, this year's photography contest juror, presented the winners of this year's Photography Contest.

1st Place: Matt Harbison, "Into the Mystic"

2nd Place: The Rev. Carol Westpfahl, "We Shall Overcome"

3rd Place: Boyd Evans, "Liturgical Tradition"

People's Choice award: Matt Harbison, "Into the Mystic"

More information and copies of these photos can be found in Appendix II of this journal.

Entertainment

The Rev. Dr. Hal Hutchison introduced the ETSU Bluegrass Pride Band which provided the evening's entertainment.

Night Prayer

The Diocesan Youth Ministry Team invited all the participants to attend a worship service from the Iona Community in Parlor 2.

Young Adult Gathering

A Young Adult gathering was held in the Icon Lounge, Sunsphere.

Saturday, February 8, 2014 Morning Session

Convention Reconvened

Bishop George called the convention back to order at 8:45 AM on Saturday, February 8, 2014.

He called on Mr. Dexter Cantelou, St. Francis, Ooltewah, and chair of the Stewardship Commission to come forward and lead the Convention in the following prayer:
Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

The Rev. Doctor, Hal Hutchison, presented John 13:1-8, 34-35, "Serve one another."

Bishop George noted that he had overlooked introducing Sarah Cardwell, postulant for Holy Orders, during yesterday's introductions. He also introduced Noel Reagan, who is the new chaplain at Project Canterbury in Chattanooga.

Bishop George also reminded the Convention that the Diocese would be celebrating the life and work of Rev. Absalom Jones, on February 23rd, at the Church of the Ascension, 5:00 PM. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Report of the Committee on Credentials – Quorum

Bishop George called again on Vice Chancellor Chris Cone, chair of the Committee on Credentials, to report on the numbers in attendance, to assure that a quorum was present. Vice Chancellor Cone reported the following:

Clergy	66	Lay Delegates	133	Total	199
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He did not provide a report of the other attendees.

A quorum was present.

Elections

Mr. Cone reviewed the ballot again.

Mr. Cone reviewed those candidates who were running unopposed. These he would ask to be elected by acclamation.

The first election by acclamation was for Dr. Jerry Lowery for Lay representative, Southeast. The Bishop called for a vote by acclamation.

Motion carried.

Dr. Lowery was elected to the Bishop and Council by acclamation.

The second election by acclamation was for Mr. Bunky Seay, Lay representative, Upper East. The Bishop called for a vote by acclamation.

Motion carried.

Mr. Seay was elected to the Bishop and Council by acclamation.

The third election by acclamation was for The Rev. Peter Keese for Clergy representative, Standing Committee. The Bishop called for a vote by acclamation.

Motion carried.

The Rev. Keese was elected to the Standing Committee.

The fourth election by acclamation was for The Rev. Bob Leopold, for clergy representative for the Board of Trustees, University of the South. The Bishop called for a vote by acclamation.

Motion carried.

The Rev. Leopold was elected as clergy representative, to the Board of Trustees, University of the South.

The elections of the remaining candidates for all offices was then held.

Installation of new Diocesan staff

Bishop George introduced two new staff to the Diocesan Office, The Rev. Canon Patricia Grace, Canon to the Ordinary and Mr. Kirby Purjet, Diocesan Administrator. He “officially” installed them in their new positions with proclamations. (See Appendix II for a copy of these remarks).

Presentation and adoption of 2014 Budget

Ms. Keyser was called forward to present the finalized 2014 Diocesan budget.

She reported that the budget which was distributed on the tables this morning is the final amended copy. The budget hearing last evening was a wonderful event, she noted, because they were able to restore \$17,231 in prior cuts to the budget, based on the response of the parishes to their annual voluntary asking amounts. A column has been added on this new amended budget to show where the funds were restored. The decisions about which funds to restore was based on work done by the Finance Committee prior to this meeting, in which they carefully documented and prioritized what amounts would be added back into the budget should new revenue become available. Hearing no other discussion, Ms. Keyser asked for a motion to approve the 2014 Budget as presented (and placed on the tables) this morning.

**Motion carried.
2014 Budget approved.**

Report of the Committee on General Resolutions

The Rev. Kim Hobby was called forward to present the finalized general resolutions.

She presented Resolution 2014-07 as amended in the hearing on 2/7/14. The final amended text of the resolution can be found in Section 5. There were no amendments made to this resolution in the hearings. The Rev. Bo Lewis was called forward to provide some additional explanation and background for the Resolution. The Rev. Cal Calhoun also provided some history as to the involvement of the Diocese in this matter for the past several years.

**Motion carried.
Resolution 2014-07 was approved.**

The Rev. Hobby presented Resolution 2014-08. There were two amendments made in the hearing, one to title the Resolution and another to add an explanation of the acronym SEED, used in the explanation. Questions were raised about whether this resolution would call for financial commitments from the Diocese. The answer was no. Another question was asked about whether this group was working with the Community Action Agency (CAC), a federal agency, which has been providing weatherization and other forms of related assistance for many years in Knoxville and all over the country. It was ascertained that the Climate 1000 group works with CAC and a host of other local, state and federal groups on this issue.

**Motion carried.
Resolution 2014-08 was approved.**

Bishop George gave special recognition to The Church of the Resurrection, Loudon; Grace Church, Chattanooga; and St. Paul's, Chattanooga, for the many ways they have offered their space and resources for Diocesan events and for an off-site office/meeting for the bishop and Rick Govan.

Resolution of Appreciation – Mary Berl

Bishop George presented Resolution 2014-06 expressing appreciation for Ms. Mary Berl, who served as the Diocesan Administrator for nearly twenty years and retired this month. By this resolution he was recommending the creation of a camper scholarship fund in her name for those who wish to attend Grace Point camps and programs. The resolution was approved with a standing ovation. See Section 8 for the text of the resolution.

Reports of Officers, Boards, Commissions and Committees

Bishop George invited the representatives of the following groups to make a report to the Convention.

Constitutions and Canons Committee: The Hon. Marie Williams reported on two resolutions proposed by the Constitutions and Canons Committee, 2014-04 and 2014-05. There were no amendments of the resolutions during the hearings.

Bishop George called for a vote on Resolution 2014-04.

**Motion carried.
Resolution 2014-04 was approved.**

Bishop George called for a vote on Resolution 2014-05.

**Motion carried.
Resolution 2014-05 was approved.**

Grace Point: The Rev. Brad Jones showed the most recent Grace Point video. He introduced the summer camp staff who were in attendance.

Youth Ministry: Alex Haralson provided information about Youth programs around the Diocese. He invited representatives from the Diocesan Youth Council to provide information about how the Council has made a difference to them as well as the Diocese.

Final Report of the Elections Committee

Bishop George called Mr. Chris Cone forward to report on the outcome of the elections. Mr. Cone reported as follows:

Bishop and Council: The Rev. Brett Backus, Middle East Clergy representative

Disciplinary Board: The Rev. Brad Jones, Ms. Melinda Davis, Ms. Alison Shaw

Standing Committee: Ms. Andrea Odle

General Convention Deputies: (in order of election)

Clergy: The Rev. Leyla King, The Rev. Andy Olivo, he Rev. Maggie Zeller, The Rev. Cal Calhoun.

Clergy Alternates: The Rev. Gordon Brewer, The Rev. Robert Hartmans

Lay deputies: Ms. Lisa Leopold, Mr. Henry Lodge, Ms. Lynn Schmissrauter, and Ms. Jennifer Dunn

Lay alternates: Mr. Michael Moore, Ms. Lynn Swearingen, Mr. Boyd Evans, and Mr. Rob Luffman

Memorials, Resolutions of Appreciation and Affectionate Greetings

Bishop George invited The Rev. Robert Hartmans, St. Timothy's, Signal Mountain and Ms. Rebecca Brewer, Diocesan Youth Council delegate, to come forward to present memorials, resolutions of appreciation and affectionate greetings. The full text of this report can be found in Section 8.

Invitation to Host 2015 Convention

The Very Rev. John Ross, dean of St. John's Cathedral, was invited forward to issue the invitation to attend Convention 2015 as presented in Resolution 2014-09. The text of this resolution can be found in Section 8.

**Motion carried.
Resolution 2014-09 was adopted.**

Recess

The Bishop reminded the gathered body that the Convention was not yet adjourned for the year: we would complete our Convention business at the Convention Eucharist which was to immediately follow. All participants were given instructions about where to convene for the procession to St. John's Cathedral.

Convention Reconvened

The Convention reconvened for the celebration of Holy Eucharist.

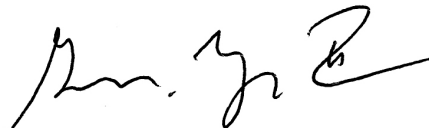
Convention Adjourned

The 30th Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee was adjourned with the words of Dismissal offered at the conclusion of the Convention Eucharist.

Attest:



The Rev. Canon Patricia M. Grace
Secretary, Convention



The Rt. Rev. George D. Young, III
Bishop of the Diocese of East Tennessee

Section

3

Bishop's Address
to the Thirtieth Annual Diocesan Convention

The Rt. Rev. George Dibrell Young, III
Fourth Bishop of the Diocese of East Tennessee

30th Annual Convention – Episcopal Diocese of East Tennessee
February 7, 2014 - Bishop's Address

Good Morning! Welcome to the 30th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Church in East Tennessee.

Thank you for being here. It is good that we are here.

Thank you for sharing your valuable and precious time; please know that we do not take that lightly.

Our hope and expectation is that this time together will be valuable and precious as well.

I trust you know by now that our theme for this convention is the 1st Mark of Mission: "Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom"

And also, as we have mentioned the last two years, we have an ongoing vision for all of our conventions and that is to "celebrate, inspire, and equip."

So we hope and pray that all of those will happen in some form or fashion.

We have much to celebrate here in our life together as the Diocese of East Tennessee, and we plan to highlight as much of that as we can in these next two days.

I want to say a very special thank you to the wonderful, gifted, committed staff I work with:

Herb Berl, Rick Govan, Alex Haralson, Brad Jones, Lynn Lazlo, Vikki Myers, Laura Nichols, - and our two newest members – Canon to the Ordinary Pat Grace (3 months), and Diocesan Administrator, Kirby Purjet (a whopping 4 days!).

These are great, faithful people committed to you, to your congregations and ministries, and to the mission of Jesus in the world.

They work hard and do great things, and I'm thankful to them and for them.

Thanks also, especially – to you – the people, leaders, and clergy in our parishes. Your context is where the rubber hits the road, where the true, every day, basic ministry happens, and none of us forgets that for a second.

You do it well, and you do it energetically and imaginatively.

Word has spread around the country that you are an exceptionally healthy, vital, flexible, creative, and Spirit-filled community of Episcopalians.

You are a gift to all of East Tennessee, the broader church and world, and to me.

Thank you for being who you are, and doing what you do.
Thank you and God bless you!

ADDRESS

So – remember – those of you who were here last year – we spent some time focusing on the 5 Marks of Mission.

I asked every parish and worshipping community to hang in plain sight the poster we gave to you last year of the 5 MM, and you did. Way to go!

So – as a review – here are the 5MM:

- ~ To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
- ~ To teach, baptize and nurture new believers
- ~ To respond to human need by loving service
- ~ To seek to transform unjust structures of society
- ~ To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

These are marks, signs, displays of what it looks like when we are living faithfully into the mission of God.

So - “Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom” – what does that mean?

Let’s go backwards in the phrase – the Kingdom:

Think – instead of a place – think – a concept, like “The reign of God” – an experience of life – NOW - in which God reigns. Not a place – like where you go when you die. NOW!

Then – “Good News”. What is the Good News?

Simplistically, the Good News is that God – in the person of Jesus – loves us. Loves you. Loves me. Loves everyone. Completely, always, forever.

Just because. We call that grace.

And then –proclaim. What does that mean? Synonyms:

Advertise, broadcast, declare, announce, publicize, assert, make known ...

As my brother, Bishop Michael Curry has said – it begins with saying SOMETHING. Anything – just say something!

So - Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom – what does that sound like?

Last year, our convention theme was “Send Us Out With Gladness and Singleness of Heart”

We talked about being “sent out” – that is – being people with a “mission”

It seems then, that – if we are a people with a mission, we must be “missionaries”

What do you think about that? Watch this!

Unexpected missionaries, fun missionaries,
We're sent out to share, respond, link, serve, partner
We're adventurous, creative, fearless – and yeah, a little crazy. Got that right!
Join us.

We are all missionaries. Or we are nothing.

Nothing? Sounds a bit harsh, doesn't it? Maybe it is. But it does make the point, doesn't it?
We are all missionaries.

We – Christians, that is – we are all sent out. We have a mission.

Sometimes we forget that. We forget and get caught up thinking that this “church thing”, this life in Christian community, is about us – our satisfaction and comfort.

I came across a quote recently that I had cut out of a newspaper in 2002. It says:

Jesus calls us to be fishers of people, but we seem quickly to become keepers of the aquarium.
Let that sink in for a minute!

Jesus calls us to go out, to find people, to share good news with people, to spread joy and hope in the world, and we get stuck in our own little fishbowl.

See – here's the thing; actually – here are 3 things:

1st – the church isn't going to grow unless we – you and I and the other people in our churches – go out and make it happen. It's up to us. But this isn't simply about growing our churches.

2nd – if we care about people in the world – and certainly people we know, and know well – our families, friends, neighbors, co-workers, fellow students – if we care about them - people who have no religious affiliation, people who don't know hope and joy and love – wouldn't we want them to hear some good news?

Some of the joy and meaning in life that we have?

Don't we want that?

It's not about forcing ourselves on people, but telling. Inviting. Sharing.

Saying something!

3rd – and most importantly – Jesus asks us – not to spend all of our time, energy, and money on keeping the aquarium – but on fishing for people.

You know the old joke – what do you get when you cross a Jehovah's Witness with an Episcopalian?

Someone who knocks on your door for no apparent reason.

Funny? Hmmm.

That might be about not being sure what we believe – which is not true.

Or – and this is my point - it could be about not knowing what to say.

Bad joke – we have MUCH to say!

We know Good News.

We have Good News.

So – back to evangelism.

You'll be glad to know – we have a PLAN. We have training in mind. Here is a preview of that:

Well, okay – maybe not.

But – isn't the picture of evangelism that comes to mind about coercion?

We have to get rid of that picture!

Here are some others:

We do want people to share their views with us. Listening is huge!

And another:

Sally, Charlie Brown's sister is cute and everything – but no hitting with your lunchboxes!!

Maybe sharing a meal?

And another:

The “love” part is right on target – trapping, redefining? – not so good.

There's a website called “The Working Preacher”. The author, the Rev. David Lose is a Lutheran Pastor affiliated with Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN.

Those of you who preach – if you're not familiar with it - look it up; it's one of my very favorites!

Those of you who listen to preachers – look it up and encourage your preachers!

So – Rev. Lose wrote:

At its heart, evangelism is:

Noticing what God is doing in our lives,

Sharing that with others, and

Inviting them to come and see for themselves.

Noticing ... Sharing ... Inviting ... Come and See – good stuff!

And depending on people to see for themselves.

Don't we get caught up sometimes thinking we're being asked to "convince" people of something – not even coercing or hitting with a lunchbox – but convincing?! As if we're arguing or debating?

We're not – we simply notice, share, and invite – and allow people to see for themselves.

Okay – a short exercise: please turn to someone close (proximity-wise) to you, and take a moment to tell one another ONE thing you LOVE about your church.

Ready? Go!!

I know – you could have gone on forever – but we do want to have lunch J

That wasn't so hard, was it?

Talking to someone you know about something important to you?

Something you love and has great meaning in your life?

Simple, right?!

Someone said – “We must recognize that we don't bring God to people; we talk with people to help them discover a God who is already present and active in their lives.

I love that, don't you?

“We must recognize that we don't bring God to people; we talk with people to help them discover a God who is already present and active in their lives.

Think on that for a moment.

We have lots of challenges in Proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom though, don't we?

First of all – for us Episcopalians – the thing we most want to avoid is being tacky. I know that's right there in the BCP isn't it – maybe as a pre-commandment before the other 10 – “thou shalt not be tacky if thou wishest to be an authentic Episcopalian”.

Seriously – we have to change some of our ideas – which we've talked about. And – here is a biggie – we have to change some of the ways we do things.

I know – ouch!!! Change? We love that, don't we?!

We must look outside our beautiful, holy, comfortable, familiar aquariums.

But not that far really.

We begin – not with knocking on the doors of people we don't know (though if you're up for that – go for it!)

We begin with people we know, and who know us.

Our family members, our friends, our neighbors, colleagues, our fellow students.
People we know – people with whom noticing, sharing, inviting is not threatening – or, God forbid – tacky! But – natural.

The Rev. Tom Brackett – who is Missioner for Church Planting and Ministry Redevelopment for the Episcopal Church – shared an intriguing thought recently.

He said, “The longer one is an Episcopalian, the fewer friends outside the church one has”.

Now this is one of those good news/bad news things.

Good news because what often happens is we find wonderful people, with whom we can be real and open and honest and vulnerable, and they become our best friends. That’s great!
But – bad news because we can get isolated from people who are not just like us.

We have to GO OUT – out beyond our comfortable aquariums.
Out where we meet and know people who might be very different from us.
THAT’S where the people are.

Think about all this as we have workshops on telling biblical stories, and contemporary music and worship, and social media.
Think about it as we talk about youth ministry and college ministry and summer camp; about social ministries and outreach ministries, about ordained and lay ministry.
Think about it as we elect people to serve on diocesan groups and the General Convention, and as we pass a budget.

We are ALL missionaries. Or we are nothing.
What will it be, Diocese of East Tennessee?

Tending aquariums – or fishing for people?

Here – let me give you a model.

Oh yeah! We’re Christians, We’re Episcopalians, and we’re out to share God’s love with everyone!

We can do this.
The world needs us.
Our churches need us.
People we know - and don’t know - need us.
People like us – and people not like us – need us.

And besides – Jesus told us to.

“Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom”

God has a mission.

And God has a church through whom to do that mission.
And that's us – you and me.
We are God's missionaries. All of us!
So – let's do this!!!

God bless you missionaries!

Section

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Necrology

Necrology Report 2014

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

Susan Grant	St. Alban's
Amanda Wynn	St. Alban's
Jim Davis	St. Alban's
Harriet Bolton	St. Clare's, LaFollette
John "Milton" Bailey	St. Elizabeth's
Mark Parsons	St. Francis, Ooltewah
Sue Yeago	Good Samaritan
Austin Sperry	Good Samaritan
Ed Glass	Good Samaritan
Jack Dance	Good Samaritan
Laura Root	St. James, Knoxville
Jeannie Hall	St. James, Knoxville
J. Harold Hotchkiss	St. James, Knoxville
Gene Roberts	St. Peter's
Beverly Kepner	St. Peter's
Julia Fields	St. Peter's
William J. Wilcox	St. Stephen's

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Bishop's Discretionary Fund

Receipts

Church Offerings	10,967.31
Gifts/Contributions	654.00
Total.....	\$11,621.31

Disbursements

Clergy and Other Assistance	2,953.17
Contributions/Donations	9,050.00
Convention	0.00
Dues	0.00
General Convention	0.00
Meetings/Conferences	1,727.00
Publications/Subscriptions	45.00
Seminarian Assistance	0.00
Total	\$13,775.17

Nonparochial Clergy Report

Name	Morning &/or Evening Prayer	Holy Eucharist	Sermons Preached	Baptisms	Presented for Confirmation	Marriages	Burials	Other
King Oehmig		10	14				2	
Brad Jones		35	20					
Joshua Hill		45	Daily on school days			1	2	
Hunter Huckabay		30	30	1		1	12	
Jeffrey Batkin		2	2					
Stanley Carter	45	3	2					
Carson Fraser			2				3	
Ellis Mayfield	2	15	6	3		1	1	
Jocelyn Bell		58	32	1			4	
Susanna Metz	7	70	108	3		2	4	23
Wendie Jekabsons		2	4				2	
Scherry Fouke		6	6			1		
Rob Henley		10	10					
Hugh Jones							1	
Gordon Temple		84	41			1	2	11
Kay Reynolds		47	43			1		1
Kathryn Mathewson		5	7			1		
Walter Thomas								1
Gary Callahan		9	9	1				
Ward Ewing		4	6				1	
John Talbird		10	15				2	
Robert Beasley		41	41				1	
Charles vonRosenberg		35	25	2	11	2	1	5

Reports to Convention

Anti-Racism Commission

The Anti-Racism Commission as mandated by the General Convention of the Episcopal Church exists to support the Diocese, its parishes and related organizations in eliminating racism and encouraging cultural diversity, recognizing and incorporating, the diverse and enriching gifts of all races and cultures.

To fulfill the task entrusted to the Anti-Racism Commission by the Diocese of East Tennessee, the Commission met in November 2012 for training with Lelanda Lee in how to present Anti-Racism workshops. The topics included were stereotyping, different forms of racism, and how to face one's own prejudices. Presentations include videos, exercises and discussion. We are now ready to offer similar workshops to the Diocese, its parishes and related institutions as an impetus to action. Ms. Lee described the workshops as holy work; they were non-confrontational and a fresh approach to the work of anti-racism. Prayer was central to the work.

Now that members of the Commission have gone through the workshops, we have met to design presentations in short segments as introductions to the longer workshops. A team is now ready to present the model for groups such as the vestry of an individual church, for example, which may decide if they want to pursue the longer workshops.

Another team has been formed to provide postings and information to the diocesan website. This will include information about current happenings regarding immigration issues, for example.

It is the hope and prayer of the Commission that the Diocese can and will become an anti-racist, multi-cultural organization that will embrace the totality of its members without regards to racial and cultural differences, and will see such differences as assets to be celebrated in its on-going life.

Members of the Commission in 2013 were: The Rev. Canon Stephen Askew, The Rev. James Anderson, Mr. Alex Haralson, The Rev. Patricia Jane Lynes-Tway, Mr. Michael Moore, Ms. Nancy Mott, Ms. Patricia Pearsall, The Rev. Kay Reynolds, Mr. Rick Roach and Dr. Walter Williams, Jr. We give thanks for their commitment and hard work.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. James R. Anderson
Convener

Patricia Pearsall,
Writer

Appalachian Ministry Resource Team Report

Appalachian Ministry Resource Team

The goals of the AMRT are to provide opportunities for mission work and connect individuals with community resources in the Appalachian region. We have a long history of work in the Diocese. New members are welcome to join our team at any time and we would love to see new parishes represented. Meeting dates can be found on the Diocese of East Tennessee's website: <https://dioet.org>

Our Resource Booklet was updated in 2013 and can be downloaded on the Diocesan website. It offers a variety of mission trips, youth trips and camp opportunities for everyone. A hard copy is also available by contacting the chair of the AMRT.

We moved away from the summer Appalachian Kid's Camp that had been put together for years at Grace Point and have new plans in the works. We are considering having a Kid's Reading Camp in summer 2015 and have formed a truly exceptional committee to look at the feasibility and plans that it would entail. We are excited to hopefully move forward with this idea as the year progresses. If you might be interested in helping with a project like this please contact the AMRT chair.

Our page on the Diocesan website has been updated so please visit it for more information and contact information about our group. We are looking forward to being of assistance to individuals and groups, who would like more information about this area. Feel free to visit our page on Facebook and like us for more updates under Appalachian Ministry Resource Team.

Megan Alden
Chair, AMRT

Bishop and Council Highlights for 2013

Each of these Bishop and Council meetings included reports from Bishop Young, the chancellor, treasurer, campus ministries, Grace Point, ministry development, youth ministry, communication, deployment and other officers, committees and staff. The status of the budget is submitted for approval and discussion at each meeting. The following actions were taken at Bishop and Council meetings during 2013.

April 3, 2013

A motion was passed that Bishop and Council re-visit the mileage reimbursement annually in December, look at what the Federal Rates are and make a motion for setting mileage reimbursement for recommendation for our diocese, applicable to diocesan staff and supply clergy.

May 30, 2013

On recommendation from the Opportunity Fund, a motion was passed that an expansion grant of \$6,000 be given to Trinity Church, Gatlinburg. Social Ministries grants: \$3,625 to Family Promise, Knoxville; \$7,250 to Metropolitan Ministries, Chattanooga, and \$3,625 to Steps House, Knoxville.

On recommendation from the Innovative Community Ministry Fund Committee, a motion was passed to make a change in their procedures as follows: There are no deadlines for applications since the ICMF committee will meet to discuss applications as they are received and funds are requested, with at least two meetings per year (spring/fall) for consideration of applications.

On recommendation of the Innovative Community Ministry Fund Committee, a motion was passed to nominate Mr. Dexter Cantalou to serve on the ICMF Committee.

Motion passed that would allow Southside Abbey to file the appropriate papers with the State of Tennessee to incorporate as a Worshipping Community of the Diocese of East Tennessee.

On recommendation of the ICMF Committee, a motion passed to approve a grant of \$1,200 to Southside Abbey for the Pentecost Tongues of Fire Chili Cook-off.

Motion passed to send \$5,000 to The Episcopal Church in South Carolina.

Motion passed to revisit the mileage issue at the meeting prior to the December meeting.

Motion passed that Bishop and Council adopt the Diocese of East Tennessee's Policies and Procedures Manual for Dealing with Sexual Misconduct.

October 1, 2013

Motion passed to keep the Voluntary Asking at 10% the first \$150,000 and 12% above \$150,001 which is the same as the 2013 asking.

Motion passed that the minimum for cost sharing for employers providing health insurance through Medical Trust will be 75% payment of the single employee premium for the HSA/High Deductible coverage.

Motion passed that in preparation for the requirement of parity between clergy and lay full time employees by January 1, 2016, the budget committee shall make changes for the 2014 budget moving toward that requirement in a step wise manner with further changes in the 2015 budget allowing full compliance in the 2016 budget.

Motion passed that qualifying non-congregational organizations including but not limited to schools, nursing homes and the like, may participate in the denominational health plan through the diocese. Such organizations choosing not to participate shall obtain a quote for coverage from the Medical Trust each year.

Motion passed that the Medical Trust coverage plans offered for 2014 will be the same as those offered in 2013 – BCBS Empire HSA/High Deductible plan, Empire PPO 75/50 and Empire PPO 80/60 – at the rates published from Medical Trust.

Motion passed that the 2014 mileage reimbursement rate will be \$0.52/mile.

Motion passed to continue to use the present policy and remove the phrase “for mileage over 25 miles.” This will be posted on our website with the date it was reconsidered.

Motion passed to accept the recommendation of the Opportunity Fund Committee: Church Expansion Grant - \$14,000 to St. Paul's, Chattanooga for St. Catherine's Shelter; Social Ministries Grant - \$9,000 to Aid to Distressed Families of Appalachia (Oak Ridge), \$9,000 to The Next Door (Knoxville), \$5,834 to Southside Abbey (Chattanooga), \$6,166 to St. Paul's, Chattanooga (St. Catherine's Shelter).

On recommendation of the Innovative Ministry Fund Committee, a motion passed to contribute \$750.00 to Southside Abbey.

December 10, 2013

Motion passed to approve the 2014 proposed budget that was submitted by the Finance Committee and will be presented at the 2014 Diocesan Convention.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, motion passed to send the Minimum Insurance Requirements information along with a letter to the parishes.

Motion passed to accept the housing resolutions submitted with the minutes for the Rt. Rev. George D. Young, III and the Rev. Canon Pat Grace.

Commission on Ministry Report

The Commission on Ministry (COM) 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. A primary function of the COM is to facilitate the discernment process for East Tennessee Episcopalians who are discerning a call to ordained ministry.

The Commission on Ministry meets every 4-6 weeks including an annual autumn Discernment Retreat.

Our 2013 Discernment Retreat took place in Loudon, Tennessee at the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection. After the retreat the bishop named five aspirants as postulants for ordination to the priesthood.

The COM seeks to continually encourage all Christ-followers to enter into discernment activity around call to ministry as all the baptized are indeed ministers! The COM is constantly amazed by and vigorously supportive of the inspiring ministry of Deputy Rick Govan who is a mighty herald of the good news that all baptized people are ministers in the church. The COM encourages everyone in the diocese to participate in the rich offerings that Deputy Govan presents for our benefit throughout the year.

The COM also wants to encourage the clergy of our diocese to entertain discernment conversation, prayer, and activity with potential aspirants on an ongoing basis.

Newly revised discernment process documents for both priest and deacon track aspirants are now posted to our diocesan website.

The COM has developed a discernment calendar (on the web now) to help guide the formal discernment conversation and activities with the COM. As you know, the bishop gives the “go-ahead” for aspirants to begin COM-supported local discernment work beyond Clergy/Aspirant conversations. The window of time for clergy and aspirants to communicate with the bishop about potential aspirants to ordination is September 1st - December 1st.

At present the Episcopal Diocese of East Tennessee has 16 people on the journey to ordination. We have 1 candidate for the priesthood, 11 priest postulants, and 3 deacon postulants and 1 deacon candidate.

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 the historic retreat and gathering-place of the Episcopal Church in Tennessee, and serves numerous other educational, religious and arts groups through its hospitality and programming.

Our programs support the vitality and community of the Episcopal Church. They include Camp Gailor-Maxon, Tennessee's summer camp for Episcopal youth, and Winterfest, the annual Winter retreat for high school age youth. DuBose is also home of the Episcopal Laymen of Tennessee Annual Conference and the Sewanee Church Music Conference.

DuBose is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, governed by an independent 21-member board of directors, whose property and assets are jointly owned by the three Episcopal dioceses of Tennessee. The three Tennessee bishops serve as ex-officio members of the Board, and East Tennessee appoints one board member. Officers in 2013 were Brad Almquist, President; Bob Sarratt, Vice President; Whitney Harrington, Secretary; and Jim Beaty, Treasurer.

After 24 years of service, Kim Agee retired as Executive Director this past summer—she is greatly missed. Ernest Walker is currently Executive Director.

As of December 2013, DuBose hosted more than 70 events, welcomed over 4,000 guests and served more than 22,000 meals. Winterfest had nearly 60 youth ring in the 2013 New Year at DuBose, and Gailor-Maxon welcomed 189 campers in June – a fourth year of double-digit growth for CGM. A brand-new program for families, DuBose Family Camp, drew 55 adults and children to DuBose for Labor Day weekend. Numerous parishes have held retreats and special events with us.

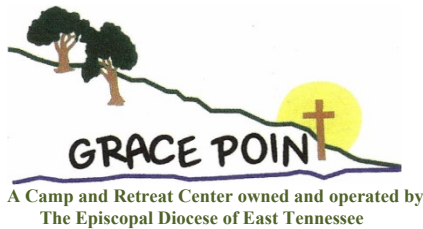
DuBose continues to improve its facilities and operations through the generous support of donors, friends and volunteers. This year, DuBose has improved its camp cabin facilities, adding a separate counselor room to a Winter Cabin and rebuilding the bathroom in a Summer Cabin. We have furnished a separate television lounge in Claiborne Hall, and have renovated a suite in in Claiborne Hall to make it handicap-accessible.

We look forward to a great year in 2014, and hope to see you soon at DuBose, your home on the Mountain.

Respectfully submitted,

Brad Almquist, DMA
President, DuBose Board of Directors

Grace Point Camp and Retreat Center Report



The overnight bookings and gifts to Grace Point have continued to increase in 2013. The summer camp sessions also increased. In 2013 we had 175 campers. We expect the number of campers to continue growing over the next coming years.

Grace Point continues to offer Camp and Retreat services to the Diocese and other non-profit groups. The schedule for diocesan camps this year is:

Family Camp	Rising 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd graders with a parent.	May 29 th -June 1st
Youth Camp	Rising sophomores through rising college freshmen.	June 4 th -June 10th
Junior Camp	Rising 8 th and 9 th graders.	June 13 th -June 18th
Intermediate Camp	Rising 6 th and 7 th graders.	June 21 st -June 26th
Kid Camp	Rising 4 th and 5 th graders.	June 28 th -July 3rd
Work Camp	Rising 9 th graders through rising college freshmen.	July 6 th -July 9th
Summer Session	Rising 4 th through 12 th graders.	July 11 th -July 15th
<u>Outreach Camps</u>		
Jim Muir Kamp 4 kids		July 17 th -July 20th
Camp Billy Johnson		July 28 th -Aug. 2nd

Grace Point would like to encourage everyone in the diocese to take advantage of this beautiful resource. We are available to host parish gatherings, vestry retreats, youth weekends, as well as family reunions. Come and enjoy the chapel, lake, hiking trails, bonfires, and boats.

The Diocesan Day will be held here at Grace Point on Saturday May 3rd. There will be live music, games, barbeque. We encourage you to bring your family and friends and enjoy the day with others within the Diocese of East Tennessee.

These are exciting times for Grace Point and we look forward to what God has in store for us in these coming years. We will begin construction of our new art barn the end of February. This building will give space for kids to do art inside and out. This space also offers additional meeting space for groups to use throughout the year. For more information concerning camp sessions, our schedule, or dates available for workshops please go to our website at www.gracepointcamp.org.

Respectfully Submitted,
The Rev. Brad Jones, Executive Director & Michael Gray, Chairman of the Board

Jubilee Ministry Report

History

General Convention

Resolution Number: 1982-A080

Title: Implement "The Jubilee Ministry" to Meet Basic Human Needs

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, **That the 67th General Convention affirms that a ministry of joint discipleship in Christ with poor and oppressed people, wherever they are found, to meet basic human needs and to build a just society, is at the heart of the mission of the Church;** and be it further

Resolved, **That the Executive Council is directed to implement and co-ordinate with other programs of the Church the following functions of a priority ministry commitment by this Church to be called "The Jubilee Ministry".....**

Ministries are recognized by the National office in New York as centers who fulfill the resolution's mandate to be a **"ministry of joint discipleship in Christ with poor and oppressed people, wherever they are found, to meet basic human needs and to build a just society."**

Even though the General Convention established the Jubilee Ministries in 1982, there were no recognized Jubilee Centers in the Diocese of East Tennessee when Bishop vonRosenberg was elected in 1999. Bishop vonRosenberg asked the Rev. Wade Fry to serve as the new Diocesan Jubilee Officer (DJO) and to find some ministries to recognize. In 2002, five ministries were designated as Jubilee Centers. Then more followed until today we have 12 centers. Along the way, there have been a few who were designated and unfortunately for one reason or another, didn't continue in their ministries. The newest center was designated in 2009. Since the diocese is fairly large and spread out, in 2004, Ann Holt was asked to assist Rev. Fry in the Southeast area as Assistant DJO. After Rev. Fry's retirement from Jubilee in 2006, Ann was asked to become the DJO, and continues in that role today.

Bishop George Young continues to support the Jubilee ministry program.

Currently:

The Jubilee ministries in the Diocese are:

1. Mountain Community Parent Resource Center, Duff, TN , Executive Director, June Pyle
2. Episcopal Appalachian Ministries, Maryville, TN (multi-diocese), Executive Director, The Rev. Gordon Brewer
3. Food for the Multitude, Elizabethton, TN, Executive Director, Ben Buck
4. Mountain Women's Exchange, Jellico, TN, Secretary, Harry Chase
5. Volunteer Ministry Center, Knoxville, TN, Chief Executive Officer, Ginny Weatherstone
6. St. James Feeding Ministries, Knoxville, TN, The Rev. John Mark Wiggers
7. Cumberland Adult Reading Center, Crossville, TN, Executive Director, Meghan Beato
8. Bradley Initiative for Church & Community, Cleveland, TN, Executive Director, Brenda Hughes
9. Hosanna Community, Hixson, TN, Executive Director, Susan DiStefano
10. Chattanooga Community Kitchen, Chattanooga, TN, Executive Director, Charles Hughes
11. Metropolitan Ministries, Inc., Chattanooga, TN Executive Director, Rebecca Whelchel
12. St. Elmo Neighborhood Reading Center, Chattanooga, TN, Executive Director, Linda Cooper
13. **NEW!! Southside Abbey – Chattanooga, TN, Missioner, The Rev. Robert K. Leopold**

(To learn more about these centers including brief descriptions and contact information, please stop by the Jubilee table, go online at the Diocesan website, or contact Ann for a directory.)

Periodically, the centers are to be re-certified and re-commissioned. This process is a visit from the DJO, an updated application approved by the DJO and Bishop, plus affirmation by the New York office. The current statuses can be found on the directory available at the Jubilee table.

New

Southside Abbey was approved as a Jubilee center in December, and is scheduled to receive affirmation from the National Jubilee Executive Council in New York at the February '2014 meeting.

Future

The Rev. Hendree Harrison and his congregation at St. Paul's Athens provide some wonderful ministries to the poor and homeless.. They have a Jubilee application and are considering applying. The site visit was completed in 2013.

The Woodland Community Land Trust in Clairfield offers housing to low-income and elderly people, plus gardens. teachings in sustainable forestry and a living learning center. A visit and review was conducted in Nov. 2012. An application is under consideration.

Grants

The National office offers grants to support the services of the centers. These grants vary from offering to offering. The grants vary their focus e.g. volunteers, environment, working with neighborhood governments, literacy, etc. Over the years, several of our centers have benefited from applying and being awarded grants. For example, in 2010, three centers, the Cumberland Adult Reading Center received \$2500 for literacy programs; the Hosanna Community and Metropolitan Ministries, Inc. each received \$750 for a garden for fresh produce to help feed the residents and clients. In 2011, Cumberland Adult Reading Center and Hosanna Community each received \$750 for Health & Nutrition Programs. In 2012, Hosanna Community received \$750 for Health & Nutrition Programs, and Mountain Women's Exchange received \$1000 for a summer camp program. In 2013, Hosanna Community again received \$750 to install raised garden beds accessible to wheelchair bound residents, The Diocesan Jubilee program was awarded \$1,000 grant for regional meetings and seminars. While these grant dollars are not large, they are intended to be "seed" monies for the centers.

There were no grant applications for 2013.

Training

The National Jubilee officer was reassigned back to his home diocese in August' 2012, and a new officer was not appointed until late September'2013. There were no training sessions or national meetings for DJOs held in 2013.

Summary

Each center tells a unique, but wonderful story of fulfilling God's call to help those less fortunate. The directors, volunteers, and donors are committed to seeing these ministries survive to serve many, many needy people. All welcome visitors. Once you visit, you'll be inspired by their work.

Please stop by the Jubilee table at convention, pick up some literature, and let me know if you have suggestions of other ministries needing consideration.

Please contact me if I can answer questions (423-802-0485, annholt3@gmail.com).

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Holt, Diocesan Jubilee Officer

Report of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of East Tennessee – 2013

Each year it is the duty and the privilege of the Standing Committee to report to the Diocese.

We serve as a council of advice to the Bishop – advice which he may solicit or advice which we may offer on our own initiative. I am happy to report a most cordial and collegial relationship between George Young and us.

In addition we have several canonical duties, among which are:

- We must consider whether to consent to the ordination and consecration of any person elected Bishop anywhere in the Episcopal Church.
- We must meet with any postulant for Holy Orders in the Diocese and vote to affirm that each has met all requirements before the Bishop may declare that person is a Candidate for Holy Orders.
- We also must act to approve the ordination to the Diaconate and again to the Priesthood of any person seeking such ordination.
- Any proposed acquisition, sale or encumbrance of Church property in the Diocese has to have the approval of the Standing Before it may occur.

(There are a few other duties, similar to these; those interested may consult Jim Shearouse who has distilled the essentials from the Canons, or they may consult the soporific Canons themselves.)

Be aware that all real property of any Church or Church agency in the Diocese is held in trust for the Diocese. To any of you who are contemplating the acquisition, alienation or encumbrance of any Church property in the year 2014, please acquaint yourselves with the relevant Standing Committee Policies (available on the Diocesan Website) so that you and we may act expeditiously and timely.

With regard to this item, property matters are the only ones which must be reported to and acted upon by the convention so as to make each an official action of the Diocese. This year there were no such matters considered, so I will not need to bring a motion for action to this convention.

The Standing Committee schedules a monthly meeting, but we actually meet only in those months when there is business which requires our attention and action. We also have adopted this year a formal procedure (now posted on the Diocesan Website) for meeting electronically when urgency requires it. Consult the Diocesan Website for the monthly meeting day.

Another duty of the Standing Committee is to devise and accomplish a process by which the Diocese of East Tennessee may conduct a review of the ministry of the Diocese over the past year. Note well that the task is to ***review our ministry as Diocese***; it is ***not*** a job performance review of the Bishop. Many of you will receive invitations to meet in groups to discuss, guided by a set of questions, how we are doing in our ministry; those discussions will lead to a meeting in retreat of about 25-30 people to distill the findings from those wider conversations. The results and conclusions of that retreat will be published to the whole Diocesan family. It is my hope that we can publish the names of the groups and their members so that any in the Diocese who wish to have their thoughts and opinions heard may contact appropriate folks to whom to express those thoughts and opinions.

Let me here acknowledge the good work this year of the six members (three lay and three clerical) of the Standing Committee, and my admiration for and appreciation of them. They are Ms. Andrea Odle (who serves admirably as Clerk), Ms. Christopher Robinson, and Mr. Jim Shearouse – all from Chattanooga; and the Rev. Taylor Dinsmore (Knoxville) and the Rev. Joseph Minarik (Norris). I have been privileged to work with them and to serve as President this past year; I am also from Knoxville (and Rugby).

Respectfully submitted,

The Rev. Peter Keese, President
The Standing Committee
The Diocese of East Tennessee

Stewardship Commission

The Stewardship Commission is composed of both lay and clergy members. It normally meets six times a year. Several members have been trained as consultants and are available to work with any parish upon request. Requests for assistance can be made by contacting the diocesan stewardship officer Herb Berl at 865-803-5434 or stewardship@dioet.org.

The commission also annually provides a diocesan training event. In August, 2013, Nathan Dungan, the founder and President of Share Save Spend led our conference on Money Meaning and Faith. The conference was held at the Episcopal School in Knoxville who was excellent hosts. Each Parish or group that attended the event received a copy of Nathan's book "Money Sanity Solutions" and access to material on his website. This was one of the best attended conferences to date, 128 attendees including some youth.

In 2014, the commission will not hold a conference, but rather encourage all Parishes to send representatives to the TENS conference which will be held in Atlanta, GA.

Members of the commission are afforded opportunities to receive further training which they share within our diocese. In June, 2013, Herb Berl, John Hermes, Leigh Althaus and Patrick Emmanuel attended the annual TENS conference which was held in Salt Lake City, Utah. Everyone reported that the material and networking was outstanding as usual.

Resource material is provided to every parish electronically throughout the year. The TENS publication *Networking* and the TEC publication *The Steward's Well* may be forwarded to every parishioner's home. The Episcopal Church Foundation hosts webinars. To participate in the webinars please contact Herb Berl.

In 2013, our diocese became the largest source of stewardship materials in the United States when TENS transferred its library to our diocese. We have over 300 books, videos, and program materials available for parish use.

Ben and Ann Holt completed their two year tenure as Co-Chairs of the Stewardship Commission and we thank the commission for this opportunity. Skeet Jernigan and Dexter Cantelou have agreed to Co-Chair the commission in 2014.

Respectfully submitted,
Ben & Ann Holt, Co-Chairs

Section

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Financial Reports

Diocese of East Tennessee
Voluntary Commitments

Parish	City	2014			2015	
		Ask	Commitment	Contributions	Ask	Commitment
St Pauls Episcopal Church	Athens	31,210	31,210	31,210	31,082	31,082
St Columba Episcopal Church	Bristol	4,344	6,000	6,000	4,589	4,589
Christ Episcopal Church	Chattanooga	19,246	17,000	17,000	18,873	18,873
Grace Episcopal Church	Chattanooga	48,963	48,963	48,963	50,808	50,808
St Martins Episcopal Church	Chattanooga	35,496	21,000	21,000	35,397	21,000
St Pauls Episcopal Church	Chattanooga	179,939	179,939	179,939	170,611	170,611
St Peters Episcopal Church	Chattanooga	52,266	52,266	47,911	44,830	-
St Thaddeus Episcopal Church	Chattanooga	13,754	11,500	11,500	11,693	10,000
Thankful Memorial Church	Chattanooga	13,845	12,000	7,000	13,241	13,241
St Lukes Episcopal Church	Cleveland	57,340	57,340	57,340	57,312	57,312
St Marks Episcopal Church	Copperhill	5,348	5,348	5,348	5,831	5,831
St Raphaels Episcopal Church	Crossville	10,310	10,310	10,315	10,929	10,929
St Thomas	Elizabethton	3,472	3,600	3,300	3,364	3,600
Church of the Nativity	Fort Oglethorpe	16,609	16,609	16,609	16,063	16,063
Trinity Episcopal Church	Gatlinburg	10,790	11,000	11,500	10,944	11,000
St James Episcopal Church	Greeneville	21,052	21,052	24,784	21,727	21,727
St Andrews Episcopal Church	Harriman	8,150	5,500	5,500	10,920	6,050
St Alban Church	Hixson	12,307	12,307	12,307	13,447	13,450
St Johns Episcopal Church	Johnson City	48,356	48,356	48,356	48,029	48,029
St Christophers Episcopal Church	Kingsport	13,487	13,487	13,487	14,094	14,094
St Pauls Episcopal Church	Kingsport	48,745	42,000	42,000	51,209	38,500
St Timothy's Episcopal Church	Kingsport	6,333	1,560	1,560	5,898	1,320
Ascension	Knoxville	188,021	188,021	188,021	208,174	188,021
Good Samaritan	Knoxville	62,840	59,000	62,000	60,141	60,141
Good Shepherd Church	Knoxville	29,492	29,492	29,492	30,402	30,402
St Elizabeths Episcopal Church	Knoxville	42,999	42,999	42,999	44,051	33,000
St James Episcopal Church	Knoxville	49,784	44,784	46,062	41,673	41,673
St Johns Cathedral	Knoxville	221,082	205,283	205,283	235,278	205,877
St Lukes Episcopal Church	Knoxville	3,855	4,000	4,000	4,306	4,310
St Thomas Episcopal Church	Knoxville	6,468	6,468	6,468	5,543	5,543
St Clare Episcopal Church	Lafollette	-	-	-	1,796	1,800
Good Shepherd Church	Lookout Mountain	126,322	126,322	126,322	141,383	141,383
Resurrection	Loudon	20,514	20,514	20,514	22,850	22,850
St Andrews Episcopal Church	Maryville	48,906	36,203	36,203	40,748	40,748
All Saints Episcopal Church	Morristown	35,461	25,000	25,000	30,558	26,000
Annunciation	Newport	12,635	6,000	6,000	10,606	6,000
St Francis Episcopal Church	Norris	16,896	14,500	14,484	14,860	14,000
St Stephens Episcopal Church	Oak Ridge	54,506	50,000	50,000	59,238	50,000
St Francis of Assisi Church	Ooltewah	27,208	27,208	27,208	27,994	27,994
Christ Episcopal Church	Rugby	4,109	4,200	4,300	3,671	3,700
St Josephs Church	Sevierville	8,880	8,880	8,880	8,535	8,535
St John the Baptist	Sewanee	2,063	1,300	1,300	2,064	1,000
St. Pauls Episcopal Church	Seymour	2,364	2,364	2,364	2,314	2,314
St Timothy's Episcopal Church	Signal Mountain	83,206	83,206	83,206	76,520	76,520
Christ Episcopal Church	South Pittsburg	14,173	12,000	12,000	13,283	1,200
Total		1,723,144	1,626,090	1,625,034	1,736,879	1,561,120

Diocese of East Tennessee
Proposed Budget
2014

		2013	2013 Actual	2014
1	Voluntary Commitments	1,596,896	1,596,735	1,603,858
2	E.E.C. Support (Episcopate)	100,000	100,493	100,000
3	Miscellaneous	23,000	35,970	32,000
4	Trust Fund Income (Seminarlans)	9,000	9,045	9,000
5	Mission Growth Fund(Southside Abbey)	73,717	73,717	75,580
6	Total Funds Available	1,802,613	1,815,959	1,820,438
7				
8	DIOCESAN MINISTRY			
9	Bishop & Council	2,500	695	750
10	Outreach Ministries	22,500	22,547	36,130
11	Stewardship	5,450	5,500	6,500
12	Christian Spiritual Formation	4,300	2,975	5,300
13	Grace Point Camp & Retreat Center	66,546	68,409	82,685
14	Episcopal Institutions	2,500	1,000	2,000
15	Music and Liturgy	500	100	450
16	Office of Communications	82,252	77,758	83,495
17	Standing Committee	3,500	2,525	2,500
18	Total DIOCESAN MINISTRY	190,048	181,508	219,810
19	MISSION WITHIN THE DIOCESE			
20	Support for Ministry and Congregational Developme	88,139	82,101	80,963
21	Support for Camp Scholarships	7,000	7,000	7,000
22	Support for Congregations	115,517	109,129	109,580
23	Support for Campus	118,491	120,911	122,631
24	Support for Youth	64,872	64,872	63,305
25	Support for Young Adults	5,000	111	1,000
26	Total MISSION WITHIN THE DIOCESE	399,019	384,124	384,479
27	MISSION BEYOND THE DIOCESE			
28	Millenium Development Goals	12,618	12,618	12,743
29	Companion Diocese	1,250	0	1,250
30	General Church Objective	296,812	296,812	307,899
31	General Convention Deputies	9,000	9,000	8,000
32	ECW	1,000	1,000	1,000
33	General Convention Bishop	3,000	3,000	2,000
34	Lambeth Conference	2,000	2,000	1,000
35	Synod Assessment	5,166	5,166	5,184
36	Synod Deputies	2,000	2,000	2,000
37	Total MISSION BEYOND THE DIOCESE	332,846	331,596	341,076
38	CLERGY SUPPORT			
39	Clergy Deployment	9,500	10,468	9,500
40	Clergy Professional Development	11,000	5,200	10,000
41	Commission on Ministry	165,000	150,588	163,740
42	Medical Insurance - Retired	71,820	69,140	69,420
43	Sabbatical Scholarship	1,000	1,000	1,000
44	Support of Clergy & Family	4,000	4,681	4,000
45	Support for Retired Clergy	500	406	500
46	Total CLERGY SUPPORT	262,820	241,483	258,160
47	SUPPORT FOR THE EPISCOPATE			
48	Bishop's Ministry	130,939	130,939	132,903
49	Support for the Bishop's Ministry	70,857	70,174	68,967
50	Office Salaries	300,923	299,464	304,543
51	Staff Continuing Education	4,000	4,096	5,000
52	Total SUPPORT FOR THE EPISCOPATE	506,719	504,673	511,413
53	FIXED COSTS FOR MINISTRY			
54	Accounting & Audit	6,000	6,000	6,000
55	Convention	17,000	19,077	17,000
56	Diocesan House Expenses	60,000	60,000	60,000
57	General Insurance	20,000	15,694	20,000
58	Maintenance Reserve	4,161	4,161	0
59	Property & Taxes	2,000	2,372	2,500
60	Total FIXED COSTS FOR MINISTRY	109,161	107,304	105,500
61	CONTENGENCIES	2,000	2,000	
61	Total Funds Spent	1,802,613	1,752,687	1,820,438
			63,272	0

Section

7

Parochial Reports

Diocese of East Tennessee

Vital Statistics of Congregations and Missions

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2013

— BAPTISMS —

City	Congregation	Active Members	Communicants in Good Standing	Others Active	Average Sunday Attendance	Sunday Eucharists	16 yrs and Older	Under 16 Years	Confirmed or Received
Athens	St Pauls Episcopal Church	376	360	35	128	104	2	6	14
Battle Creek	St John the Baptist (2012)	38	38	0	17	0	0	0	0
Bristol	St Columbas Episcopal Church	121	30	0	20	52	0	0	0
Chattanooga	Christ Episcopal Church	174	103	7	68	101	0	2	0
Chattanooga	Grace Episcopal Church	486	486	0	165	97	1	3	16
Chattanooga	St Martin of Tours Epis Church	549	238	25	135	104	5	4	7
Chattanooga	St Pauls Episcopal Church	1,959	1,251	450	348	137	0	18	32
Chattanooga	St Peters Episcopal Church	467	452	12	170	173	1	6	6
Chattanooga	St Thaddaeus Episcopal Church	189	127	1	47	51	0	0	2
Chattanooga	Thankful Memorial Church	115	75	2	57	53	1	2	3
Cleveland	St Lukes Episcopal Church	543	543	79	170	137	1	11	10
Copperhill	St Marks Episcopal Church	41	37	7	30	51	0	1	3
Crossville	St Raphaels Episcopal Church	204	185	20	58	54	0	0	6
Elizabethton	St Thomas Church	59	55	7	40	50	0	1	0
Fort Oglethorpe	Episcopal Church of the Nativity	132	130	17	71	103	1	0	0
Gatlinburg	Trinity Episcopal Church	96	84	14	50	104	0	1	0
Greeneville	St James Episcopal Church	223	165	6	95	107	1	5	2
Harriman	St Andrews Episcopal Church	79			0				0
Hixson	St Albans Episcopal Church	106	106	0	68	104	2	7	15
Jefferson City	St Barnabas Episcopal-Lutheran Ch (2011)	28	28	0	20	52	0	0	0
Johnson City	St Johns Episcopal Church	416	416	95	151	103	2	7	7
Jonesborough	St Mary the Virgin Episcopal Church (2010)	19	19	0	12	0	0	0	0
Kingsport	St Christophers Episcopal Church	126	126	14	63	86	0	1	0
Kingsport	St Pauls Episcopal Church	302	197	16	120	91	0	1	0
Kingsport	St Timothys Episcopal Church	108	30	0	30	53	0	0	3
Knoxville	Church of the Good Samaritan	629	424	43	222	105	4	9	7
Knoxville	Church of the Good Shepherd	389	272	0	130	104	0	6	0
Knoxville	Episcopal Church of the Ascension	1,299	1,099	67	447	109	2	13	25
Knoxville	St Elizabeths Episcopal Church	327	327	21	139	105	0	3	10
Knoxville	St James Episcopal Church	512	433	162	170	106	0	12	5
Knoxville	St Johns Episcopal Cathedral	1,090	800	0	406	112	0	11	17
Knoxville	St Lukes Episcopal Church	90	71	10	28	53	2	0	0
Knoxville	St Thomas Episcopal Church	100	104	10	35	90	0	1	2
La Follette	St Clare Episcopal Church	18			0				0

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— BAPTISMS —

City	Congregation	Active Members	Communicants in Good Standing	Others Active	Average Sunday Attendance	Sunday Eucharists	16 yrs and Older	Under 16 Years	Confirmed or Received
Lookout Mountain	Church of the Good Shepherd	927	833	42	274	156	0	8	6
Loudon	Episcopal Church of the Resurrection	161	141	13	86	100	1	1	4
Maryville	St Andrews Church	388	357	26	134	104	0	0	8
Morristown	All Saints Episcopal Church	436	165	65	122	102	0	2	9
Newport	Church of the Annunciation	87	60	10	43	53	0	0	2
Norris	St Francis Episcopal Church	254	212	29	73	116	0	1	0
Oak Ridge	St Stephens Episcopal Church	494	404	36	167	126	3	9	20
Ooltewah	St Francis of Assisi Epis Church	128	119	35	97	146	2	0	8
Rugby	Christ Church	48	48	0	33	52	0	0	0
Sevierville	St Joseph the Carpenter	142	139	4	67	100	0	3	0
Seymour	St Pauls Episcopal Church	72	68	9	41	52	0	1	0
Signal Mountain	St Timothys Episcopal Church	752	752	0	222	113	0	3	28
South Pittsburg	Christ Episcopal Church	134	134	13	67	104	1	1	5
Total		15,433	12,243	1,402	5,136	4,075	32	160	282

Diocese of East Tennessee

Financial Statistics of Congregations and Missions

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City	Congregation	REVENUE			EXPENSE			
		Plate & Pledge Income	Operating Revenue	Total Revenue	Operating Expense	To the Diocese	Outreach & Development	Total
Athens	St Pauls Episcopal Church	283,225	284,014	328,268	288,954	29,756	24,584	321,356
Battle Creek	St John the Baptist (2012)	10,604	20,636	20,636	8,006	1,300	0	8,356
Bristol	St Columbas Episcopal Church	40,134	51,893	59,012	56,231	6,000	21,240	66,368
Chattanooga	Christ Episcopal Church	110,811	182,277	182,857	214,998	17,546	11,693	222,910
Chattanooga	Grace Episcopal Church	362,750	448,399	451,197	448,268	46,972	2,938	452,938
Chattanooga	St Martin of Tours Epis Church	314,934	319,974	421,122	314,806	20,000	85,056	393,616
Chattanooga	St Pauls Episcopal Church	908,593	1,446,759	2,216,931	1,603,011	170,943	532,858	2,057,433
Chattanooga	St Peters Episcopal Church	386,003	398,584	482,544	408,903	54,460	131,076	468,914
Chattanooga	St Thaddeaus Episcopal Church	116,930	116,930	129,030	121,917	12,158	9,400	130,417
Chattanooga	Thankful Memorial Church	130,721	132,411	132,511	120,401	10,921	14,839	133,768
Cleveland	St Lukes Episcopal Church	493,675	502,599	526,819	468,996	54,577	6,300	494,220
Copperhill	St Marks Episcopal Church	57,343	64,308	70,133	62,358	5,282	29,975	90,832
Crossville	St Raphaels Episcopal Church	108,927	109,292	134,350	109,292	10,378	35,196	154,866
Elizabethton	St Thomas Church	33,644	41,144	46,144	46,049	4,800	4,900	50,549
Fort Oglethorpe	Episcopal Church of the Nativity	96,325	158,857	173,804	158,865	16,957	14,466	175,406
Gatlinburg	Trinity Episcopal Church	79,949	109,442	125,334	114,456	12,450	10,638	125,094
Greeneville	St James Episcopal Church	191,831	206,060	274,923	192,011	19,103	31,372	212,802
Harriman	St Andrews Episcopal Church	100,565	109,203	109,203	62,710	5,000	16,106	77,841
Hixson	St Albans Episcopal Church	133,722	134,472	150,217	134,760	11,311	2,956	135,808
Jefferson City	St Barnabas Episcopal-Lutheran Ch (2011)	23,680	23,680	32,430	22,902	0	0	23,402
Johnson City	St Johns Episcopal Church	425,241	425,241	630,112	436,216	47,773	191,093	641,087
Jonesborough	St Mary the Virgin Episcopal Church (2010)	13,000	13,000	13,000	12,000	0	0	12,000
Kingsport	St Christophers Episcopal Church	137,657	140,940	151,972	140,590	14,172	8,831	150,622
Kingsport	St Pauls Episcopal Church	451,075	451,742	701,376	476,671	42,000	308,090	760,183
Kingsport	St Timothys Episcopal Church	47,527	58,977	62,227	55,001	4,562	8,026	62,414
Knoxville	Church of the Good Samaritan	502,551	526,172	536,731	534,205	56,573	48,485	550,815
Knoxville	Church of the Good Shepherd	274,077	278,347	473,360	278,887	27,177	186,732	466,429
Knoxville	Episcopal Church of the Ascension	1,484,537	1,778,734	1,978,668	1,666,598	171,074	275,743	1,936,612

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City	Congregation	REVENUE			EXPENSE			Total
		Plate & Pledge Income	Operating Revenue	Total Revenue	Operating Expense	To the Diocese	Outreach & Development	
Knoxville	St Elizabeths Episcopal Church	392,091	392,091	394,091	382,667	41,897	30,883	402,370
Knoxville	St James Episcopal Church	362,278	372,278	372,278	440,043	48,038	48,851	486,849
Knoxville	St Johns Episcopal Cathedral	1,823,232	2,003,084	2,253,369	2,017,045	205,283	267,625	2,305,693
Knoxville	St Lukes Episcopal Church	33,485	52,561	53,142	48,740	5,432	12,674	60,713
Knoxville	St Thomas Episcopal Church	54,460	55,432	60,220	42,200	6,600	0	47,775
La Follette	St Clare Episcopal Church		0	0	0		0	0
Lookout Mountain	Church of the Good Shepherd	1,201,157	1,203,195	1,273,016	1,032,093	136,025	218,636	1,200,986
Loudon	Episcopal Church of the Resurrection	205,947	215,416	268,997	229,618	20,108	15,727	247,345
Maryville	St Andrews Church	349,065	364,567	381,149	353,953	38,000	16,388	373,782
Morristown	All Saints Episcopal Church	260,079	279,649	376,731	291,834	25,000	40,141	330,902
Newport	Church of the Annunciation	90,910	106,060	112,753	117,404	6,000	9,955	127,614
Norris	St Francis Episcopal Church	139,902	148,598	175,135	181,947	14,424	10,042	182,504
Oak Ridge	St Stephens Episcopal Church	493,374	518,650	648,713	501,152	45,000	94,998	614,591
Ooltewah	St Francis of Assisi Epis Church	220,083	258,287	258,287	255,718	22,500	2,100	255,718
Rugby	Christ Church	35,768	36,709	36,709	33,329	4,436	910	34,169
Sevierville	St Joseph the Carpenter	75,154	85,354	96,365	76,530	8,124	3,340	85,982
Seymour	St Pauls Episcopal Church	23,113	23,137	57,738	23,067	2,254	19,657	44,076
Signal Mountain	St Timothys Episcopal Church	648,007	680,447	691,873	661,044	80,350	42,952	680,457
South Pittsburg	Christ Episcopal Church	122,897	132,834	170,815	138,851	12,888	0	143,816
Total		13,851,033	15,462,436	18,296,292	15,385,297	1,595,604	2,847,472	18,002,400

Section

8

*I. Rules of Order and Order of Business
of the Thirtieth Annual Convention of the
Diocese of East Tennessee*

II. Resolutions

The 30th 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 7, 2014

8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Registration (Sundries Area, Upper Lobby)

Volunteer Check-in (Sundries Area, Upper Lobby)

8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Exhibits/Photography Exhibition

Voting for People’s Choice Award for Photography Competition

Please make your selections before 5 pm today.

10:00 a.m. Opening of Convention (Procession with banners)

A. Call to Order (Bishop George Dibrell Young III)

1. Opening Collect – St. Mark’s Day
2. Welcome from the Honorable Burchett, Mayor of Knox County
3. Introduction of Convention theme and speaker,

The Rev. Dr. Tom Boomershine

“Learning, knowing and telling the Gospel by heart” (Mark 1:1-15)

B. Report of the Committee on Credentials – Mr. Chris Cone

Number registered:

Clergy _____ Lay Delegates _____ Total _____

Alternates _____ Others _____ Grand Total _____

C. Elections - p. 16

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 Order and the Order of Business**
- F. Resolutions of Invitation**
- G. Introduction of New Clergy, Theological Students, Postulants, and Candidates - p. 25**
- H. Introduction of Convention Planning Committee Chairs**
- I. Presentation of Special Guests**
- J. Appointments by the Bishop**
1. Convention Committees (see Sect. 2.01) - p. 10
 2. Other Committees (see Sect. 2.02,)
- K. Elections to Boards and Commissions**
1. Commission on Ministry – p. 17
 3. Grace Point Board of Managers – p. 18
 4. Any other elected officers, trustees and committees – p. 19-20

10:45 a.m. Bishop’s Address

11:30 a.m. Workshop #1 (Convention Hall)

Collect for the Easter Vigil

“Jesus Teaches the Church: Mark 16:1-8” – Tom Boomershine

Collect for Proper 19

“Jesus Feeds the 4000: Mark 8:1-10” – Jonathan Perry, St. Thomas, Elizabethton

12:30 p.m. Recess for Lunch (Present meal tickets for box lunches; Note: there are special tickets for vegetarian meals and other special dietary needs.)

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

A. Report of the Committee on Credentials

Number registered:

Clergy _____ Lay Delegates _____ Total _____

Alternates _____ Others _____ Grand Total _____

B. Treasurer’s Report – Ms. Merry Keyser

C. Reports of the Officers, Boards, Commissions, Committees

1. Metropolitan Ministries – Ms. Rebecca Whelchel
2. Standing Committee – The Rev. Peter Keese
3. Commission on Ministry – The Rev. Hendree Harrison
4. Constitution and Canons Committee – The Hon. Marie Williams
5. Ministry and Congregational Development – Mr. Rick Govan
6. Southside Abbey – The Rev. Bob Leopold
7. Introduction of new Diocesan Staff

8. Other introductions – The Rev. John Ander Runkle, St. Mary’s, Sewanee

2:00 p.m. Break

2:15 p.m. -4:00 p.m. Workshops

2:15-3:00 p.m.

“Telling the Passion Narrative during Holy Week” – Tom Boomershine
(Convention Hall)

“Contemporary Music and Worship” – The Rev. John Tirro, Mr. Zack Nyein
(Tennessee Ballroom)

3:15 – 4:00 p.m.

“Telling Matthew’s Resurrection Story on Easter” – Tom Boomershine
(Convention Hall)

“Proclaiming the Gospel Through Social Media” – Vikki Myers, Renee Haralson
(Tennessee Ballroom)

4:15 p.m. Convention Business Resumes

E. Report of the Committee on General Resolutions and last call for resolutions –
The Rev. Dr. Hal Hutchison

F. Report of the Elections Committee and last call for nominations – Mr. Chris
Cone

5:00 p.m. Prayer and Recess for hearings.

Note: Please take your convention booklets and belongings with you so that tables may be set for dinner.

Please plan to check out of your hotel room and place your bags in your car before beginning tomorrow’s events, if possible. The hotel’s check-out time is at 12 noon.

5:00 p.m.

Hearings

Budget Hearing (Parlor 2)

Constitution and Canons (Parlor 4)

General Resolutions (Parlor 6)

Merry Keyser, Chair

The Hon. Marie Williams, Chair

The Rev. Kim Hobby, Chair

6:00 p.m.

Social Hour (Tennessee Ballroom)

7:00 p.m.

Banquet (Convention Hall)

Collect for Proper 17

“A Dinner Parable at Dinner: Luke 14:1-11, 12-24)”

The Rev. Michelle Warriner-Bolt, Knoxville

Dinner together –

Please place your meal tickets on the table in front of you.

7:15 p.m.

Program begins

Recognition of winner of photography competition and other special recognitions

The ETSU Bluegrass Pride Band

Music and Storytelling with Tom Boomershine and Friends

9:00 p.m.

Blessing and Adjourn – *The Decorations Committee invites you to take one of the centerpieces home.*

9:10 p.m.

Iona Evening Worship – led by Diocesan Youth Delegates (Parlor 2)

10:00 p.m.

Young Adult Gathering (Icon Lounge, Sunsphere)

Morning Session – Saturday, February 8, 2014

7:30 a.m.

Registration opens (Sundries Area, Upper Lobby)

Standing Committee/Commission on Ministry Breakfast

All Day

Exhibits/Photography Exhibition

8:00 a.m.

Breakfast together –

A plated breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m.

8:45 a.m. Convention reconvenes

A. Call to Order

1. Opening Collect – Collect for Maundy Thursday

2. “*Serve One Another: John 13:1-8, 34-25*” – The Rev. Hal Hutchison,
St. John, Johnson City

B. Report of the Committee on Credentials

Number registered:

Clergy _____ Lay Delegates _____ Total _____

Alternates _____ Others _____ Grand Total _____

C. Elections

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

D. Presentation and adoption of 2014 Budget – Ms. Merry Keyser

E. Report of the Committee on General Resolutions –

The Rev. Robert Hartmans

- F. Resolution of Appreciation - The Rt. Rev. George Dibrell Young III**
- G. Reports of Officers, Boards, Commissions, Committees (cont.)**
 - 1. Constitutions and Canons Committee – The Hon. Marie Williams
 - 2. Grace Point – The Rev. Brad Jones
 - 3. Youth Ministry – Alex Haralson
- H. Elections Report and additional ballots, if needed**
- I. Report on Memorials, Resolutions of Greeting and Appreciation –**
The Rev. Robert Hartmans, Ms. Rebecca Brewer
- J. Resolution of Invitation to Host 2015 Convention – The Very Rev. John Ross,**
Dean of St. John’s Cathedral

Please return your name tags in the baskets provided as you exit the Convention area. Please return your evaluations in the baskets provided.

If you are planning on driving to the Convention Eucharist, please plan to park in the lot on the street next to the Cathedral. Let the attendant know that you are part of the Diocese of East Tennessee and he or she will provide a ticket that will allow you to exit without paying.

- 11:30 a.m. Procession to St. John’s Cathedral**
- 12:00 Noon Closing Eucharist**
- 1:00 p.m. Blessing, Dismissal and Adjournment**
“Send us out to proclaim the Good News of the Gospel”

II. CONVENTION COMMITTEES

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

On Credentials

Mr. Chris Cone, Chair	Mr. Bruce Ragon
Mr. Phillip Harris	The Rev. Janice Robbins
The Rev. Joe Minarik	The Rev. Thom Rasnick

On Elections (Ballots/Tellers)

Dr. Tom Ladd, Chair	Mr. Jon Clark
Mr. Bill Fryar	Ms. Mimi Hankal
Mr. Shane Matherly	Ms. Karen Mills
Ms. Andrea Odle	Ms. Monty Ross
Mr. Al Skyberg	

On General Resolutions

The Rev. Kim Hobby, Chair	The Rev. Dr. Hal Hutchison
Dr. Tom Ladd	

• **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)

The Hon. Marie Williams, Chair		
<u>Term expires 2015</u>	<u>Term expires 2016</u>	<u>Term expires 2017</u>
The Rev. Dr. Craig Kallio	Mr. Edward Boehm, Esq.	The Rev. Susan Butler
The Hon. Neil Thomas	The Rev. Robert Childers	The Rev. Gary Callahan

The Church Pension Fund Committee (appointed annually)

Mr. Tom Hale	The Rev. Ann Markle
Mr. Ron Moore	Mr. Kirby Purjet

• **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 3:45 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 is 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 from the floor shall include the information required for written nominations with the exception of 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.

Resolution # 2014-01

Evidence of Election or Appointment of Lay Delegates and Alternates

PROPOSED BY:

The Committee on Constitution and Canons

REPRESENTATIVE AT CONVENTION:

L. Marie Williams

RESOLVED, That Title I, Canon 3, Section 8(d) of the Canons of the Diocese of East Tennessee be amended as set forth below:

CANON 3: Meetings of Convention

Sec. 8(d). The evidence of election or appointment of Lay Delegates and Alternates shall be a written submission from the Clerk, which shall set forth, in the order of their election, the names of all Lay Delegates and Alternates and the fact of their qualification to serve. The submission, which may be sent by mail, hand delivery or electronically, shall be sent to the Secretary of the Convention not less than six weeks prior to the date set for the annual meeting of the Convention, and shall be prima facie evidence of the right of the persons named therein to seats in the Convention. If the submission is sent electronically, the Rector of such parish, or in the event of the unavailability of the Rector, the Senior Warden, shall confirm electronically that the submission is accurate.

EXPLANATION OF RESOLUTION:

Unfortunately, there have been challenges in receiving the evidence of election or appointment of the Lay Delegates and Alternates, particularly in a certified manner. This amendment is intended to simplify the procedure for the parishes in conveying this information without in any way minimizing the importance of the receipt of accurate information in a timely manner by the Secretary of the Convention.

Resolution # 2014-02

Amendment of Nomenclature for "Priests Under Special Circumstances"

PROPOSED BY:

The Committee on Constitution and Canons

REPRESENTATIVE AT CONVENTION:

L. Marie Williams

RESOLVED, That Title V, Canon 1, Section 6(b) of the Canons of the Diocese of East Tennessee be amended as set forth below:

CANON 1: Calling to Cure of Souls

Sec. 6(b)

. Under special circumstances as determined by the Bishop, the Bishop may offer a Parish the appointment of Priest-in-Charge. The following standards are established for the relationship among the Parish, the Priest in Charge, and the Bishop:

- (1) The Bishop shall appoint the Priest-in-Charge with the consent of the Vestry.
- (2) The Parish, Priest-in-Charge, and the Bishop shall enter into a letter of agreement, which shall follow the guidelines for such agreements and be reviewed by the Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor.
- (3) The length of the relationship shall be a maximum of three years. The length may be shortened at the discretion of the Bishop.
- (4) An evaluation of the relationship shall be conducted by the office of the Bishop at six-month intervals.
- (5) The Parish shall engage in a self-study during the relationship and shall begin or continue a search for a Rector pursuant to diocesan guidelines when authorized by the Bishop. After consultation with and the approval of the Bishop, the Priest-in-Charge may be called as Rector.

EXPLANATION OF RESOLUTION:

The Resolution changes only the title of the Priest-in-Charge from "Priest-in-Charge Under Special Circumstances" to "Priest-in-Charge." The special circumstances are defined in the Canon itself. There may be unintended perceptions of the status of the Parish perpetuated by the phrase "under Special Circumstances." The National Canons do not use the phrase "under Special Circumstances" and simply use the "Priest-in-Charge." There is no change in the process; only in the title.

Resolution # 2014-03

To Ratify Bishop and Council Actions Regarding 2013 Budget

PROPOSED BY: Bishop and Council

REPRESENTATIVE AT CONVENTION: Ms. Merry Keyser

WHEREAS, by its action, the Twenty-Ninth Annual Convention of The Diocese of East Tennessee convened in Knoxville on Friday, February 9, 2013, 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 2013 Convention was \$1,802, 613, and

WHEREAS, the actual budgeted disbursements were \$1,752,689; 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 2013 budget as approved by their various actions during 2013, be and are hereby ratified by this Convention as authorized and approved.

Resolution # 2014-04

Evidence of Election or Appointment of Lay Delegates and Alternates

PROPOSED BY: The Committee on Constitution and Canons

REPRESENTATIVE AT CONVENTION: L. Marie Williams

RESOLVED, That Title I, Canon 3, Section 8(d) of the Canons of the Diocese of East Tennessee be amended as set forth below:

CANON 3: Meetings of Convention

Sec. 8(d). The evidence of election or appointment of Lay Delegates and Alternates shall be a written submission from the Clerk, which shall set forth, in the order of their election, the names of all Lay Delegates and Alternates and the fact of their qualification to serve. The submission, which may be sent by mail, hand delivery or electronically, shall be sent to the Secretary of the Convention not less than six weeks prior to the date set for the annual meeting of the Convention, and shall be prima facie evidence of the right of the persons named therein to seats in the Convention. If the submission is sent electronically, the Rector of such parish, or in the event of the unavailability of the Rector, the Senior Warden, shall confirm electronically that the submission is accurate.

EXPLANATION OF RESOLUTION:

Unfortunately, there have been challenges in receiving the evidence of election or appointment of the Lay Delegates and Alternates, particularly in a certified manner. This amendment is intended to simplify the procedure for the parishes in conveying this information without in any way minimizing the importance of the receipt of accurate information in a timely manner by the Secretary of the Convention.

Resolution # 2014-05

Amendment of Nomenclature for "Priests Under Special Circumstances"

PROPOSED BY: The Committee on Constitution and Canons

REPRESENTATIVE AT CONVENTION: L. Marie Williams

RESOLVED, That Title V, Canon 1, Section 6(b) of the Canons of the Diocese of East Tennessee be amended as set forth below:

CANON 1: Calling to Cure of Souls

Sec. 6(b)

. Under special circumstances as determined by the Bishop, the Bishop may offer a Parish the appointment of Priest-in-Charge. The following standards are established for the relationship among the Parish, the Priest in Charge, and the Bishop:

- (1) The Bishop shall appoint the Priest-in-Charge with the consent of the Vestry.
- (2) The Parish, Priest-in-Charge, and the Bishop shall enter into a letter of agreement, which shall follow the guidelines for such agreements and be reviewed by the Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor.
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- (5) The Parish shall engage in a self-study during the relationship and shall begin or continue a search for a Rector pursuant to diocesan guidelines when authorized by the Bishop. After consultation with and the approval of the Bishop, the Priest-in-Charge may be called as Rector.

EXPLANATION OF RESOLUTION:

The Resolution changes only the title of the Priest-in-Charge from "Priest-in-Charge Under Special Circumstances" to "Priest-in-Charge." The special circumstances are defined in the Canon itself. There may be unintended perceptions of the status of the Parish perpetuated by the phrase "under Special Circumstances." The National Canons do not use the phrase "under Special Circumstances" and simply use the "Priest-in-Charge." There is no change in the process; only in the title.

Resolution # 2014-06

**Creation of the Mary Berl Camper Scholarship Fund for
Grace Point Camp and Conference Center**

PROPOSED BY: The Rt. Reverend George Dibrell Young, III and the Diocesan Staff

REPRESENTATIVE AT CONVENTION:

The Rt. Reverend George Dibrell Young, III

Whereas Mary Berl has served the Diocese of East Tennessee faithfully for 18 years,

And, whereas she began working in the Cathedral Bookshop, then managed the Bookshop, then moved into the role of Diocesan Administrator,

And, whereas she has worked closely and generously with parish treasurers, financial administrators, and whoever else has called upon her for help,

And, whereas her commitment to, and energy and work toward the ministry of Grace Point Camp and Retreat Center has been tireless and fruitful,

And, whereas Mary has overseen the care and nurture of Diocesan House, as well as other property under our care,

And, whereas she has overseen payroll, insurance billing, budget making and carrying out, financial reporting and work with the Bishop and Council, as well as all things financial,

And, whereas she has been a good and faithful steward of the resources of the Diocese, as well as parishes, worshipping communities, and all sorts of ministries in Jesus' name,

Therefore be it resolved that this 30th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of East Tennessee does now give thanks to God for Mary Berl, upon her retirement, for her service and ministry,

And, does now create the Mary Berl Camper Scholarship to benefit children and youth attending summer camp at Grace Point.

And be it further resolved that members of this convention, as well as parishes and members of the Diocese of East Tennessee are hereby invited to make generous contributions to this fund.

Resolution # 2014-07

Resolution of Appreciation for State Actions

PROPOSED BY: The Rev. Charles Fels, Church of the Good Shepherd, Knoxville and The Rev. A.D. Lewis. Retired.

REPRESENTATIVE AT CONVENTION:

The Rev. Charles Fels and The Rev. A.D. Lewis.

RESOLVED, that this 30th Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Tennessee commend Governor Bill Haslam, the legislators of the State of Tennessee, the Departments of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, Correction, Safety and Homeland Security for taking the first important steps toward reforming our prison system and our jails. The opening of the Wartburg Recovery Court offering 100-bed residential, 24-hour, nine-month substance abuse treatment is a much appreciated example for all our counties and cities.

Resolution # 2014-08

Becoming a Climate 1000 Partner

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Roberta Boone, St. James Episcopal Peace Fellowship, Knoxville, TN

REPRESENTATIVE AT CONVENTION:

Ms. Roberta Boone

RESOLVED, that the Episcopal Diocese of East Tennessee become a Climate 1000 Partner. By doing so we add our support to the two policies Climate 1000 is proposing.

- That the City of Knoxville lend its support for climate protection so that we might avoid even more extreme weather
- That the City of Knoxville make home weatherization affordable for our neighbors with limited resources and foster job development within the affected neighborhoods.

EXPLANTION OF THE RESOLUTION: Tennessee Interfaith Power and Light (TIPL) has asked for our participation as a partner in Climate 1000 along with SEED (Socially Equal Energy Efficient Development) and the local branch of the Sierra Club. The original concept for IPL, the national organization is developed from the model built by Episcopal Power and Light in California. IPL is a faith-based organization and stipulates that every major spiritual tradition calls on us to be faithful stewards of creation. IPL now has chapters in most of the 50 states.

Climate change causes suffering especially among the poor and disadvantaged. Climate 1000 is currently working with the Knoxville/IBM Challenge Advisory Council to coordinate a massive weatherization program among the poorer citizens.

Appendix I

I. Committees, offices and appointees – 2014 Convention

Appendix II

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- I. Biography: The Rev. Dr. Thomas E. Boomershine*
 - II. Photography contest winners and Juror's comments*
 - III. Proclamations for new Diocesan Staff*

The Rev. Dr. Thomas E. Boomershine

The Rev. Dr. Thomas E. Boomershine is an internationally known speaker and author in the interpretation of the narratives of the Bible as oral story in antiquity and in the communication systems of the digital age. He served as the G. Ernest Thomas Distinguished Professor of Christianity and Communication at United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio from 2004 to 2006 where he also served as Professor of New Testament from 1979 to 2000. He now writes and produces multimedia resources for the interpretation of the Bible in digital culture.

From 2000 to 2004, Tom served as Dean of the Lumicon Institute and Vice-President of Lumicon Digital Productions, a division of UMR Communications in Dallas, Texas. At Lumicon he led a team that established the first comprehensive program for the education of clergy and laity in digital culture ministry and produced an integrated series of oral, written, and digital resources for the full three-year cycle of the lectionary.

Tom founded the Network of Biblical Storytellers in 1977 and has lectured and led biblical storytelling workshops from around the world. He recently spent a month in Australia making presentations on digital biblical storytelling and resourcing the NOBS community there. A leader in the rediscovery of the Gospel as story, his dissertation at Union Theological Seminary, *Mark the Storyteller*, was the first systematic study of the gospel narratives as story. As part of his research and ministry, he began telling the Gospel of Mark in the early 70s. Tom's book, *Story Journey: An Invitation to the Gospel as Storytelling*, is published by Abingdon press. In 2004, he organized the NOBS Seminar, a group of biblical scholars and biblical storytellers, that is exploring the implications of biblical storytelling for biblical scholarship.

Tom served as Chief Consultant for Multimedia Translations for the American Bible Society (1989-1993). He was an Executive Producer for the award winning ABS video/multimedia program "Out of the Tombs", an audiovisual translation of Mark's story of the Gerasene demoniac. Tom has been on-camera talent for three segments of the "Disciple" Bible study series of the United Methodist Board of Discipleship.

Tom is a member of the Society of Biblical Literature and was founder (1982) and past chair (1982-1989) of the Bible in Ancient and Modern Media group. He has received major grants from the Lilly Endowment for research in the media history of Christianity and has participated in several international research conferences on Christianity and communications. He has published a range of articles on the Gospels as story, the intersection of biblical studies and communication, the Church in digital culture, and digital biblical hermeneutics.

Tom lived in the heart of the civil rights struggle of the 1960's while serving inner city multi-ethnic parishes in New York and Chicago. During his tenure as Professor of Biblical Studies at New York Theological Seminary (1972-1979), he had an integral role in the development of the Certificate, STM, and DMin programs for African-American, Hispanic, and Korean pastors in the New York metropolitan area.

Tom is an ordained elder in the West Ohio Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. He is a classical pianist, a church organist since age 12, loves to play golf and tennis, and to work and hike with his wife, Amelia.

Our juror for our Third Annual Photography Exhibit and Competition was Sarah Adams.

Sarah is a freelance photographer who graduated from Maryland Institute College of Art in 2013, where she received a BFA in Photography. Her photographic interests include landscape and photo collage.

Sarah said she was thrilled to be a juror this year and thanked everyone for sharing their own world vision through photography. Sarah's work is currently featured at Style of Civilization in Knoxville.

Twenty photographs taken by parishioners and clergy were entered in the third diocesan photography competition and exhibition. All participants were asked to respond visually to the theme of the convention; "Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom" as well as verbally through a written statement of 100 words or less. The chosen entries were displayed in an exhibition during the Convention at the Holiday Inn World's Fair Park, Knoxville, on February 7 and 8.

The three juried winning entries and People's Choice Award winner below along with accompanying written pieces.

1st Place: Matt Harbison, "Into the Mystic"

This photo also won People's Choice award and prize.



Sometimes our journey to proclaim the good news is shrouded in mystery but no less beautiful. A local fisherman proceeds into the myst at Grace Point.

2nd Place: The Rev. Carol Westpfahl, "We Shall Overcome"



By chance, I had a glimpse of what I believe proclaiming the good news of the Kingdom would look like - in Atlanta last summer. I'd visited the Martin Luther King Jr. historical site campus, and spent some time sitting in the old Ebenezer Baptist church listening to recordings of King preaching. Then I accidentally eavesdropped on another moment.

A group of people, clearly from a variety of ethnic backgrounds, approached the mosaic in the MLK historical complex that depicts highlights from King's life. From their conversation, they seemed to be part of some sort of academic symposium, on an afternoon tour of the city. At first, they took pictures like any other group of tourists. Then, spontaneously, they grabbed each other's hands and started singing. We Shall Overcome. In what I recognized as Hindi.

They probably wondered why the woman they didn't know kept taking pictures of them, but they graciously let me be.

3rd Place: Boyd Evans, "Liturgical Tradition"



Our rich liturgical traditions proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom. These traditions have centuries-old roots and transcend both time and space such that it is not merely our forebears who walk with Christ, but we ourselves journey with Christ continually in the past, present, and future. A centuries-old office book is open to Luke's Gospel in an ancient monastery. Each note and each letter of this book have been printed by hand and are ready to be sung in glory. The book is open to a section of Luke's Gospel describing the birth (nativity) of John. John was one of the first to proclaim the coming of Jesus and the Good News of the Kingdom in Jesus.

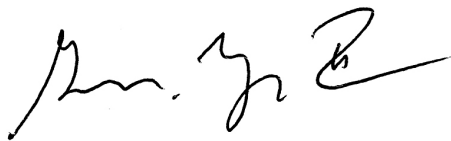
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Mr. Kirby Purjet

Lay minister in the Church of God, you have been called to serve with the Bishop, Fellow staff members and all the people of the Diocese of East Tennessee as Diocesan Administrator. We give thanks for your presence, for your willingness to serve God and the church and for the gifts God has given you for this ministry.

God bless you and we look forward to our life and work together.

Given under my hand and seal, in Knoxville, Tennessee, on the Seventh day of February, 2014. and in the third year of my consecration.

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The Right Reverend George D. Young, III
Bishop of East Tennessee

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

The Rev. Patricia Marie Grace
Presbyter of the Church of God, you have been called to work together with
your Bishop and fellow Presbyters as pastor, priest and teacher and take
your share in the Councils of the Church.

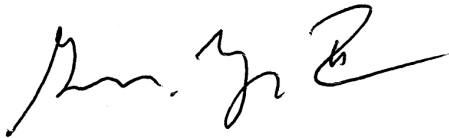
Now, in accordance with the Canons, you have been selected to serve God
as Canon to the Ordinary of East Tennessee.

This letter is a sign that you are fully empowered and authorized to exercise
this ministry accepting its privileges and responsibilities as a priest of this
diocese, in communion with your bishop.

Having committed you self to this work, do not forget the trust of those who
have chosen you. Care alike for young and old, strong and weak, rich and
poor. By your words, an in your life, proclaim the Gospel.

Love and serve Christ's people. Nourish them and strengthen them to
glorify God in this life and in the life to come.

May the Lord, who has given you the will to do these things, give you the
grace and power to perform them.

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