

The Episcopal Diocese of Maryland



Convention Journal

Part A – Information & Reports

For the

235th Annual Convention

May 10-11, 2019

235th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland

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235th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland

Schedule

THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2019

5:00 PM REGISTRATION DESK OPENS – Hotel lobby (until 7:00 PM)

FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2019

Beverage stations for coffee, tea & water are available at the back of the ballroom.

8:00 AM REGISTRATION DESK OPENS

Displays and Exhibits open

Rehearsal for Convention Eucharist – Grand Ballroom

9:00 AM Committee on Rights to Seats for Clergy and Laity – Registration Desk

10:00 AM **Convention Eucharist** – Grand Ballroom

Celebrant: The Right Rev. Eugene Taylor Sutton

Preacher: The Most Rev. Melissa Skelton

11:30 AM Break

12:00 PM **Buffet Lunch** – Grand Ballroom

12:45 AM **Opening Business Session** – Grand Ballroom

Election of secretary, appointments approved

Keynote: The Most Rev. Melissa Skelton

Report from Nominating Committee

Casting of first ballot

2:15 PM Break

2:45 PM **Business Session** – Grand Ballroom

Report of first ballot

Casting of second ballot

Resolution discussion in small groups

4:15 PM Break

4:30 PM **Workshops**

5:45 PM **Conclude for day**

6:30 PM 2.5 mile Prayer Walk in West Baltimore (carpool at 6 PM from portico chere)

Beginning at Enoch Pratt Free Library, 4330 Edmondson Ave.

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019

Beverage stations for coffee, tea & water are available at the back of the ballroom.

8:00 AM **Registration Desk re-opens**

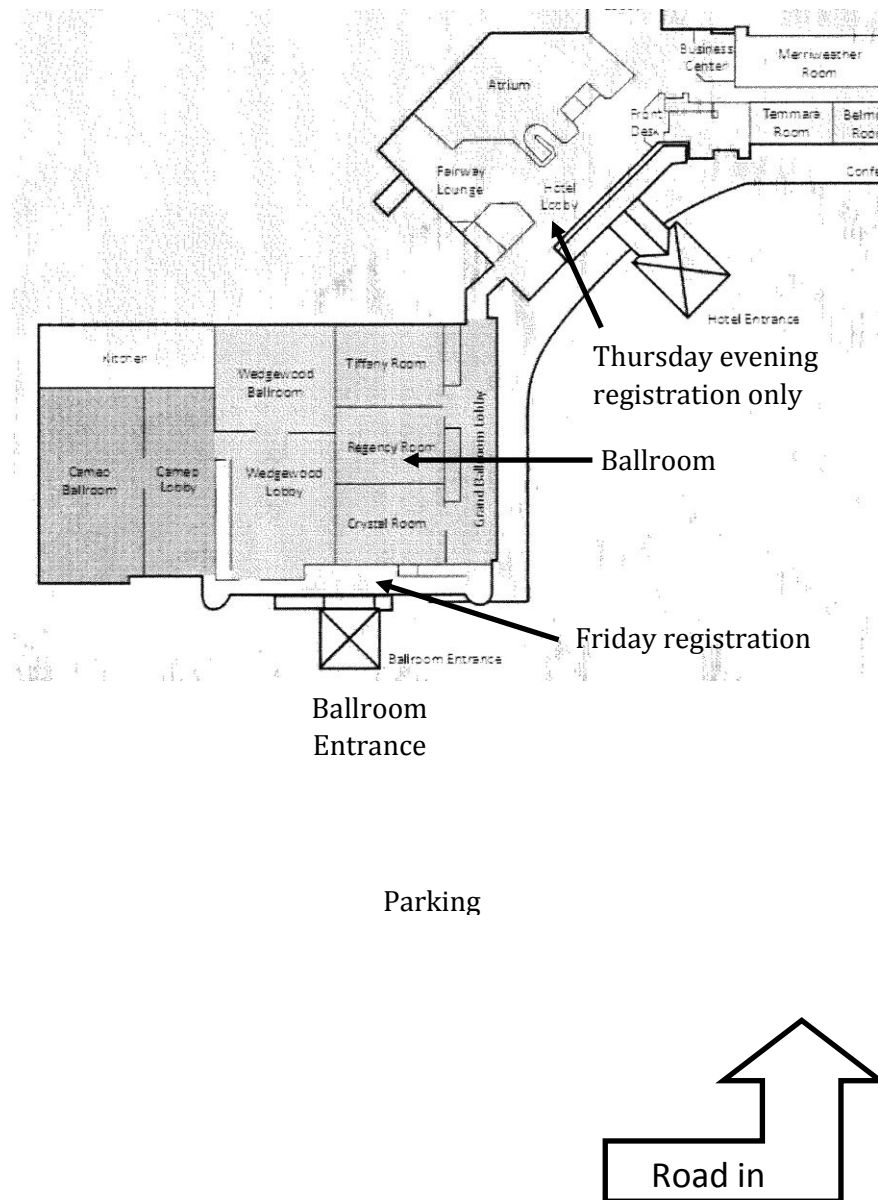
Displays and exhibits open

Youth Breakfast with the bishop—Terrace on the Green (downstairs)

Deacons' gathering—Ellicott Room (downstairs)

9:00 AM	Morning Prayer – Grand Ballroom United Thank Offering Ingathering Officiant: Ms. Carrie Graves
9:30 AM	Business Session Bishop’s Address Small group discussion on theme
10:30 AM	Break
10:45 AM	Business Session Treasurer’s Report Questions related to other reports Resolution debate
12:00 noon	Buffet Lunch – Grand Ballroom
12:00 PM	Postulants Lunch with Mary Sulerud—Ellicott Room
1:00 PM	Business Session Resolution debate Courtesy resolutions Other business
3:00 PM	Adjournment Diocesan Council—Ellicott Room (downstairs)

Map—Turf Valley Resort



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Churches by Region

Anne Arundel (9)

Epiphany, Odenton
St. Alban's, Glen Burnie
St. Andrew's, Pasadena
St. Anne's, Annapolis
St. Luke's, Eastport
St. Margaret's, Annapolis
St. Martin's in-the-Field,
Severna Park
St. Philip's, Annapolis
St. Stephen's, Severn Parish

Frederick (7)

All Saints', Frederick
Harriet Chapel,
Catoclin Parish
Grace, Brunswick
Grace, New Market
St. James', Mount Airy
St. Paul's, Point of Rocks
Transfiguration,
Braddock Heights

Harford County (10)

Ascension, Scarboro
Christ Church, Rock Spring
Emmanuel, Bel Air
Grace, Darlington
Holy Cross, The Rocks
Holy Trinity, Churchville
St. John's, Havre de Grace
St. John's, Kingsville
St. Mary's, Emmorton
Resurrection, Copley Parish

Baltimore North (18)

All Saints', Reisterstown
Ascension, Westminster
Epiphany, Dulaney Valley
Good Shepherd, Towson
Holy Comforter, Lutherville
Holy Nativity, Baltimore
Immanuel, Glencoe
St. Andrew's ICC/AE, Balt.
St. George's, Hampstead
St. James', Monkton
St. James', Parkton
St. John's, Western Run
St. Mark's-on-the-Hill,
Pikesville
St. Thomas', Owings Mills
St. Thomas', Towson
Sherwood, Cockeysville
Trinity, Long Green
Trinity, Towson

Patapsco Valley (13)

Christ Church, Columbia
Christ the King, Woodlawn
Grace, Elkridge
Holy Apostles and St. Stephen,
Arbutus
St. Andrew's, Glenwood
St. Barnabas', Sykesville
St. Christopher's, Linthicum
St. John's, Ellicott City
St. Mark's, Highland
St. Mary's, Woodlawn
St. Paul's, Mount Airy
St. Peter's, Ellicott City
Trinity, Elkridge

Baltimore South (28)

Advent, Baltimore
Cathedral of the
Incarnation, Baltimore
Church on the Square,
Baltimore
Emmanuel, Baltimore
Grace & St. Peter's, Baltimore
Guardian Angel, Baltimore
Holy Covenant, Baltimore
Holy Trinity, Baltimore
Holy Trinity, Essex
Memorial, Baltimore
Messiah, Baltimore
Nativity & Holy Comforter,
Cedarcroft
Redemption, Locust Point
Redeemer, Baltimore
Resurreccion, Baltimore
Slate Project, Baltimore
St. Bartholomew's, Balt.
St. David's, Roland Park
St. George's & St. Matthew's,
Dundalk
St. James', Lafayette Square
St. John's-in-the Village,
Huntingdon
St. John's, Mt. Washington
St. Katherine of Alexandria,
Baltimore
St. Luke's, Baltimore
St. Mary the Virgin, Baltimore
St. Matthias', Baltimore
St. Michael & All Angels,
Baltimore
St. Paul's, Baltimore

Southern Maryland (8)

All Hallows, Davidsonville
 All Saints', Sunderland
 Christ Church, Port Republic
 Christ Church, West River
 Middleham & St. Peter's,
 Lusby
 St. Andrew the Fisherman,
 Mayo
 St. James', Lothian
 St. Paul's, Prince Frederick

Washington County (7)

St. Andrew's, Clear Spring
 St. Anne's, Smithsburg
 St. John's, Hagerstown
 St. Luke's, Brownsville
 St. Mark's, Lappans
 St. Paul's, Sharpsburg
 St. Thomas', Hancock
 St. James' Chapel,
 Hagerstown

Western Maryland (7)

Emmanuel, Cumberland
 St. George's, Mt. Savage
 St. James', Westernport
 St. John's, Deer Park
 St. John's, Frostburg
 St. Matthew's, Oakland
 St. Peter's, Lonaconing

Indexes of Congregations

AA—Anne Arundel
 BN—Baltimore North
 BS—Baltimore South

F—Frederick
 HC—Harford County
 PV—Patapsco Valley

SM—Southern Maryland
 W—Washington Co.
 WM—Western Maryland

Advent, Church of the, Baltimore.....BS
 All Hallows' Parish, Davidsonville.....SM
 All Saints' Church, Annapolis Junction.....(Closed 2005)
 All Saints' Church, Baltimore.....(Closed 1970)
 All Saints' Church, Reisterstown.....BN
 All Saints' Parish, Frederick County.....F
 All Saints' Church, Sunderland.....SM
 All Souls' Church, Brooklyn (sold).....(Closed 1985)
 Antietam Parish, Washington County, *See St. Paul's Church, Sharpsburg*
 Ascension and Prince of Peace, Church of.....(Closed 1987)
 Ascension Church, Scarboro, in Deer Creek Parish.....HC
 Ascension, Church of the, Middle River.....(Closed 2013)
 Ascension, Church of the, Westminster.....BN
 Bishop Paret Memorial Church, Locust Point, *See Church of the Redemption*
 Cathedral Church of the Incarnation.....BS
 Catoctin Parish, Frederick County, *See Harriet Chapel, Catoctin Parish*
 Christ's Church, Baltimore.....(Closed 1987)
 Christ Church, Columbia.....PV
 Christ Church Parish, Port Republic.....SM
 Christ Church, Rock Spring Parish.....HC
 Christ Church Parish, West River.....SM

Christ the King, Episcopal Church of, Woodlawn.....	PV
Church on the Square, Baltimore.....	BS
Churchville Parish, <i>See Holy Trinity, Churchville</i>	
Copley Parish, Gunpowder Hundred, Joppa.....	HC
Deer Creek Parish, <i>See Ascension Church, Scarboro and Grace Memorial Church, Darlington</i>	
Emmanuel Church, Baltimore.....	BS
Emmanuel Church, Bel Air.....	HC
Emmanuel Church, Cumberland.....	WM
Epiphany Church, Odenton.....	AA
Epiphany, Church of the, Govans, Baltimore.....	(Closed 1969)
Epiphany Church, Dulaney Valley.....	BN
Garrett County Missions, <i>See St. John's Church, Deer Park</i>	
Good Shepherd, Church of the, Towson.....	BN
Grace and St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.....	BS
Grace Church, Brunswick.....	F
Grace Church, Elkridge.....	PV
Grace Church, Mt. Winans, Baltimore.....	(Closed 1969)
Grace Church, New Market.....	F
Grace Memorial Church, Darlington in Deer Creek Parish.....	HC
Guardian Angel, Church of the, Baltimore.....	BS
Harper's Choice Mission, Columbia, <i>See Christ Church, Columbia</i>	
Harriet Chapel, Catoctin Parish.....	F
Havre de Grace Parish, <i>See St. John's Church, Havre de Grace</i>	
Holy Apostles, Church of the, Arbutus.....	PV
Holy Apostles Parish, Frederick, Carroll & Howard Counties, <i>See St. James', Mt. Airy</i>	
Holy Comforter, Church of the, Lutherville.....	BN
Holy Commandment, unorganized mission.....	(Closed 1991)
Holy Covenant, Church of the, Baltimore.....	BS
Holy Cross, Church of the, Baltimore.....	(Closed 2006)
Holy Cross-St. Philip's.....	(Closed 2014)
Holy Cross Church, The Rocks.....	HC
Holy Evangelists, Church of the, Canton.....	(Closed 1996)
Holy Nativity, Church of the, Baltimore.....	BN
Holy Spirit, Church of the, Aberdeen.....	(Closed 1968)
Holy Trinity, Church of the, Baltimore.....	BS
Holy Trinity Church, Churchville.....	HC
Holy Trinity Church, Essex.....	BS
Holy Trinity Church, Point of Rocks.....	(Sold 1974)
Holy Trinity Parish, Sykesville, Baltimore, Carroll & Howard Counties, <i>See St. Barnabas' Church</i>	
Immanuel Parish, Glencoe.....	BN
Linganore Parish, Frederick and Carroll Counties, <i>See Grace Church, New Market</i>	
Los Tres Santos Reyes, Baltimore.....	(Closed 2008)
Memorial Church, Baltimore.....	BS

Messiah, Church of the, Baltimore.....	BS
Messiah, Church of the, Edgewood	(1970 merged with Resurrection, Joppa)
Middleham & St. Peter's, Calvert County.....	SM
Middleham Church, Lusby, <i>See Middleham & St. Peter's</i>	
Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore (sold)	(Closed 2012)
Nativity & Holy Comforter, Cedarcroft, Baltimore.....	BS
Our Father's House, Altamont, <i>See St. John's, Deer Park</i>	
Our Saviour, Church of, Baltimore.....	(1972 merged with Holy Covenant)
Prince of Peace, Church of the, Fallston	(Closed 1991)
Queen Caroline Parish, <i>See Christ Church, Columbia</i>	
Redeemer, Church of the, Baltimore.....	BS
Redemption, Church of the, Locust Point.....	BS
Reisterstown Parish, Baltimore County, <i>See All Saints' Church, Reisterstown</i>	
Resurrection, Church of the, Baltimore.....	BS
Resurrection, Church of the, Joppa, <i>See Copley Parish Gunpowder Hundred</i>	
Slate Project, Baltimore and online.....	BS
St. Alban's Church, Williamsport.....	(Closed 1971)
St. Alban's Parish, Glen Burnie, Anne Arundel County.....	AA
St. Andrew the Fisherman, The Church of, Mayo.....	SM
St. Andrew's Church, Loch Raven, Baltimore.....	(Closed 2013)
St. Andrew's ICC/AE Church, Loch Raven, Baltimore.....	BN
St. Andrew's Church, Clear Spring.....	WC
St. Andrew's Church, Glenwood.....	PV
St. Andrew's Church, Pasadena.....	AA
St. Ann's Church, Smithsburg.....	WC
St. Anne's Church, Annapolis.....	AA
St. Barnabas' Church, Baltimore.....	(1974 merged with St. Christopher's)
St. Barnabas' Church, Sykesville.....	PV
St. Bartholomew's Church, Ten Hills, Baltimore.....	BS
St. Bede's Chapel, Canterbury House, Westminster.....	(Closed 1968)
St. Christopher, Church of, Linthicum Heights.....	AA
St. Clement's Church, Indian Spring.....	(Closed 1971)
St. David's Church, Roland Park.....	BS
St. George's Parish, Dundalk (merged with St. Matthew's, Sparrow Point) <i>See St. George's & St. Matthew's Parish</i>	
St. George's Church, Hampstead.....	BN
St. George's Church, Mount Savage.....	WM
St. George's Parish, Perryman.....	(Closed 2019)
St. George's & St. Matthew's Parish, Dundalk.....	BS
St. Hilda's Church, Catonsville.....	(Closed 2018)
St. James' Chapel, St. James' School, Hagerstown.....	WC
St. James' Church, Lafayette Square, Baltimore.....	BS
St. James' Church, Irvington.....	(Closed 2009)
St. James' Church, Lothian.....	SM
St. James, Church, Mount Airy.....	F
St. James' Church, My Lady's Manor, Monkton.....	BN

St. James' Church, Parkton.....	BN
St. James' Church, Trappe (99-year lease).....	(Closed 1956)
St. James' Church, Westernport.....	WM
St. John the Evangelist, Shady Side.....	(Closed 1989)
St. John's Chapel, Gambrills.....	(Closed 1979)
St. John's Church, Deer Park.....	WM
St. John's Parish, Ellicott City.....	PV
St. John's Church, Frostburg.....	WM
St. John's Church, Havre de Grace.....	HC
St. John's Church, Huntingdon, Baltimore.....	BS
St. John's Church, Kingsville.....	HC
St. John's Church, Mt. Washington, Baltimore.....	BS
St. John's Church, Relay.....	(Closed 1967)
St. John's Church, Western Run Parish.....	BN
St. John's Parish, Hagerstown.....	WC
St. Katherine of Alexandria, Church of, Baltimore.....	BS
St. Luke's Chapel, Sands.....	(Closed 1982)
St. Luke's Church, Brownsville.....	WC
St. Luke's Church, Eastport, Annapolis.....	AA
St. Luke's Church, Baltimore.....	BS
St. Margaret's Church, Coventry.....	(Closed 2014)
St. Margaret's Church, Annapolis.....	AA
St. Mark's Chapel, Deale, Tracey's Landing, <i>See St. James' Church, Lothian</i>	
St. Mark's Church, Highland.....	PV
St. Mark's Church, Lappans.....	WC
St. Mark's Church, Petersville.....	(Closed 1966)
St. Mark's on-the-Hill, Pikesville.....	BN
St. Mark's Parish, Frederick & Washington Counties, <i>See St. Luke's Church, Brownsville</i>	
St. Martin's in-the-Field, Severna Park.....	AA
St. Mary, Church of, Woodlawn.....	PV
St. Mary the Virgin, Church of, Baltimore.....	BS
St. Mary's Church, Hampden.....	(Closed 1999)
St. Mary's Church, Emmorton.....	HC
St. Matthew's Church, Baltimore	(1972 merged with Holy Covenant)
St. Matthew's Parish, Oakland.....	WM
St. Matthew's Parish, Sparrows Point (merged with St. George's, Dundalk) <i>See St. George's & St. Matthew's Parish</i>	
St. Matthias' Church, Baltimore.....	BS
St. Michael and All Angels, Church of, Baltimore.....	BS
St. Michael's Chapel, Reisterstown.....	(Perpetual lease and reserved for special use)
St. Paul's Chapel, Crownsville.....	(Sold 1964)
St. Paul's Church, Perry Hall.....	(Closed 1972)
St. Paul's Church, Mt. Airy.....	PV
St. Paul's Church, Poplar Springs, <i>See St. Paul's, Mt. Airy</i>	
St. Paul's Church, Sharpsburg.....	WC

St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore.....	BS
St. Paul's Parish, Point of Rocks.....	F
St. Paul's Parish, Prince Frederick.....	SM
St. Paul the Apostle, Church of, Baltimore.....	(Closed 2007)
St. Peter's Church, Ellicott City.....	PV
St. Peter's Church, Lonaconing.....	WM
St. Peter's Church, Solomon's, <i>See Middleham & St. Peter's</i>	
St. Peter's Parish, Anne Arundel County, <i>See Epiphany Church, Odenton</i>	
St. Philip's Church, Annapolis.....	AA
St. Philip's Church, Cumberland.....	(Closed 1966)
St. Stephen's Chapel, Thurmont.....	(Closed 1967)
St. Stephen's Church, Severn Parish.....	AA
St. Stephen's Chapel, Baltimore (formerly St. Stephen the Martyr).....	(Closed)
St. Thomas' Church, Owings Mills.....	BN
St. Thomas' Church, Hancock.....	WC
St. Thomas' Church, Towson.....	BN
St. Timothy's Church, Catonsville.....	(Closed 2013)
St. Timothy's Church, Frederick.....	(Closed 2015)
Servant Church of Christ, Columbia.....	(Closed 1971)
Severn Parish, Anne Arundel County, <i>See St. Stephen's, Severn Parish</i>	
Sherwood Parish, Cockeysville.....	BN
Spesutia Church, Harford County, <i>See St. George's Parish, Perryman</i>	
The Gathering, Walkersville.....	(Closed 2008)
Transfiguration, Church of the, Baltimore	(1974 merged with Holy Nativity)
Transfiguration, Church of the, Braddock Heights.....	F
Trinity Church, Long Green.....	BN
Trinity Church, Towson.....	BN
Trinity Church, Elkridge.....	PV
Trinity Church, Waterloo, <i>See Trinity Church, Elkridge</i>	
Washington County Mission.....	(Relationship dissolved 1980)
Western Run Parish, Glyndon, <i>See St. John's Church, Western Run Parish</i>	
Westminster Parish, <i>See St. Margaret's Church, Annapolis</i>	
Zion Parish, Urbana.....	(Burned, Closed 1961)

Other Agencies, Institutions & Organizations

Reported by the Secretary of Diocesan Council annually

Baltimore International Seafarers' Center

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Chase Home

Claggett Center

Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Children of Clergy
of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland

Cursillo-Secretariat (Maryland Episcopal Cursillo Fellowship)

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Episcopal Service Corps (ESC)

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Maryland Episcopal Public Policy Network (MEPPN)

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www.epiphanyearlylearning.net

Grace Church Child Care Center, Elkridge
www.gracechurchchildcarecenter.com

Good Shepherd School, Towson
www.goodshepherd-towson.org

Pre-School for the Arts at St. Anne's, Annapolis
www.preschoolforthearts.org

Redeemer Parish Day School, Baltimore
www.redeemerpds.org

St. Anne's School of Annapolis
www.stannesschool.org

St. David's Day School, Baltimore
www.stdavidsrolandpark.com

St. James' Academy, Monkton
www.saintjamesacademy.org

St. James' Nursery School, Mount Airy
www.stjamesmtairy.org

St. James' Church Preschool, Parkton
www.stjamesparkton.org

Saint James School, Hagerstown
www.stjames.edu

St. John's Parish Day School, Ellicott City
www.stjohnspds.org

St. Margaret's Day School, Annapolis
www.st-margarets.org

St. Martin's in-the-Field Day School, Severna Park
www.stmartinsdayschool.org

St. Paul's School, Brooklandville
www.stpaulsschool.org

St. Paul's School for Girls, Brooklandville
www.spsfg.org

St. Peter's Episcopal School, Ellicott City
www.stpeterspreschool.org

St. Thomas' Parish Co-op Day School, Owings Mills
www.stthomasparishdayschool.org

St. Timothy's School, Stevenson
www.stt.org

The Wilkes School at Grace and St. Peter's, Baltimore
www.wilkesschool.org

Trinity Episcopal Children's Center, Towson
www.tecckids.org

Trinity Church Day School, Long Green
www.trinitychurchdayschool.com

Individuals in the Formation Process

As of March 2019

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Transitional

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Thomas Clement, St. Luke's, Annapolis (VTS)
Sara Yoe, St. Andrew's, Glenwood (CDSP)

School Key

VTS Virginia Theological Seminary
CDSP Church Divinity School of the Pacific

Diaconate Formation

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Nathaniel Gibson, St. James', Lafayette Square
Alfred Horton, Grace Church, Brunswick
James Reaves, Cathedral Church of the Incarnation, Baltimore
Stuart Scarborough, All Saints', Frederick
Denise Schiavone, St. John's, Ellicott City
Amy Shimonkevitz, St. Thomas', Towson
Steven Smith, St. Mary the Virgin, Baltimore
Kathleen Smith-Jones, Grace Church, Brunswick

Episcopal Acts

May 13, 2017 – May 11, 2018

Ordinations to the Diaconate

Joan Hickey Kelly	June 10, 2017	Cathedral of the Incarnation	CRK
Jo Marie Leslie	June 10, 2017	Cathedral of the Incarnation	CRK
Eric Ian Whitehair	June 10, 2017	Cathedral of the Incarnation	CRK
Corby Zeren	June 10, 2017	Cathedral of the Incarnation	CRK
Janet Kabui Kuria	July 8, 2017	St Andrew's, Loch Raven	ETS
John Thomas Verdon	September 17, 2017	St James', Lothian	CRK
Lisa Ashley Bornt	January 13, 2018	Cathedral of the Incarnation	CRK
Robert Monroe Bunker	January 13, 2018	Cathedral of the Incarnation	CRK
Taylor Darlington Daynes	January 13, 2018	Cathedral of the Incarnation	CRK
Leonard Scott Lipscomb	January 13, 2018	Cathedral of the Incarnation	CRK
Patti Luann Sachs	January 13, 2018	Cathedral of the Incarnation	CRK

Ordination to the Priesthood

Pamela Gales Conrad	September 16, 2017	Cathedral of the Incarnation	ETS
Daniel Wade McClain	September 16, 2017	Cathedral of the Incarnation	ETS
Joanne Russell Tetrault	September 16, 2017	Cathedral of the Incarnation	ETS
Lewis G. Bradford	October 29, 2017	Resurrection, Baltimore	ETS
Janet Kubai Kuria	April 8, 2018	St Andrew's, Loch Raven	ETS/CRK

Transferred In

Susan Kay Oldfather	June 6, 2017	Diocese of Kansas
Ann M. Ritonia	September 6, 2017	Diocese of Washington
Edie Holton	September 14, 2017	Diocese of Northern California
Elizabeth Anne Sipos	October 4, 2017	Anglican Church of Canada
Christopher M. Garcia	December 1, 2017	Diocese of Virginia
Samuel N. Keyes	December 7, 2017	Diocese of Alabama
Jeffrey Charles Hual	February 6, 2018	Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast
Emmanuel A. Mercer	March 2, 2018	Diocese of Pennsylvania

Transferred Out

William Reeves Burt, Jr.	May 17, 2017	Diocese of Connecticut
Glenna Reed Huber	June 1, 2017	Diocese of Washington
Dominique Francois Peridans	June 29, 2017	Diocese of Washington
James Barney Hawkins, IV	September 6, 2017	Diocese of Western North Carolina
Lura M. Kaval	January 4, 2018	Diocese of Virginia
Theresa Markley Brion	January 22, 2018	Diocese of Virginia
Sara Lynn Shisler Goff	January 16, 2018	Diocese of Hawaii
Sarah Rebecca Lamming	February 28, 2018	Diocese of Washington
Angela Fontessa Shepherd	March 13, 2018	Diocese of Atlanta

Celebration of New Ministry

Elizabeth Anne Sipos	July 16, 2017	St John's, Kingsville	ETS
Ann M. Ritonia	November 15, 2017	St John's, Ellicott City	ETS

Christopher M. Garcia	December 5, 2017	Christ Church, Port Republic	ETS
Emmanuel A. Mercer	March 3, 2018	Christ Church, Columbia	ETS
Licensed to Officiate			
Julia A. Fritts	June 1, 2017	Diocese of Connecticut	
Tobias Stanislas Haller	June 1, 2017	Diocese of New York	
M. Chandler (Whitman) Irwin	June 1, 2017	Diocese of West Tennessee	
Elizabeth R. Masterson	June 1, 2017	Diocese of Delaware	
Jethro Larrie Smith	June 1, 2017	Diocese of Atlanta	
Martha Watson	June 1, 2017	Diocese of Nevada	
William T. Alford	July 14, 2017	Diocese of Central Pennsylvania	
Mariann Babnis	July 14, 2017	Diocese of Washington	
James C. Holmes	July 14, 2017	Diocese of Washington	
Edward J. Peck, Jr.	July 14, 2017	Diocese of Central Pennsylvania	
Robert S. Runkle	July 14, 2017	Diocese of Spokane	
Joy E. Walton	July 14, 2017	Diocese of Delaware	
F. Bradley Peyton, IV	August 7, 2017	Diocese of Washington	
Patrick A. Pierce	September 29, 2017	Diocese of Central Pennsylvania	
Sarah Akes-Cardwell	October 26, 2017	Diocese of East Tennessee	
Emily C. Holman	November 21, 2017	Diocese of New Jersey	
Georgia C. DuBose	January 22, 2018	Diocese of West Virginia	
Carol Cole Flanagan	January 23, 2018	Diocese of Washington	
N. Edward Scott	January 25, 2018	Diocese of East Tennessee	
Rodney V. Rice	January 25, 2018	Diocese of New York	
Walter F. Burgess	January 25, 2018	Diocese of Easton	
Stephen R. Haptonstahl	February 12, 2018	Diocese of Minnesota	
T. James Snodgrass	April 9, 2018	Diocese of Puerto Rico	
Donald J. Schranz	April 9, 2018	Diocese of Springfield	
Cornelius O. O'Farrell	April 9, 2018	Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	
John N. Karanja	April 9, 2018	Nakuru (Kenya)	

Clergy Release and Removal

None

Consent to the Resignation of a Bishop

Julio C. Holguin	Diocese of the Dominican Republic	June 13, 2017
S. Todd Ousley	Diocese of Eastern Michigan	June 13, 2017

Consent to the Election of a Bishop

Kevin Scott Brown	Diocese of Delaware	August 30, 2017
Brian Lee Cole	Diocese of East Tennessee	August 30, 2017

Consent to the Election of a Bishop Suffragan

The Diocese of Virginia	November 21, 2017
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Miscellaneous Acts

Blessing of new columbarium	June 11, 2017	CRK
Dedication of Rodgers 599 Organ, St John's, Havre de Grace	July 6, 2017	CRK

Commissioning of Episcopal Service Corps	August 29, 2017	CRK
Dedication of Sojourner Place at 1411 Argyle Avenue, Baltimore	November 1, 2017	ETS
Consecration of the Altar at St Hilda's, Catonsville	January 6, 2018	ETS
Reaffirmation of Vows, Cathedral of the Incarnation	March 27, 2018	ETS/CRK
Dedication of a stained glass window honoring their African American Ancestors, St Mark's, Lappans	April 29, 2018	ETS

Confirmations-Receptions-Reaffirmations

Date	Number	Place	Bishop
May 21, 2017	6	St Thomas' Parish, Hancock	Knudsen
May 21, 2017		at Redeemer, Baltimore:	Ihloff
	1	Ascension, Westminster	
	7	Redeemer, Baltimore	
May 24, 2017	4	Ascension, Westminster	Sutton
May 24, 2017	9	St James Chapel, Hagerstown	Sutton
June 4, 2017	3	Christ Church, Port Republic	Knudsen
June 10, 2017		at Peace Chapel, Cathedral of the Incarnation:	Knudsen
	1	St Matthias, Baltimore	
June 11, 2017		at St Anne's, Smithsburg:	Knudsen
	3	St Andrew's, Clear Spring	
	3	St John's, Hagerstown	
	4	St Anne's, Smithsburg	
September 17, 2017	8	Redeemer, Baltimore	Sutton
October 1, 2017	5	Grace, Brunswick	Knudsen
October 8, 2017	4	St Paul's, Prince Frederick	Sutton
October 29, 2017	1	Trinity, Long Green	Knudsen
November 5, 2017	3	All Hallows', Davidsonville	Knudsen
November 12, 2017	5	St Matthias', Baltimore	Knudsen
November 19, 2017	1	Grace & St Peter's, Baltimore	Sutton
December 10, 2017	2	Emmanuel, Baltimore	Knudsen
December 17, 2017	1	St Philp's, Annapolis	Sutton
December 17, 2017	4	Grace, Elkridge	Knudsen
January 7, 2018	4	Grace Memorial, Darlington	Knudsen
January 14, 2018	3	Ascension, Scarboro	Knudsen
February 4, 2018	2	Trinity, Elkridge	Sutton
February 18, 2018	4	St James', Baltimore	Knudsen/Baxter
March 4, 2018	12	St Stephen's, Severn Parish	Sutton
March 4, 2018	9	Good Shepherd, Towson	Knudsen
March 18, 2018	10	St Thomas', Towson	Knudsen
March 18, 2018	5	Emmanuel, Belair	Sutton
March 25, 2018	11	St Andrew's, Glenwood	Knudsen
March 31, 2018	1	Cathedral of the Incarnation, Baltimore	Knudsen
April 15, 2018	11	Trinity, Towson	Sutton
April 15, 2018	21	St Paul's School, Brooklandville	Knudsen
April 15, 2018	9	St David's, Roland Park	Knudsen
April 22, 2018	11	Holy Apostles, Arbutus	Knudsen
April 22, 2018		at the Cathedral of the Incarnation:	Sutton
	16	St Thomas', Owings Mills	
	2	St Paul's, Baltimore	

	6	St John's, Western Run Parish	
	4	St John's, Kingsville	
	1	St John's, Ellicott City	
	7	St James', Mt Airy	
	7	St Barnabas', Sykesville	
	2	St Andrew's, Clear Spring	
	4	Immanuel, Glencoe	
	4	Epiphany, Timonium	
	11	Redeemer, Baltimore	
April 25, 2018	5	St James' Chapel, Hagerstown	Sutton
April 29, 2018	6	St George's, Hampstead	Knudsen
May 6, 2018		at St Matthew's, Oakland:	Knudsen
	1	St John's, Hagerstown	
May 6, 2018		at Ascension, Westminster:	Sutton
	1	Grace, New Market	
	6	Ascension, Westminster	

Diocesan Reports

The Archives

The Archives lost a friend and loyal volunteer in November, with the sudden death of The Rev. Lance Gifford. He worked in the Archives every Wednesday and eventually became an expert in deciphering the distinctive handwriting and transcribing the personal letters of the Right Rev. William R. Whittingham, bishop from 1840-1879. I counted 224 letters which he had painstakingly transcribed, many of which were ten pages long. Lance's contribution to the history of the diocese cannot be overstated. Having a first-hand lens through which to look at the personal, historical and national history of a great bishop is invaluable. Before Lance's death, he had already contributed nearly 50 hours of his time in 2018 to his "pet project"; he is sorely missed.

A recent welcome addition to the Archivist's job has been to write an article "From the Archives" for the bi-weekly diocesan e-news. Beginning in the summer of 2018, there were fifteen articles published, which, according to the communications team, have been very favorably received. Topics vary, and are a source of interest and outreach for the archivist.

In addition to the daily requests for research assistance via email, phone calls, letters and visits, the archivist has scheduled site visits to congregation archives, processed new additions to the collection, carried out tours, and mounted exhibits. Staff requests for information and support continue to increase, and a variety of researchers continue to spend time in the Archives searching our wonderful storehouse of documents.

As always, the Archives depends upon the generous donations of patrons and friends for our existence and continued operation. Direct donations, 100 percent of which are for the sole use of the Archives, may be made to the F. Garner Ranney Archives Fund, or given through the Annual Ministries Appeal. These donations guarantee that the Archives continues to fulfill our canonical mandate and sustain the ministry of stewardship of our compelling historical records.

Submitted by:
Mary O. Klein, archivist

The Baltimore International Seafarers' Center

Ever wonder how it might feel to welcome Filipinos, Indians, Russians, Chinese, Americans, and other seafarers working on cargo ships docked in Baltimore? Here's what chaplains and volunteers at the Baltimore International Seafarers' Center experience:

- Amazement, when crews of up to six nationalities set aside political differences, communicate in English, and cooperate to protect their lives and their livelihood.
- Awe, because seafarers work such long hours in order to support the loved ones they miss so much.
- Sorrow, because so often their work schedules or visa status prevent them from going ashore, even in safer countries like the U.S., during their 24 hours in port.
- Regret, because even seafarers with U.S. visas and a few free hours still can't get out to buy vitamins or wire money home or just see a new face--unless they have badged escorts.
- Joy, when we have enough badged volunteers to provide those rides ashore.
- Reverence, when seafarers share their deepest concerns, about violent storms, fires, work accidents, piracy, illness back home, or—most of all—isolation.
- Gratitude, when we can support them through prayer and advocacy.

We are grateful to all of you who support BISC, a 501(c)3 with only one full-time paid staff. Thank you, Episcopal Diocese of Maryland, St. Mark's Highland, and other supporters. And thank you if you invite us to visit your congregation, volunteer, collect jackets or issues of Sports Illustrated, write checks, donate on Paypal, board our April harbor cruise, register for our fall golf outing (October 17 in 2019), and make Christmas boxes—**particularly if you respect volunteer health by following guidelines and keeping those boxes under 3 ½ pounds!**

Thanks to you, we visited over 1200 ships in 2018. We transported nearly 7,000 seafarers, and gave more than 1600 Christmas gifts. We conducted worship. We arranged up to five reunions a week between foreign seafarers and their immigrant relatives. Above all, we have listened. Meanwhile, we raised our national and international profiles by hosting a North American port chaplains' convention by obtaining a grant from the UK-based Mission to Seafarers.

Please visit BaltSeafarers.org, and find us on Facebook!

Submitted by:
The Rev. Mary Davisson, Executive Director/Port Chaplain

Chaplain to Clergy and their Families

When I introduce myself as the Chaplain for Staff and Clergy and their families, the question, “What do you do actually?” often arises. My response, “I take care of people who take care of people.” We expect our clergy to be there for every event, good and bad; for the religious holidays and weekends. Clergy and their families seldom get the opportunity to get away. More important, our clergy are willing and able to be present for those moments of our lives when we are trying to make sense of illness or loss.

Our staff, be they at the Diocesan Center, Claggett Center, or wherever, are always ready to serve. Over the years I've found that The Diocese of Maryland has people of uncommon good nature who act as if they have nothing more important to do than to ensure our needs are met. While they may appear relaxed and attentive, they are working diligently behind the scenes. Each one of these people, clergy, staff and their families manage to uphold the mission of the diocese and promote the spiritual and emotional well-being of its people; regardless of the challenges in their own lives.

What I try to do is to be there for clergy, staff and their families in whatever capacity they require. It can be as simple as just listening to a frustrated staffer or clergyperson/family member vent or to help someone find God in circumstances that are painful, confusing or just plain unfair. Those persons who wish to have the staff pray for them confidentially are invited to submit any and all requests. Please note, we also welcome good news to share with the rest of the community.

Keep in touch because you are highly valued.

Submitted by:
The Rev. Joanna White, chaplain

Chaplain of the Retired Clergy, Spouses of Retired Clergy and Surviving Spouses of Retired Clergy

This work supplements the pastoral work of the Bishop to the retired clergy and their families. Most of our retired clergy have congregations of their own but the Chaplain is called upon to minister to those not so connected or who are new to our diocese as well as those the bishop directs me to follow up on. Visits are made to all who are ill or hospitalized and their spouses and family members. I also attend most funerals of retired clergy.

This last year we had a change in our annual luncheon hosted by the bishop at our cathedral with a service of thanksgiving for our work. It was fairly well attended and greatly appreciated.

The Chaplain is also called upon to help secure financial assistance for retired clergy and their family members through the bishop and a special fund of the Church Pension Fund.

Church Pension Fund also provides information and continued training and support for diocesan chaplains through a meeting every three years and regional ones in the years between. This last year I attended one in Annapolis.

All this is aimed at providing some real pastoral care to all of our retired who our Church considers among its very important treasures.

Submitted by:
William Dunning, Chaplain

The Claggett Center

2018 was an exceptional year at the Claggett Center. There is so much to celebrate!

New Leadership: In May, Claggett welcomed new Co-executive Directors, Lisa Marie and James Ryder. The Ryders previously served at Camp McDowell in the Diocese of Alabama and at Camp Latgawa—a joint ministry of the United Methodist and Episcopal Churches in Oregon. Thank you to Norman Ross who served as Interim Executive Director in 2018 and until the Ryder's arrival.

Governance: Returning members of the Board of Trustees include: The Rev. Dina van Klaveren, chair; Douglas Campbell, vice chair; Mitchell Owens, treasurer; Maureen Suckling, secretary; The

Rev. Canon Scott Slater, bishop's representative; Karen Stewart, diocesan canon for finance; Doug Vaughan, Program and Budget representative; The Rev. Tom Hudson, Diocesan Council representative; David Mallery, chair emeritus; Buck Lyon Vaiden; and Ronnie Reno. New trustees nominated to the board (and pending convention approval) include: The Rev. Glenna Huber; Sandra (Sam) Alger; Barbara Miles; and Kathryn (Katie) Glover. Thank you to the Rev. Dion Thompson who resigned from the board faithfully in 2018.

Who We Served: Approximately 270 groups and over 10,500 individuals enjoyed the hospitality, programs, and amenities of the Claggett Center in 2018. Guests came from Frederick County, the Mid-Atlantic region, and nationally. Guests served represent the following categories: 9.8 percent Claggett programs, 18.5 percent Episcopalian, 24.4 percent other faith, 30.4 percent school/education, 15.6 percent community/non-profit/government, and 1.2 percent corporate.

Adult Programs Offered in 2018: Women's Weekend (Jan. 19-21), Men's Retreat (Feb. 2-4), Women's Retreat (Jan. 12-14), and Special Challenge Camp (July 28-Aug. 3).

Children & Youth Camps Offered in 2018: Senior High School Week (June 17-22), Middle School Week (June 24-29), and Youth Week (July 8-13).

Program Highlights: Claggett responded to program growth and demand by creating a new, full-time Programs Coordinator position and hiring Rita Yoe for the role. Special Challenge Camp celebrated its 40th anniversary of serving adults with developmental disabilities.

Submitted by:
James and Lisa Marie Ryder

Compensation and Benefits Committee

We reviewed and selected health plans for clergy and lay employees of the diocese. As none of the health plans offered previously in the Diocese of Maryland are being carried by the Church Insurance Group in 2019, all plans were new to the Diocese of Maryland. All health plan participants throughout the diocese successfully enrolled in new plans.

We reviewed compensation rates of supply clergy and raised them so as not to let them fall below the minimum wage. The increased rates are included in the compensation resolution to be presented at this convention.

We recommended to the Diocesan Council that a portion of the Health Insurance Reserve Fund (money left over from insurance premiums from the time the diocese was self-insured) be used to offset the medical trust health insurance premiums of lay retirees.

We approved housing allowances for 2019 for clergy employees of the Diocesan Center.

The officers' compensation for 2019 is as follows:

Bishop Diocesan: \$193,334.
Canon to the Ordinary: \$117,307.
Canon for Finance: \$113,102.

We are continuing to study clergy compensation, analyzing it by gender and race.

The 2019 Compensation Resolution includes information pertinent to clergy compensation including analysis of clergy compensation and addresses gender and race in compensation as well as appropriate compensation for newer clergy. The diocese is providing relevant training to every congregation in search of clergy relative to these issues.

Submitted by:
Ms. Anne Gross, chair

Development Office

What a year it's been!

In 2018, we aimed to improve our communications with the Bishop's Annual Ministries Appeal supporters and better raise awareness for the programs through regular social media contact. This year we are continuing to expand upon this by working with our ministry leaders to provide each ministry with its own page on the diocesan website. Over the past year, we have watched many of these ministries expand the reach of their programs, and we are incredibly proud and grateful for how our supporters rose to the challenge to help fund them: we nearly doubled our goal of \$100,000 raised during our 2018 Appeal. Through these ministries we have touched the lives of children of all ages, helped asylum seekers find freedom, provided visiting seafarers with basic needs, assisted with funding for the chaplaincy at Johns Hopkins Hospital, aided the efforts of racial reconciliation and our fight against poverty and injustice, and the list goes on...

The Sutton Scholars® High School Enrichment Program (see separate program report) is entering its fourth year. Since the inception of this program, we have raised almost \$700,000 through the committed support of individuals, congregations, foundations and corporations. Last June, a fundraiser at Sagamore Farms, hosted by Plank Family Foundation, and a concert by the Handel Choir of Baltimore, helped raise more than \$25,000 in funds and even more awareness. More recently, our program was selected as one of nine programs to receive funds through the Ravens Foundation's Social Justice Program. We are incredibly grateful for our new partnership with the Baltimore Ravens. The Sutton Scholars® Advisory Board is in its second year and consists of business and community leaders to assist with our efforts, including the CEO of The Plank Family Foundation, and executives of T. Rowe Price, Landers Charitable Trust, First National Bank, and the Baltimore Ravens.

Our Development Conference last year was a great success. Forty individuals came together and met with us at St. John's Ellicott City to learn how to run a successful capital campaign, solicit major gifts, increase stewardship, research foundations, and plan a legacy society through planned giving. This year, in response to a number of requests by congregations for more resources and information on grant-writing, we planned another workshop for March 23rd at St. John's Ellicott City, this time emphasizing grant-writing as our primary focus. We have also put out a call for volunteers with grant-writing experience to take part in a panel that will help congregations by reviewing and advising them through the writing process.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support of our diocese. It is with deep gratitude and your continued inspiration that we reach beyond our walls and into our communities making a true

difference in the lives of so many. Contact us at any time if we can be of assistance to you and your ministry.

Blessings in abundance.

Submitted by:
Kathy Grayson, Director of Development

Diocesan Council

The Diocesan Council met in May, September, and November of 2018, and February and April of 2019. Special thanks to the congregations that hosted our day-long meetings: St. Thomas', Towson; St. John's, Hagerstown; St. John's, Kingsville; St. Philip's, Annapolis, and Turf Valley Resort, Ellicott City.

Some highlights* of the Council's work over the past year follow below:

- Regularly reviewed financial statements with canon for finance, Karen Stewart's, excellent narrative descriptions and valued assistance from treasurer, Doug Vaughan; also approved the 2019 allocation formula with no change from 2018.
- The council-appointed Reparations Committee continued work on the topic of reconciliation and reparations in the Diocese of Maryland. The committee has created an educational program titled "Reparations, Repair & Restoration: How Racism Hurts Everyone" and this will be available beginning in Fall 2019.
- Unanimously approved the Program and Budget Committee's recommended 2019 diocesan budget. Passing the budget requires a quorum of three-quarters of the elected members.
- Approved the Sustainable Development Grants that awarded \$25,000 to grassroots organizations around the world that help the poor.
- Received regular reports about the significant and considerable work that Bishop Sutton, Assistant Bishop Knudsen, and Canon Slater accomplished diocesan-wide and beyond.
- Said a heartfelt and fond farewell to Assistant Bishop Knudsen prior to her retirement.

*A full summary of the council's work is on file in the bishops' office.

Diocesan Council Members for 2018-2019

Officers and Ex-Officio/Appointed Members

The Right Rev. Eugene Sutton, president
The Right Rev. Chilton Knudsen, assistant bishop
Ms. Kathleen Schotto, first vice president, Baltimore North '19
The Rev. Scott Slater, canon to the ordinary
Mr. Jeff Ayers, chancellor
Ms. Susan Beares, chair, Council Planning Team
Ms. Anne Gross, secretary
Ms. Vicki Willard, Program and Budget

Ms. Karen Stewart, canon for finance
Mr. Doug Vaughan, treasurer

Elected Members

The Rev. Garrett Carskadon, Convention '20
Ms. Karla Davis, Washington County '19
Ms. Everette, Convention '21
The Rev. Thomas Hudson, Convention '19
Ms. Sally Joyner Griffin, Frederick '19
Ms. Margo Landon, Convention '20
Mr. Herb Malveaux, Convention '20
Ms. Donna Martin, Western Maryland '19
The Rev. Jim Perra, Patapsco Valley '19
The Rev. Ken Phelps, Southern Maryland '21
Ms. Liz Pratt, Harford '21
Mr. John Repulski, Convention '21
Ms. Angela Seaton, Convention '19
The Rev. Travis Smith, Convention '21
Mr. Waymon Wright, Convention '19
The Rev. Corby Zeren, Anne Arundel '21

Boards and Committees that report to the Council include the following:

Claggett Board of Trustees
Compensation and Benefits Committee
Convention Nominating Committee
Convention Planning Committee
Council Planning Committee
Endowment Grants Committee
Financial Advisory Board
Financial Assistance to Congregations Committee
Sustainable Development Goals Grants Committee
Program and Budget Committee
Property Committee
Reparations Committee

Submitted by:
Kathleen Schotto, first vice president

Episcopal Chaplaincy to the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions

I provide sacramental and pastoral ministry to Episcopal and Anglican patients at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. On a given day, roughly one to two percent of the patients in the hospital are Anglican or Episcopalian. They come from near and far away. Sometimes their own clergy are able to visit them, but many times they are not. In 2018, my ministry connected me with patients from

38 Episcopal dioceses and seven provinces in the Anglican Communion, providing hundreds of patient contacts.

I also provide other ministry to Johns Hopkins as requested by the Department of Spiritual Care and Chaplaincy. Currently, I provide weekly on-call coverage and serve as the chaplain for the hospital's dual-diagnosis psychiatric unit, which serves patients who have a substance abuse disorder and a co-occurring mental health diagnosis. I have also been very involved with our departmental public health initiatives, providing training to local clergy and lay leaders in our Medical-Religious Partners Program and our Caring for the City Program.

In 2018, I was selected as an Episcopal Church Foundation Ministry Fellow. ECF granted the diocese \$15,000 to support public health ministry initiatives in the greater Baltimore area. Currently, we are working to create partnerships between Johns Hopkins and four congregations: Epiphany, Timonium, Holy Trinity, Essex, Resurrección, Baltimore, and St. Bartholomew's, Baltimore. I presented on our work together at this year's Consortium of Endowed Episcopal Parishes Conference.

Finally, as the Episcopal Chaplain, I participate in Johns Hopkins' Clinical Pastoral Education program as a supervisory education student. I co-supervise a new satellite program at Anne Arundel Medical Center in Annapolis. This program is greatly expanding access to Clinical Pastoral Education in central Maryland. I am scheduled to supervise another unit at AAMC in the fall.

Submitted by:
The Rev. Joshua Rodriguez-Hobbs, Chaplain at Johns Hopkins Hospital

The Maryland Episcopal Cursillo

The Maryland Episcopal Cursillo (MEC) held the 113th Cursillo Weekend, *"Our God Reigns!"* on November 8-11, 2018, at The Claggett Center. David Richardson, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Pasadena, served as lay rector for the weekend, and Shelly Collinson, Christ Episcopal Church, West River, served as assistant lay rector. The Right Rev. Eugene Taylor Sutton served as lead spiritual advisor, assisted by the Reverend Linda Fernandez, pastor at Bethany Lutheran Church, Brunswick, and the Rev. Bob Frederick, deacon at Christ the King, Woodlawn. Ten candidates attended the weekend, four from the Lutheran Church – a first for MEC!

Two Fourth Day Workshops were held during the year. A monthly Ultreya is held every third Friday beginning at 7:00 p.m. at St. Martin's-in-the-Field, Severna Park.

MEC continues to address the challenge of identifying clergy able to serve as spiritual advisors on the Cursillo Weekends. We invite clergy who have not yet attended a Cursillo Weekend to prayerfully consider doing so, and encourage clergy who are already Cursillistas to support a future Weekend.

Maryland Episcopal Cursillo Weekend 114 will be held April 26-28, 2019. Grace Crowder from Redeemer, Baltimore has been called to serve as the lay rector for the weekend. Weekend 115 will

be held November 8-10, 2019. For more information about the MEC, please visit MDEpiscopalCursillo.com or email MarylandEpiscopalCursillo@gmail.com

The Maryland Episcopal Cursillo Secretariat:

Lay Director - Brenda D. Boucher, MD 101

St. James', Lothian

Assistant Lay Director - Wamahdri Williams, MD 64

St. Martin's-in-the-Field, Severna Park

Treasurer - David Richardson, MD, 88

St. Andrew's, Pasadena

Southern Area Representative - Sandra Hall, MD 87

Christ Church, Port Republic

Central Area Representative - Christopher Werth, MD 87

St. Martin's-in-the-Field, Severna Park

Servant Community Leader - Shelly Collinson, MD 82

Christ Church, West River

Communications Coordinator - Pamela Blyth, MD 92

St. James', Lothian

Spiritual Advisor - The Rev. Joanna White, NY 21

Diocese of Maryland

Submitted by:
Pamela Blyth, MD 92, MEC Communications Coordinator

The Middendorf Revolving Fund Annual Report 2018

The Middendorf Revolving Fund was created in 1980 with a contribution of \$75,000 from the Trustees of the Middendorf Foundation. Increased by additional donations, receipts of loan interest, and investment gains, the funds available for future loans were \$2,583,298 at the end of 2018. Adding the total balance of outstanding loan receivables of \$2,234,779, the fund's total net worth was \$4,818,077 at the end of the reporting period.

Investments/Cash Management

The fund's assets are invested with the diocesan investment pool supervised and guided by the Investment Committee. The net overall result was a decrease of \$213,363 due to market losses at the end of the year. The cash balance at the end of the year was \$442,465.18 and the endowment balance was \$2,190,139.

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MIDDENDORF CASH FLOWS

2017

	Total Payment to Date		
Ascension Westminster	21,069.40		
Advent, Church of the	6,260.64		
All Hallows', Davidsonville	6,110.39		
All Saints, Frederick	92,982.81		
Cathedral of Incarnation	5,986.66		
Epiphany Odenton	6,100.60		
Grace Church Elkridge	31,510.96		
Church of the Good Shepherd	6,522.24	Cash Balance	442,465.18
Immanual, Glencoe	(149,609.36)		
Nativity, Cedar Croft	19,309.56	Endowment Balance	2,190,139.10
St. Andrew's, Glenwood	86,620.68		
St. Barnabas	(23,000.00)	Outstanding balances	2,328,599.37
St. James', Lafayette Sq.	11,845.71		
St. James Lothian	(83,873.44)	Total Value of Loan Fund	4,961,203.65
St. James', Parkton	7,461.60		
St. Mark's Lappans	13,310.35		
St. Matthews Oakland	-		
St. Philips', Annapolis	15,596.90		
Transfiguration	-		
Trinity Church - Long Green	23,239.40		
	-		
TOTAL RECEIVED	97,445.10		

Objectives

The fund was formed for the purpose of lending money to congregations within the Diocese of Maryland to assist them with construction, renovation, improvements, repairs, and purchase of real property. The board may loan between \$25,000 and \$400,000 to any congregation requesting funding. The length of term should be no longer than ten years with an amortization no longer than twenty years. The interest rate was set at three (3.0) percent in November of 2011 and remains the same at the date of this report. The board meets with the bishop on an annual basis to assess the changing needs of the Church and our congregations.

Status of Outstanding Loans

Listed below are the 18 outstanding loans totaling \$2,234,779 as of December 31, 2018. There are two construction loans in the interest only phase and one has made an additional withdrawal of

\$25,000 against their \$100,000 approved loan. \$70,236 in loan interest was received in the reporting period.

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	MIDDENDORF LOAN ACTIVITY - Amortized		
	2018		
	Loan Amount	Total Payment	Balance
	12/31/2017	to Date	Owed
Ascension Westminster	11,868.72	(11,868.72)	0.00
Church of the Advent	64,170.88	(6,260.64)	57,910.24
All Hallow s', Davidsonville	87,000.03	(4,460.15)	82,539.88
Cathedral of Incarnation	197,276.64	(26.68)	197,249.96
Epiphany, Odenton	96,294.12	(4,142.01)	92,152.11
Grace Church, Elkridge	343,333.48	(15,638.32)	327,695.16
Church of the Good Shepherd	65,659.44	(4,615.56)	61,043.88
Immanuel, Glencoe	152,055.65	(28,646.64)	123,409.01
Nativity, Cedar Croft	392,533.57	(15,274.27)	377,259.30
St. Andrew 's, Glenw ood	259,717.76	(87,172.84)	172,544.92
St. Barnabas	75,000.00	21,404.02	96,404.02
St. James', Lafayette Sq.	5,020.57	(5,027.00)	(6.43)
St.. James Lothian	84,305.08	(16,455.24)	67,849.84
St. James', Parkton	29,738.59	(6,660.53)	23,078.06
St. Mark's Lappins	235,226.77	(3,190.38)	232,036.39
St. Matthew s Oakland	72,000.00	-	72,000.00
St. Mary the Virgin		127,025.51	127,025.51
St. Philips', Annapolis	50,944.00	(13,293.89)	37,650.11
Transfiguration	1.27	-	1.27
Trinity Church - Long Green	106,452.80	(19,516.78)	86,936.02
TOTALS	2,328,599.37	(93,820.12)	2,234,779.25

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Reparations Committee

The Reparations Committee of the Diocesan Council designed an education workshop in response to the input from the five listening sessions with Bishop Sutton that were held 2016-2017.

Submitted by:
 Judy Wright and Waymon Wright, co-chairs

Small Church Movement

The Small Church Movement enters its fifth year with increasing recognition that the majority of congregations in the diocese and denomination have an average Sunday attendance (ASA) of 75 people or fewer. The Small Church Movement (SCM) seeks to bring together lay and clergy from all sized congregations to celebrate and support the thriving of small churches in their communities. The SCM has been influential in enlarging the conversation beyond ASA to include Average Weekly Impact (AWI), a metric that looks at the connections between a congregation and community.

In 2018 the SCM hosted a Spring Gathering (St. Hilda's, Catonsville) and a Fall Gathering (Transfiguration, Braddock Heights) attended by more than 100 people from throughout the diocese and other denominations. In addition to celebrating ministry, gatherings offer an opportunity for networking, identifying common challenges, and constructive problem solving.

The SCM began the development of the Alongsiders Ministry. Many congregations are so involved in immediate ministry that there is little time for strategic reflection. Also, there can be challenging questions asked as part of a reflective process, and it can be more comfortable to simply stay busy. The purpose of the Alongsiders is to provide a team of people from outside the congregation to pray, question, reflect and support congregations.

Rationale: There are more similarities among congregations than differences. Having a non-anxious, objective team of people available to a congregation can help with framing questions, reflecting successes and challenges, and thinking through a process rather than just being reactive.

Alongsiders: Are trained facilitators (lay and clergy) with small church experience who are thoughtful about resources available within the diocese and able to provide prayerful, intelligent support to congregations in intentional discernment seeking to respond to a changing Church in a changing world. Interested individuals may apply or may be recruited. For lay members vestry experience is helpful. A core characteristic of all participants is keeping confidentiality. Alongsiders need to be: sensitive to asking and listening to hard questions, creative about ways in which congregations can be vibrant and thrive, expert at forming partnerships, and available for more than a single visit. In not passing judgment on congregations, Alongsiders do not bring an agenda to the conversations, but rather seek to help participants claim their own— to help congregations move to fulfill their ministry and mission (even when that means concluding ministry).

Alongsiders will have a rigorous training process. The goal is to have teams of Alongsiders for each region of the diocese by the end of 2019.

Submitted by:
The Rev. Mary Eliot

Standing Committee

The Standing Committee is the diocesan body of lay and clergy elected by the annual Diocesan Convention and authorized by the Canons of the Episcopal Church as the bishop's council of advice. If there is no bishop canonically authorized to act, the Standing Committee becomes the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese for all purposes declared by General Convention.

The major function of the Standing Committee is to ensure that organizational rules and requirements are adhered to, and that decisions are not made arbitrarily but instead are based on a careful consideration of all relevant facts.

As part of the Standing Committee's commitment to take a leadership role in working with congregations that are struggling, several members attended vestry meetings to discuss long-term viability operations.

The Standing Committee also approves the ordination of priests and deacons, approves the consecration of bishops and the sale or fiscal encumbrances of real property of the diocese and of its congregations. As part of the ordination approval process, a member of the Standing Committee has been appointed to serve as liaison to the Commission on Ministry.

During the period of April 2018 through February 2019, the work of the Standing Committee included, but was not limited to the following actions:

Consents for Dioceses

- To the election of the Rev. Mark Andrew Cowell as bishop diocesan of the Diocese of Western Kansas
- To the election of the Rev. Canon Kevin D. Nicols as bishop diocesan of the Diocese of Bethlehem
- To the election of the Rev. Canon Michael Buerkel Hunn as bishop diocesan of the Diocese of Rio Grande
- To the election of the Rev. Carlye J. Hughes as bishop diocesan of the Diocese of Newark
- To the election of a bishop suffragan for the Diocese of Texas
- To the election of the Rev. Dr. Cathleen Chittenden Bascom as bishop diocesan of the Diocese of Kansas
- To the election of the Rev. Jennifer Anne Reddall as bishop diocesan of the Diocese of Arizona
- To the election of the Rev. Kimberly D. Lucas as bishop diocesan of the Diocese of Colorado
- To the election of the Rev. Mark D. W. Edington as bishop in charge of the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe
- To the election of Rvdo. Canon Cristóbal Olmedo León Lozano as bishop diocesan of the Diocese of Ecuador Litoral
- To the election of the Rev. Phoebe Roaf as bishop diocesan in the Diocese of West Tennessee

Non-consent for Diocese

- To the election of the Very Rev. Joseph Lerwin Delicat as bishop coadjutor of the Diocese of Haiti

Consents for Ordination

- Elizabeth Siciliano – to the diaconate
- Paula Waite – to the diaconate
- Lisa Ashley Bornt – to the priesthood
- Robert Monroe Bunker – to the priesthood
- Taylor Darlington Danes – to the priesthood
- Leonard Scott Lipscomb – to the priesthood
- Patti Luann Sachs – to the priesthood
- Joseph Zollickoffer – to the transitional diaconate
- Benita Kenne-Johnson – to the transitional diaconate
- Susan Wert – to the diaconate

Property

- Consent given for the leasing of the entire second floor of St. Paul's Parish House at 309 Cathedral Street property at 6112 York Road with EventRebels, Inc.
- Consent given for St. John's, Ellicott City, to sell the property at 3501 North Chatham Road.
- Consent given to St. Michael & All Angels, Baltimore, to redeem the ground rent for 1438 Marshall Street, Baltimore.
- Consent given to St. Bartholomew's, Baltimore, of the sale of a rental property, which was not contiguous to the main church property and not used for church program purposes.
- Consent given for St. Christopher's, Linthicum Heights to renew the lease accessing the cell tower on the church property for three years.
- Consent given for a lease for Khumi Congregation at St. Hilda's Church, 200 Ingleside Ave., Catonsville.
- Notice was given to the Standing Committee of the purchase of 2.2 acres of undeveloped property behind and adjacent to the Brick Church property on Solomons Island Road, Edgewater, MD by All Hallows Parish.
- Approved the closing of St. George's Church, Spesutia Parish, Perryman.
- Consent given to a one-year lease extension for New Hope Church at St. Hilda's Church, 200 Ingleside Ave., Catonsville.

Submitted by:
The Rev. Natalie Conway, president

Sutton Scholars High School Enrichment Program

In 2018, 23 new scholars were recruited from 11 Baltimore City Middle Schools, joining 59 continuing scholars from the 2016 and 2017 classes. Of the 82 enrolled, 80 completed the five-week summer session. Our 2019 summer program will bring us to a full 120 scholars, in which we will have youth representing all high school grades, 9-12.

Programmatically, the enhancements reported last year, YouthWorks Baltimore and a week long program at the Claggett Center continue to be essential aspects of the summer program. Almost 80% of the scholars who qualified for YouthWorks were engaged in job training assignments. YouthWorks continues to be a critical component of the summer enrichment program as many of

our scholars, because of economic conditions, must choose between either summer employment or program participation. The Sutton Scholars YouthWorks program is only one of a handful of official designated work sites in Baltimore that allows for our youth to receive a stipend while fully participating in the summer program. Goals for the upcoming year include developing a job incubation program that allows the 11th and 12th graders opportunity to learn actual job skills to further their participation in YouthWorks, and life skills. The Claggett Center team building activities not only challenge the youth to put their critical thinking skills to use, but also provide them with an opportunity to experience the outdoors in a relaxing and fun way. The scholars thoroughly enjoy their time at the Claggett Center.

This year, there has been an emphasis on administrative capacity building in order to strengthen and expand the year-round aspects of the program. Our new Canon for Mission who oversees the Sutton Scholars program, her main focus has been on assessing and evaluating the overall program. One of the main areas of focus has been to look at ways of improving the program's mentoring dimension. As a result, we have entered into an agreement with Ananizach LLC, a consulting firm that specializes in mentoring programs and which will provide additional assistance to Neva Brown, the Director of Community Engagement and Mentoring, in identifying and recruiting the highest quality mentors, will provide training and programming, and will assist in the on-going evaluation of our mentoring services. Ananizach LLC has already assisted us in developing both a parent/mentor Manual and a programmatic manual. Additionally, The Rev. Dr. Joseph Stewart-Sicking, a priest of the diocese and a professor of organizational psychology at Loyola University, has been engaged to undertake and systematize the evaluation and improvement processes and to examine program practices and performance measures in order to recommend improvements in data collection and reporting.

Finally, as we prepare for the 2019 program year, we have made substantial improvements to our freshman recruiting process. The application format and corresponding on-line portal have been revised and updated, which now allows all of our new and returning scholars and mentors to access required forms. These improvements provide not only our new recruits and their parents with a seamless method of submitting information, but also provide returning scholars and their parents with an easier method of updating and providing requested information.

We remain grateful for all of the support that has been given, through prayers and donations, in order to help further the goals of the program. The impact of this program on the lives of the youth we serve would not be possible without all of you taking the journey alongside us and we look forward with joyful anticipation to the journey that lies ahead.

Submitted by:
The Rev. Canon Christine L. McCloud
Canon for Mission

Treasurer

The Diocese of Maryland ended the year 2018 with a total revenue on a cash basis of \$4.5 million. Congregational allocations make up 73 percent of our total revenue. As of December 31, 2018 we

received 99 percent of the total anticipated congregational allocations revenue, leaving an outstanding balance of \$253,129 or seven percent of total allocations in 2018.

In the years 2017 and 2016, the outstanding balance was \$230,516 and \$361,020 respectively. We also received \$211,867 from congregations for their 2017 congregational allocations payment plans, making the total amount of the 2018 congregational allocations \$3,668,373 or 99 percent of budgeted allocations receipts.

Our total expenses were \$5.0 million. In general, the overall expenses are within an acceptable range in accordance with budget performance. Total expenditures were at 98 percent by December 31, 2018. We ended the year with a shortfall of (\$45,191). In the years 2017 and 2016, the short fall was (\$127,240) and (\$74,476) respectively.

Other Financial Highlights For 2018

- Congregational allocations made up 73 percent of our total revenue received in 2018.
- In 2018 we budgeted the use of 4.5 percent of the three year rolling average of investments set aside for use in our ministry. The investment pool for this use contains both restricted and unrestricted funds. The total budgeted available amount was \$545,900. This amount is not indicative of our total unrestricted endowments.
- We received and utilized \$641,600 of restricted funds. This money accounts for 13 percent of our total revenue.
- Our fund raising effort, the Bishop's Annual Ministries Appeal, has brought in \$165,237 for budgeted items in 2019. This amount does not include the funds donated to the Claggett Center because they have a separate budget.
- We utilized our funds efficiently, spending 97 percent on direct ministry, while spending only three percent of the revenue for administration and fund raising.
- In 2018, thirteen cents of every dollar contributed through your congregational allocations was sent to the Domestic Foreign Missionary Society (DFMS). We sent \$491,277 aid in ministries around the world.
- By canon, we are charged with presenting a balanced budget. Our 2019 narrative budget is posted on our website.

Investments

The Investment Committee manages the diocesan endowment fund under its trust in addition to monies that diocesan congregations have entrusted to us for management. As of December 31, 2018, the market value of the entire portfolio managed by the Investment Committee was \$30,119,110. One year earlier the portfolio's market value was \$33,741,740. The decline in market value during 2018 reflected withdrawals of \$1,200,000, and the adverse market conditions as set forth below. It is interesting to note that in 2002, the portfolio had a market value of \$18,600,000.

At the close of 2018, the portfolio consisted of three investment pools with the following values:

Active Long Term Balanced Fund	\$ 19,842,860
Passive Long Term Balanced Fund	\$ 6,949,620
Socially Responsible Balanced Fund	<u>\$ 3,326,630</u>

\$ 30,119,110

The Socially Responsible Balanced Fund is designed to be invested in community development, support socially responsible corporations, and help our investments be used in work toward the greater good. Congregations are welcomed and encouraged to participate in this fund, as well as to invest in other areas of our portfolio. For more information, please contact the business office at the Diocesan Center.

In 2018 the broad domestic and international equity markets delivered negative single and negative double digit returns, respectively, and domestic fixed income broadly delivered flat returns. This was reflected in a negative annual return of -7.11 percent for the total Endowment Fund. With respect to each of the three separate investment pools in the Endowment Fund, the 2018 annual returns were -8.59 percent for the Active Long Term Balanced Fund, -5.22 percent for the Passive Long Term Balanced Fund and -1.40 percent for the Socially Responsible Balanced Fund.

The J.K. Meek Group at Graystone Consulting, which is part of Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC, has served as our consultant since July of 2011. Graystone provides investment advice for the Active Long Term Balanced Fund, assists in the development and review of our overall Investment Policy Statement, provides quarterly investment performance reporting for all three investment pools, makes recommendations for hiring and terminating investment managers (as of close of 2018 the portfolio was utilizing 20 separate investment managers), and makes recommendations for periodic rebalancing among asset classes to stay within overall asset allocation guidelines.

During 2018, the Investment Committee met quarterly to review the results and strategies of the various investment managers. I am grateful to the Investment Committee members who offered their time and effort in providing oversight and counsel regarding the activities of the portfolio.

2018 Audit

The audit of our 2018 financial statements was completed on March 28, 2019 by the auditing firm Gross Mendelsohn, Certified Public Accountants. The audited financial statement contains the consolidated financial results of the four departments that make up the legal structure of the Diocese of Maryland: Diocese of Maryland, Middendorf Board of Trustees, the Claggett Center and Sutton Scholars. We received a clean audit opinion on the combined audited financial reports. The full results of the audit were delivered to the Financial Advisory Board at their March meeting and will be delivered to the Diocesan Council at their April meeting. The audited financial statement can also be found on our website.

I wish to thank Karen Stewart, canon for finance, and the business office staff for their hard work and long hours invested in this task while continuing their normal day-to-day operations.

The year ahead....

I would like to thank every congregation that paid their allocation on or before December 31, 2018. These pledge payments bring God's ministry forward across the world. This shared ministry reflects the fact that the Diocese of Maryland is comprised of 110 worshipping communities. Also I would like to thank those congregations who sent in their 2018 parochial report on or before the March 1st deadline.

Further, I would like to thank all the volunteers who served on all our boards and committees including but not limited to the Claggett Board of Trustees, Diocesan Council, Financial Advisory Board, Investment Committee, Program and Budget Committee, Property Committee, and the Standing Committee. We could not manage our affairs without the help of these volunteers.

We had a good year although we continue to be financially challenged. It is clear to me that we are one Church with one focus on partnering through mission and ministry.

We continue to encourage and follow good stewardship practices utilizing all funds raised to benefit ministry and missions of our Church in the Diocese of Maryland, The Episcopal Church, and the world.

The business office is a shared resource for each congregation, so please feel free to call if you have any questions or concerns. Transparency of financial activities is very important because we all have a part in ensuring stewardship and ministry fulfillment.

Submitted by:
Douglas E. Vaughan, Diocesan Treasurer

Truth and Reconciliation Commission

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) continues to work for justice, peace, and enlightenment as it pertains to past, present, and future concerns around race. The residual effects of slavery still impact our churches, communities, and places of employment. The Commission carries out its work through subcommittees and working groups.

Transitions

This year the TRC said goodbye to its Co-Chair and inspiration, Mrs. Mary Miller of St. James Lafayette Square. She was a force for anti-racism work in this Diocese and throughout the whole Episcopal Church and we give thanks for her legacy among us. The TRC also welcomed in two new co-chairs this year, Ms. Heather Neil (St. Bartholomew's) and The Rev. Grey Maggiano (Memorial). We give special thanks to the outgoing chair, Rev. Jane Mayrer for her dedicated service to this commission and to our diocese.

Anti-Racism Training

Seeing the Face of God in Each Other is an anti-racism workshop developed by The Episcopal Church and required for all clergy; vestries; parish officers, committee members, and lay leaders; and members of diocesan council, committees, commissions, agencies and boards, and lay employees. Since 2010, more than 650 people have completed this training. While the training remains effective, it is showing its age and the TRC have agreed to work with the Canon for Mission and the bishop to update and amplify the effectiveness of the training.

Research and Pilgrimage

The research and pilgrimage working group is responsible for the *Trail of Souls: A Pilgrimage Toward Truth and Reconciliation* (www.trailofsouls.org) which was launched on All Souls' Day 2014 to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the abolition of slavery in Maryland. This group

encourages and supports Episcopal churches and schools in the diocese in their search for the truth of their history of slavery and its legacies, and works towards reconciliation. Currently, 26 churches are included on the trail of souls. However we encourage every church in the Diocese to begin to research their own churches' history of supporting the legacy of slavery.

In 2018 a small event was held on All Saints weekend to continue to raise awareness of our collective responsibility for the sin of slavery in Maryland. A third Trail of Souls pilgrimage is being planned for 2020.

Juneteenth

The Commission has been working to organize a 'Juneteenth' Celebration this year in our diocese, to commemorate the liberation of the last slaves freed in the United States on June 19, 1865. This year we will celebrate this important occasion with a prayer service and lunch at The Cathedral of the Incarnation at 11:00 AM on Saturday, June 22.

Reparations

The TRC has also been assisting the Sub-Committee on Reparations in studying in-depth the history of the Diocese, the Bishops and the Cathedral in supporting and continuing the legacy of slavery here in Maryland.

FAQ - 'What IS the Legacy of Slavery?': When we talk about slavery in the U.S. many people assume this happened a long time ago and that it no longer impacts the day to day lives of individuals. For this reason, we focus on "The Legacy of Slavery" - to acknowledge the repeated efforts from 1865 on to continue to keep black people in this country less educated, less wealthy, less connected and subservient to the dominant white voices in society. These include (but are not limited to): Jim Crow, segregation, separate but equal schools, red-lining, 'white flight' and our current penal incarceration system.

Submitted by:
The Rev. Grey Maggiano, Co-Chair

Confirm Constitutional Amendments of General Convention 2018

Amend Article X (resolution A063)

The Book of Common Prayer, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses of this Church. No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one regular meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding regular meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a vote by orders in the House of Deputies in accordance with Article I, Sec. 5, except that concurrence by the orders shall require the affirmative vote in each order by a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies. But notwithstanding anything herein above contained, the General Convention may at any one meeting, by a majority of the whole

number of the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders as previously set forth in this Article:

(a) Amend the Table of Lessons and all Tables and Rubrics relating to the Psalms.

(b) Authorize for trial use throughout this Church, as an alternative at any time or times to the established Book of Common Prayer or to any section or Office thereof, a proposed revision of the whole Book or of any portion thereof, duly undertaken by the General Convention.

(c) Authorize for use throughout this Church, as provided by Canon, alternative and additional liturgies to supplement those provided in the Book of Common Prayer.

And Provided that nothing in this Article shall be construed as restricting the authority of the Bishops of this Church to take such order as may be permitted by the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer or by the Canons of the General Convention for the use of special forms of worship.

Amend Articles VI and VIII regarding Full Communion (Resolution A089)

ARTICLE VI

Sec. 1. The House of Bishops may establish a Mission in any area not included within the boundaries of any Diocese of this Church or of any Church in *full* communion with this Church, and elect or appoint a Bishop therefor.

ARTICLE VIII

No person shall be ordered Priest or Deacon to minister in this Church until the person shall have been examined by the Bishop and two (2) Priests and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No person shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon to minister in this Church, unless at the time, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, the person shall subscribe and make the following declaration:

I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Episcopal Church.

Provided, however, that any person consecrated a Bishop to minister in any Diocese of an autonomous Church or Province of a Church in *full* communion with this Church may, instead of the foregoing declaration, make the promises of Conformity required by the Church in which the Bishop is to minister.

If any Bishop ordains a Priest or Deacon to minister elsewhere than in this Church, or confers ordination as Priest or Deacon upon a Christian minister who has not received Episcopal Ordination, the Bishop shall do so only in accordance with such provisions as shall be set forth in the Canons of this Church.

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop, or by a Bishop not in *full* communion with this Church, shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church until the person shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided and also shall have subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

A Bishop may permit an ordained minister in good standing in a church with which this Church is in *full* communion as specified by the Canons who has made the foregoing declaration, or a minister ordained in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America or its predecessor bodies who has made the promise of conformity required by that Church in place of the foregoing declaration to officiate on a temporary basis as an ordained minister of this church. No minister of such a Church ordained by other than a Bishop, apart from any such ministers designated as part of the Covenant or Instrument by which full communion was established, shall be eligible to officiate under this Article.

Amend Article IX to change Removal to Admonition (Resolution A122)

The General Convention may, by Canon, establish one or more Courts for the Trial of Bishops.

Presbyters and Deacons canonically resident in a Diocese shall be tried by a Court instituted by the Convention thereof; Presbyters and Deacons canonically resident in a Missionary Diocese shall be tried according to Canons adopted by the Bishop and Convocation thereof, with the approval of the House of Bishops; provided that the General Convention in each case may prescribe by Canon for a change of venue.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish or may provide for the establishment of Courts of Review of the determination of diocesan or other trial Courts

The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, solely for the review of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of Doctrine, Faith, or Worship.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of *admonition*, or suspension, ~~or removal~~ or deposition from the Ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon; and none but a Bishop shall admonish any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease. A sentence of suspension may be remitted in such manner as may be provided by Canon.

Amend Article I.2 (Resolution A150)

1. *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article I, Section 2 of the Constitution is hereby amended to read as follows:
2. Article I
3. Sec. 2. Each Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, every *Bishop* Suffragan ~~Bishop~~, every Assistant Bishop, and every Bishop who by reason of advanced age or bodily infirmity, or who, under an election to an office created by the

General Convention, or for reasons of mission strategy determined by action of the General Convention or the House of Bishops, has resigned a jurisdiction, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Bishops who have resigned their jurisdiction or positions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. *Bishops who exercise or have jurisdiction are those who exercise ecclesiastical authority in a diocese or other jurisdiction of this Church.*

Amend Article I.4-8 (Resolution A151)

Sec. 4. It shall be lawful for a Diocese, at the request of the Bishop of that Diocese, to elect not more than two ~~Suffragan~~ Bishops *Suffragan*, without right of succession, and with seat and vote in the House of Bishops. A ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* shall be consecrated and hold office under such conditions and limitations other than those provided in this Article as may be provided by Canons of the General Convention. A ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* shall be eligible for election as Bishop *Diocesan* or Bishop Coadjutor of a Diocese, or as a *Bishop Suffragan* in another Diocese.

Sec. 5. It shall be lawful for a Diocese to prescribe by the Constitution and Canons of such Diocese that upon the death, *removal or deposition* of the Bishop *or if the Bishop resigns, or is removed from office pursuant to Canon III.12.12(7)*, a ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* of that Diocese may be placed in charge of such Diocese and become temporarily the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof *serving as the Bishop Diocesan Pro Tempore* until such time as a new Bishop shall be chosen and consecrated; or that during the disability or absence of the Bishop, a Bishop *Suffragan* of that Diocese may be placed in charge of such diocese and become temporarily the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof *serving as the Bishop Diocesan Pro Tempore of the Diocese*.

Sec. 6. A Bishop may not resign jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

Sec. 7. It shall be lawful for the House of Bishops to elect a ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* who, under the direction of the Presiding Bishop, shall be in charge of the work of those chaplains in the Armed Forces of the United States, Veterans' Administration Medical Centers, and Federal Correctional Institutions who are ordained Ministers of this Church. The ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* so elected shall be consecrated and hold office under such conditions and limitations other than those provided in this Article as may be provided by Canons of the General Convention. The ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* shall be eligible for election as Bishop *Diocesan*, or Bishop Coadjutor or ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* of a Diocese.

Sec. 8. A Bishop *Diocesan* or Coadjutor who has ~~for at least five years next preceding exercised jurisdiction as the Ordinary~~, *served as the Bishop Diocesan* or as the Bishop Coadjutor, of a Diocese *for any period of time*, may be elected as Bishop *Diocesan*, Bishop Coadjutor, or ~~Suffragan~~ Bishop *Suffragan* of another Diocese *only if five or more years have passed since the Bishop first served as Bishop Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese in which the Bishop is currently or last served as Bishop Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor*. Before acceptance of such election a resignation of jurisdiction in the Diocese in which the Bishop is then serving, conditioned on the required consents of the Bishops and Standing Committees of the Church to such election, shall be submitted to the House of Bishops, and also, if the Bishop be a Bishop Coadjutor, a renunciation of the right of succession. Such resignation, and renunciation of the right of succession in the case of a Bishop Coadjutor, shall require the consent of the House of Bishops.

Amend Article III (Resolution A152)

Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due application therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Presiding Bishop; under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. Bishops so consecrated shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan or of Bishop Coadjutor of any Diocese in the United States or be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary Diocese of this Church, unless requested so to do by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof. If a Bishop so consecrated shall be subsequently duly elected as a Bishop of a Missionary Diocese of this Church, such election shall then confer all the rights and privileges given in the ~~Canon~~ *Canons* to such Bishops.

Amend Article IV (Resolution A153)

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be elected by the Convention thereof, except that provision for filling vacancies between meetings of the Convention may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Standing Committee shall be the Bishop's Council of Advice. If there be no Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor or *Bishop Suffragan* ~~Bishop~~ canonically authorized to act, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for all purposes declared by the General Convention. The rights and duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

Amend Article V (Resolution A154)

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon I.13.3(a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3 (a) Where Parish boundaries are not defined by law, or settled by ~~Diocesan Authority~~ *action of the Convention of the Diocese* under Section 2 of this Canon, or are not otherwise settled, they shall be defined by the civil divisions of the State as follows:

Amend Article IX (Resolution A183)

The General Convention may, by Canon, establish one or more Courts for the Trial of Bishops.

Presbyters and Deacons ~~canonically resident in a Diocese~~ shall be tried by a Court instituted by the General Convention ~~by Canon. thereof. Presbyters and Deacons canonically resident in a Missionary Diocese shall be tried according to Canons adopted by the Bishop and Convocation thereof, with the approval of the House of Bishops; provided that the General Convention in each case may prescribe by Canon for a change of venue.~~

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish or may provide for the establishment of Courts of Review of the determination of diocesan or other trial Courts.

The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, solely for the review of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of Doctrine, Faith, or Worship.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of suspension, or removal, or deposition from the Ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon; and none but a Bishop shall admonish any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease. A sentence of suspension may be remitted in such manner as may be provided by Canon.

THE 234th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF MARYLAND

Minutes of the Convention

Friday, May 11, 2018

The 234th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Maryland was held at Turf Valley Resort, Ellicott City, Maryland, May 11-12, 2018.

At 10:00 AM the celebration of Holy Eucharist, Rite II, began. The propers were Acts 10:44-48; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17. The celebrants were the Right Rev. Eugene Taylor Sutton, bishop of Maryland and the Right Rev. Chilton R. Knudsen, assistant bishop of Maryland. Bishop LaTrelle Miller Easterling, of the Baltimore-Washington Conference of The United Methodist Church (UMC), delivered the sermon. The service also included the installation and vesting of the new Archdeacon, the Ven. Ruth Elder. *For audio, visit www.episcopaldiocese.com*

Following the Eucharist the room was reset for the business meeting. Bishop Sutton called the convention to order at 11:40 AM. He welcomed everyone to the 234th annual convention of the Diocese of Maryland, and read the opening prayer:

O Lord our God, look with favor upon your pilgrim people in the Diocese of Maryland. Help our lay ministers, deacons, priests, and bishops lead lives worthy of the calling to which we have been called, with all humility, gentleness, and patience. May our life together be infused by the grace of truth and the spirit of reconciliation; in times of celebration may we freely rejoice, and in times of distress may we listen to and forgive one another in love, always eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Open our hearts to receive the Living Christ in our midst; may we never tire to seek him in prayer and action, and in works of mercy and justice throughout the world. This we pray in the name of Jesus our Savior. Amen.

In accordance with the parliamentary process set out for convention, the Rev. Eric Zile, chair of the Committee on Rights to Seat, reported that **a quorum was certified, registered and present:** 118 lay delegates; 136 clerical delegates at 11:00 AM.

The Convention adopted the proposed **agenda** by voice vote.

Friday, May 11, 2018

10:00 AM	Convention Eucharist – Grand Ballroom
11:30 AM	Opening Business Session – Grand Ballroom Election of secretary, appointments approved Report from Nominating Committee Casting of first ballot
12:00 PM	Break
12:30 PM	Buffet Lunch – Grand Ballroom
1:15 PM	Business Session – Grand Ballroom Keynote by the Right Rev. Scott Mayer Report of first ballot Casting of second ballot UTO presentation
2:30 PM	Break
3:00 PM	Business Session – Grand Ballroom Reporting of second ballot Casting of third ballot (if necessary) Report of the Resolutions Committee Resolution discussion in small groups Reporting back of small group discussion
4:15 PM	Break
4:30 PM	Workshops
5:45 PM	Break
6:30-8:00 PM	Anniversary Banquet

Saturday, May 12, 2018

9:00 AM	Morning Prayer – Grand Ballroom United Thank Offering Ingathering
9:30 AM	Business Session Bishop's Address Small group discussion on theme
10:30 AM	Break
10:45 AM	Business Session Treasurer's Report Questions related to other reports Resolution debate
12:00 noon	Buffet Lunch – Grand Ballroom Postulants Lunch with Bishop Knudsen—Ellicott Room (downstairs)
1:00 PM	Business Session Assistant Bishop's Address Resolution debate

Courtesy resolutions
Other business
3:00 PM Adjournment

Bishop Sutton moved the nomination of the Rev. Anne O. Weatherholt, rector of St. Mark's Church, Lappans, to be the secretary of convention and the Rev. Joanna White and the Rev. Canon Scott Slater to be the assistant secretaries of convention. No other nominations were offered and the nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

The bishop then called for the ratification of the following nominations and appointments:

APPOINTMENTS BY THE BISHOP OF MARYLAND ratified by convention:

Diocesan Chancellor and Parliamentarian: Mr. Jeffrey Ayres, Esq.

Dispatcher of Business: The Rev. Canon Scott Slater

Chief Teller: Ms. Susan Beares

Sergeant of Arms: Ms. Kate Riley

Archivist: Ms. Mary O. Klein

Historiographer: Ms. Rebecca Thayer

Compensation and Benefits Committee: The Rev. Annette Chappell, Ms. Anne Gross, the Rev. M. Dion Thompson

After a second, **all were ratified** by voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE BISHOP to be confirmed by convention:

Committee on Canons and Other Business:

The Rev. Joe Cochran

The Rev. Tom Culbertson

Ms. Betsy Huttar

Mr. Jim Winn

Mr. Jeffrey Ayres, Esq.

Mr. Ronald Reno

Middendorf Revolving Fund:

The Rev. Mimi Mathews

The Rev. Bruce McPherson

Mr. Cleveland Miller (chair)

Mr. Ronnie Reno

Mr. S. Stevens Sands, Jr.

Mr. Walter Schamu

Ms. Karen Kinnamont Stewart

Mr. Doug Vaughan

After a second, **all were confirmed** by voice vote.

Commission on Ministry:

Mr. Martin Austin

Ms. Kathy Boyer

The Rev. Randy Callender

The Rev. Joe Cochran (co-chair)

Ms. Mary DeKuyper

The Rev. Monique Ellison

The Rev. Diane Fadely

The Rev. John Hayes

Ms. Kari-Ann Lynne (co-chair)

Ms. Louise Miller

The Rev. Jane O'Leary

Mr. Carol Owens

The Rev. Anjel Scarborough
The Rev. Eric Zile

The Rev. Mary Luck Stanley

Ex officio:

The Right Rev. Eugene Taylor Sutton, bishop
The Right Rev. Chilton R. Knudsen, assistant bishop
Mr. Jeffrey Ayres, Esq., chancellor
Dr. Steven Fowl, chair, Board of Examining Chaplains
The Rev. Canon Stuart Wright, canon for transitions
Ms. Dawn M. Kline, diocesan staff assistant

Claggett Center Board of Trustees:

Mr. Doug Campbell	The Rev. Thomas Hudson
Mr. William Lyon-Vaiden	Mr. David Mallery (chair)
Mr. Mitch Owens	Mr. Ronald Reno
The Rev. Canon Scott Slater	Ms. Karen Kinnamont Stewart
Ms. Maureen Suckling	The Rev. M. Dion Thompson
Mr. Douglas Vaughan	The Rev. Dina van Klaveren

After a second, **all were elected** by voice vote.

NOMINATED BY DIOCESAN COUNCIL to be elected by convention:

Treasurer: Mr. Doug Vaughan

Assistant Treasurer: Ms. Karen Kinnamont Stewart

Auditors: Gross Mendelsohn Accounting and Management Advisors

Investment Committee:

Mr. Peter Austin	The Rev. Charles Barton
Mr. Fred Hopkins (chair)	Mr. Charles W. Johnson
Mr. Joe Lynaugh	Mr. S. Stevens Sands, Jr.
Mr. Eric Schopf	Ms. Karen Kinnamont Stewart
Mr. Doug Vaughan	

After a second, **all were elected** by voice vote.

The Bishop then invited the Rev. Eric Zile, rector of Holy Trinity, Essex, and chair of the Committee of Rights to Seat to address the convention.

Report from the Committee on the Rights to Seat:

The Rev. Eric Zile, chair, reported that Redemption, Baltimore, and Resurrection, Copley Parish, have not yet completed or submitted their 2017 parochial reports, and are therefore not entitled to seat, voice, or vote, according to Article 2 of our constitution.

The Rev. Eric Zile, chair, then reported that the following congregations were in arrears of their 2017 allocation payments: Christ Church, Rock Spring; Redemption, Baltimore; St. James', Baltimore; St Matthew's, Oakland; and St. Paul's, Prince Frederick.

The chair then moved a **courtesy resolution** to give seat, voice, and vote to the following delegations whose congregations have made arrangements for a payment plan that has been approved by the diocese: Christ Church, Rock Spring; St. James', Baltimore; St. Matthew's, Oakland and St Paul's, Prince Frederick. An amendment to the motion was offered and seconded to give voice and vote to all churches listed, including those who had not filed their parochial reports. The amendment was defeated. The original motion was seconded and **passed** by voice vote.

Bishop Sutton thanked the members of the Convention Planning Team, led by the co-chairs: Ms. Kathleen Schotto, St. Mark's on-the-Hill, Pikesville, and the Rev. Eddie Blue, Ascension, Westminster, for their hard work. The Bishop announced that this would be Kathleen Schotto's last year as co-chair and thanked her for her leadership. The convention applauded.

The Rev. Eric Zile then moved a **courtesy resolution** to give seat and voice, but no vote, to clergy who are serving in the Diocese of Maryland but are not canonically resident. The motion was seconded and **passed** by voice vote.

The Bishop then called upon the secretary, the Rev. Anne O. Weatherholt, to report the names of clergy who have been absent without an excuse from the past two conventions, in accordance with diocesan canon 1-220. There were none to report.

Report of the Nominating Committee:

The Rev. Timothy Grayson, rector of Messiah, Baltimore, and member of the Nominating Committee, presented the nominees whose names were printed in the 2018 Convention Journal Part B. The bishop called for nominations from the floor. No nominations were added. The motion was seconded and **passed** by voice vote.

Bishop Sutton moved, according to Rule of Order #18, that nominees running opposed be elected unanimously and that the secretary be directed to cast a single ballot for their election. The motion was seconded and **approved** by voice vote.

The following were elected:

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS COMMITTEE (until 2021)

Cleric: The Rev. James Perra

DIOCESAN COUNCIL MEMBERS AT LARGE (until 2021)

Cleric: The Rev. Travis Smith

STANDING COMMITTEE (until 2022)

Lay: Mr. David Boyce

The Bishop then thanked the musicians who led the convention during the opening Eucharist service and asked John Repulski to carry our gratitude to them. He also thanked the co-chairs of the Worship Liturgy Team, the Very Rev. Rob Boulter and Ms. Cindy Dedakis.

Bishop Sutton then called the Rev. Anne O. Weatherholt to give instructions for the first ballot. Upon receiving instructions, voting proceeded. Once all the ballots were collected, the bishop declared the ballot closed. The convention went into recess at 12:11 PM for lunch once the diocesan youth had led us in saying Grace.

The business session was reopened by Bishop Sutton at 1:23 PM. He invited Ms. Kayla Massey, associate staff officer for the United Thank Offering, to speak to the convention.

The guest speaker for the convention was then introduced by Bishop Sutton. The Right Rev. Scott Mayer, bishop of Northwest Texas, and provincial bishop of the Diocese of Fort Worth. *For audio, visit www.episcopaldiocese.com*

Following Bishop Mayer's address, the bishop called upon the Rev. Anne O. Weatherholt, secretary to convention, to report on the first ballot.

FIRST BALLOT – COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

One layperson until 2021

Total ballots needed for election: 118

			<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Lay</i>	<i>Totals</i>
<i>Lay</i>	Elected	Ms. Elizabeth Healey	55	64	119
		Ms. Jill Kingery	60	55	115

Having received the necessary number of votes, Ms. Elizabeth Healey was elected to the full term until 2021.

FIRST BALLOT – DIOCESAN COUNCIL MEMBERS AT LARGE

Two laypersons until 2021

Total ballots needed for election: 151

			<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Lay</i>	<i>Totals</i>
<i>Lay</i>	Elected	Ms. Phyllis Everette	95	92	187
	Elected	Mr. John Repulski	77	74	151
		Mr. Dan Sturgeon	52	62	114

Having received the necessary number of votes, Ms. Phyllis Everette and Mr. John Repulski were elected to the full terms until 2021.

FIRST BALLOT – DISCIPLINARY BOARD

Two laypersons and one cleric until 2021

Total ballots needed for election: 115

			<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Lay</i>	<i>Totals</i>
<i>Lay</i>		Ms. Nona Diggs**	44	47	91
		Ms. Hilary Klein**	45	56	101
		Ms. Heather McLaughlin	40	48	88
	Elected	The Hon. Enechi Modu	94	85	179

Total ballots needed for election: 120

			<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Lay</i>	<i>Totals</i>
<i>Cleric</i>	Elected	The Rev. Timothy Grayson	73	53	126
		The Rev. Joshua Rodriguez Hobbs	51	61	112

Having received the necessary number of votes, the Hon. Enechi Modu, and the Rev. Tim Grayson were elected to the full term. In accordance with Rule of Order #19, the tellers of election dropped the name of the candidate receiving the lowest total of votes, the two nominees with the highest totals of those not elected were carried to the second ballot.

*** Nominees carried to the second ballot.*

FIRST BALLOT – STANDING COMMITTEE

One cleric until 2022

Total ballots needed for election: 127

			<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Lay</i>	<i>Totals</i>
<i>Lay</i>	Elected	The Rev. Adrien Dawson	79	71	150
		The Rev. Matthew Hanisian	20	26	46
		The Rev. Travis Smith	33	26	59

Having received the necessary number of votes, the Rev. Adrien Dawson was elected to the full term until 2022.

The Bishop certified the results of the first ballot.

Bishop Sutton introduced those seated on the dais: the Right Rev. Chilton Knudsen, assistant bishop, the Rev. Canon Scott Slater, dispatcher of business, Mr. Jeffrey Ayres, chancellor and parliamentarian, the Rev. Anne O. Weatherholt, secretary of convention, and Mrs. Caroline Bomgardner, staff person recording the minutes of convention on behalf of the secretary.

Having received instructions from the secretary of convention, the convention proceeded to the second ballot. The Bishop declared the second ballot closed and the convention was in recess until 2:55 PM.

After returning from the break, there was an infomercial for the Sutton Scholars Program.

Canon Slater then explained the process for discussing the four resolutions. There was one other resolution on gun-free zones, but was dismissed as a resolution according to the rules of order. The convention was given time to discuss the resolutions and then given time to ask questions for clarification purposes. The resolutions would be presented, debated and voted on at the next business session on Saturday.

Following the discussion at tables, the convention watched an infomercial from St James' School, Hagerstown.

Bishop Sutton then called upon the Rev. Anne O. Weatherholt, secretary to convention, to report on the second ballot.

SECOND BALLOT – DISCIPLINARY BOARD

Second layperson until 2021

Total ballots needed for election: 125

		<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Lay</i>	<i>Totals</i>
<i>Lay</i>	Ms. Nona Diggs	63	52	115
Elected	Ms. Hilary Klein	64	68	132

Having received the necessary number of votes, Ms. Hilary Klein was elected to the full term until 2021.

The secretary of convention reported that this completed all elections.

Bishop Sutton then acknowledged three staff positions that were eliminated during the restructuring at the Claggett Center in anticipation of the new co-directors, Lisa Marie and James Ryder. Lori Sylvia, director of sales and marketing for four years; Stuart Scarborough, assistant to the director for eight years; and Sharon Tillman, director of diocesan initiatives for two years and director of communications for the diocese for ten years. The convention applauded to show their appreciation.

Canon Slater introduced the next item of business on racial reconciliation. The convention was invited to watch a video clip from the *Racism Hurts Everyone* workshop and then spend ten minutes discussing within their tables *“how has red-lining (or its absence) impacted where you live?”*

Following the discussion, Bishop Sutton led the convention in the gospel song and key anthem of the Civil Rights Movement *“We shall overcome”*.

The bishop then announced the clergy new to our diocese since last year’s convention. The clergy who have moved within the diocese were named on the screen:

New to the diocese: Christopher Pyles, priest in charge, Grace and St. Peter’s, Baltimore (from Central Pennsylvania); Walter “Chip” Prehn, head of school, St. John’s Parish Day School, Ellicott

City (from NW Texas); Anne Ritonia, rector, St. John's, Ellicott City (from Washington, DC); Richard Meadows, priest-in-charge, St. Michael and All Angels, Baltimore (from Washington, DC); Emmanuel Mercer, rector, Christ Church, Columbia (from Pennsylvania); Christopher Garcia, rector, Christ Church, Port Republic (from Virginia); Hentzi Elek, rector, Emmanuel Church, Baltimore (from Pennsylvania); Tim Mulder, interim, St. Anne's, Annapolis (from New Jersey); Rose Richards, long-term supply, St. George's, Mount Savage (from Connecticut); John Keydel, interim, St. James', Lothian (from Michigan).

Clergy transitions within the diocese: Corby Zeren, deacon, St. Andrew's, Pasadena; Jane O'Leary, archdeacon for the Diocese of Maryland; Joanna White, chaplain to clergy and families; Josh Rodriguez-Hobbs, chaplain, Johns Hopkins; Pan Conrad, priest-in-charge, St. Alban's, Glen Burnie; Janet Kuria, assistant, St. Andrew's ICCAE Church, Loch Raven, Baltimore; Katrina Grusell, chaplain to the Corporation; M. Dion Thompson, associate rector, St. Anne's, Annapolis; Eric Whitehair, deacon, Church of the Advent, Federal Hill, Baltimore; Joan Kelly, deacon, Emmanuel, Bel Air; John Verdon, deacon, St. James, Lothian; Lori Babcock, chaplain, University of Maryland Medical Center, Baltimore; Kim Baker, priest-in-charge, Holy Covenant, Baltimore; Jo Leslie, deacon, Holy Comforter, Lutherville; Kirk Kubicek, priest-in-charge, Christ Church, Rock Spring; Anjel Scarborough, priest-in-charge, St. Peter's, Ellicott City; Spencer Hatcher, priest-in-charge, Grace, Brunswick; James Perra, rector, Holy Apostles, Arbutus; Annette Chappell, interim, Holy Trinity, Churchville; Jeff Hual, rector, All Hallows Parish, Davidsonville; Joanne Tetrault, priest-in-charge, St. Matthias, Baltimore; Walt Burgess, interim, Copley Parish, Joppatowne; L. Scott Lipscomb, assistant, St. Mark's Capitol Hill, Washington, DC, Diocese of Washington; Ruth Elder, archdeacon for formation, the Diocese of Maryland.

The Bishop announced changes to the members of the Commission on Ministry listed in the Convention Journal, part B. Two completed their terms: the Rev. Anjel Scarborough, St. Peter's, Ellicott City and the Rev. Monique Ellis, St. Christopher's, Linthicum Heights and the Bishop thanked them for their faithful service. Added to the list are the Rev. Timothy Kroh, Advent, Baltimore and the Rev. Kim Baker, Holy Covenant, Baltimore. A motion and second to approve these appointments was passed by voice vote.

Canon Slater noted that this was the end of the business session and that the workshops would begin at 4:30 PM and the banquet (prior reservations required) would begin at 6:30 PM.

The bishop adjourned convention at 4:19 PM until 9:00 AM Saturday, May 12, 2019.

Saturday, May 12, 2018

The Bishop and Mrs. Sonya Sutton and Bishop Knudsen enjoyed a traditional breakfast with the youth delegation gathered at convention.

At 9:00 AM the office of Morning Prayer, Rite II. The lessons were Deuteronomy 34:1-7; Psalm 47 and John 16:4-11. The music was led by Ms. Cindy DeDakis and Mrs. Sonya Subbayya Sutton. The gathering of the United Thank Offering boxes also took place during the service.

Following the service, Bishop Sutton called our business meeting to order.

The next two videos shown were from the Rev. Charles Cloughen talking about planned giving and the All Saints' Legacy Society. Followed by the Development Office regarding the Bishops' Annual Ministries Appeal and the upcoming Stewardship Conference.

At 9:30 AM the bishop gave his address to the convention:

Address from Diocesan Bishop Sutton (notes form)

"The Diocese of Maryland as a Community of Love"

For audio, visit www.episcopaldiocese.com

INTRODUCTION

A sabbatical is a wonderful thing. For professional caregivers like clergy, who are constantly "on" and "on call" for others, to do the emotional and spiritual labor of pastoring people for years without taking a significant break, it will lead to a decrease of creativity, decreased effectiveness, and inevitably some form of burnout. What I want to talk about with you today is the fruit of my sabbatical two years ago when I had the time to reflect and write on these questions, "What is the Diocese of Maryland?", and "How can I most effectively lead it?"

MISSION STATEMENT

It is out of those reflections while in a period of rest that I returned with the mission statement that we readily adopted: **"The mission of the Diocese of Maryland is to encounter Christ everywhere, and to engage in God's mission of reconciliation in the world."** This is the "Encounter/Engage" on those buttons you see some of us wearing. We encounter Christ, and we engage the world. We spent some time unpacking that mission statement in the first year after my sabbatical.

VISION STATEMENT

But as I said in last year's convention address, this year I wanted to engage the diocese into a deeper reflection on the vision statement that we also adopted, that **"We are a community of love."** The clergy, diocesan staff and several of our committees have done some good work in living into that statement.

ON LOVE

Now I want to share with you the reasons why we are focusing this year on becoming more and more a community of love. The Bible teaches us that love is the most important trait that the Church must exhibit if we are to be disciples of Jesus Christ, even more important than faith. The Gospel of Mark reminds us that we should be taught the truth in all things, and the apostle Paul adds in Ephesians 4:15 that we should "speak the truth in love," - not that faith, hope, wisdom, knowledge, charity, generosity and patience aren't important; they certainly are. It's just that love takes precedence over all these; in fact, we cannot be full of faith, hope wisdom, knowledge, charity, generosity and kindness without having love. It is the foundation of everything!

There's always been a lot of talk about love: the word "love" for example has the highest reference frequency of any word cited in Bartlett's book of *Familiar Quotations*. Television commercials and magazine ads are filled with the word "love" and how much we need it - and will have it if you would only buy our product! The music industry and pop culture have made billions of dollars in latching on to the word love; "Love is all you need" the Beatles sang many years ago, to which Dionne Warwick added, "What the world need now is love sweet love; it's the only thing that there's

just too little of.” Indeed, business increasingly banks on the fact that we as a society are in love with being in love.

But what is love? In English, we are impoverished in describing the various types of love. We use that one word “love” to describe everything from “I love my grandma’s apple pie” to saying to someone about your husband or wife who died after you’ve been married to them 50 years, “I love this woman, I love this man.”

In the New Testament, though, the Greek language uses *five* distinct words that we translate as “love” in English.

- -*eros*, for romantic or sexual love
- -*storge*, for family affection
- -*philia*, for friendship
- -*philanthropia*, for humanitarian charity
- -*agape*, the distinctive character of Christian love. Agape was so widely taught and cherished in NT times that the Christian community used it to describe the feast that the early Christians would share with one another before the celebration of the Eucharist.

Hear how St. Paul describes *agape*, the word translated as love in **I Corinthians 13**:

Love is patient. Love is kind. Love is not envious or boastful. Love is not irritable or resentful. Love does not insist on its own way. Love does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in what is right. Love bears all things, believes all things, and hopes all things. Love does not end.

THE FOUR PILLARS TO BUILDING LOVING COMMUNITY

1. Speaking the truth in love. (*quoted from Ephesians 4:15...but what is truth?*)

When Jesus said in John 14:6, “I am the way, the truth and the life”, I think it’s a mistake to take each of those three things as separate statements: I am the way, I am the the truth, I am the life. They all run together; they are one continuum of thought. I translate the passage like this: I am the way of truth that gives life. In Nan Merrill’s paraphrase of the psalms, she uses the word “Love” instead of “God” to picture God in a different way than many people have. She gets her cue from I John: “God is love.”

So, if all of the Godhead is in Jesus - and we Christians believe that that is the case - then here is how I paraphrase John 14:6... **“Love is the way of truth that gives life.”** Repeat it after me: “Love is the way of truth that gives life.” Jesus is giving an eternal principle here, a universal wisdom, one in which every human being - every child of God - can believe in: “Love is the way of truth that gives life.”

A community of love encourages truth-telling, not withholding caring feedback, especially when someone has caused hurt or harm. Sometimes we hurt others unintentionally, oblivious to the effects of our words or actions. So when someone speaks their truth in love, they should do in the confidence that they will not be shut down or silenced. The aim is always to build up the community.

2. Listening intently to one another.

When someone is trying to say something that is weighing on them, then it is the obligation of the community to listen to what she or he is saying. The author David Spangler defined

listening as “the act of entering the skin of the other and wearing it for a time as if it were our own.” Think how much better our nation and world would be if we practiced that regularly!

3. Commitment to change behaviors and attitudes.

A community of love never succumbs to the temptation that it is fully realized. There will always be room for improvement, and all of us can “know better and do better” in our relationships. No one expects perfection, but we can reasonably expect that all of us will *make a commitment* to change for the better. Just as Jesus’ disciples “improved” over time, so should we.

4. Giving and receiving forgiveness.

“Without forgiveness,” said Archbishop Desmond Tutu, “there can be no future.” A community of love knows how to regularly offer forgiveness to each and every member freely, and every member is expected to accept that offer of forgiveness.

It’s important to note that each of the four “pillars” have to be operative at the same time in order for the community of love to flourish. If one of them is withheld, then the whole thing collapses.

IMPLICATIONS FOR OUR COMMON LIFE

- I commend to your reading and reflection The Episcopal Church’s Report on Impairment in Leadership that came out this year. The report is the result of an appointed church-wide task force’s two-year investigation of the experience of several dioceses – including our own suffragan bishop election in 2014 – whose elections have similarly resulted in tragedies or serious mismatches. Our Standing Committee, the former Bishop Suffragan Search Committee, and I have met to review once again what happened here in Maryland, and to discuss the recommendations that came from that Report. The whole Church has taken stock of its policies regarding addiction and other impairments.
- Sadly for us, as many of you already know, according to the canons The Episcopal Church, Bishop Chilton Knudsen must retire as Assistant Bishop at the end of this calendar year. Happily, she and Michael have made the Baltimore area their permanent home, so she will remain a part of our family for many years to come – although not as one of our bishops. We will have a tearful farewell for her in December, although she undoubtedly will be using her considerable gifts as an assisting bishop elsewhere on a part-time basis beginning next year. We are so very grateful for her three years with us!
- It is not my intention, the Standing Committee concurring, to call for another suffragan election at this time. Instead of spending the enormous time and energy required to do an election, I will be seeking another assistant bishop to serve our Diocese, hopefully beginning next year. In the meantime, we need to focus our efforts right now on being more and more a community of love, and on preparing to host a very good General Convention of the Episcopal Church to take place here in Baltimore in July 2021!

CONCLUSION

It’s going to take all of us to make our community of love a reality. This is the most important work we can do as a church in these times. If we don’t get our “love vision” right, then nothing we do is going to be right. I, your bishop, am asking you to join me in this work.

Keep this image in mind: **a fish** doesn't know it's wet; it just lives in water. It can only sense what we earth dwellers call "wetness" if it's snatched out of the water. Similarly, as followers of Jesus - who is the way of truth that gives life - we don't know when we are being loving; we shouldn't notice it, nor applaud ourselves for the love we demonstrate.

We just live in it. Amen!

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Following the address, Canon Slater invited table discussions about the times people have experienced love in a faith community, in their own or another. After a short break, people came forward to share their experiences.

A video at Camp Wright from the "Happening" gathering in February 2019 was shown to the convention.

The people from our diocese that went on a mission trip to the Episcopal Diocese of Puerto Rico shared their experiences and showed a video that revealed post-hurricane relief efforts. Their message is Restore/Rebuild/Rejoice, and they invited others to join them.

The bishop then called upon the Rev. Eddie Blue, chair of the Resolutions Committee, to present the first resolution.

Resolution 2018-01 Clergy and Lay Employee Compensation

Please refer to page 18 of the 2018 Part B of the Convention Journal for the original resolution as presented.

Two separate amendments were presented, seconded, and debated **and each was passed by voice vote.**

Without further debate, **the resolution passed.**

RESOLUTION 2018-1 – passed with two amendments.

RESOLVED, that the 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland, meeting May 11-12, 2018, continues to be committed to a Living Wage; the Diocese of Maryland strongly encourages that all clergy and lay employees be paid according to the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation's Living Wage standard for a single employee. Currently this is \$13.28 hourly for employers in Anne Arundel County, Howard County, Baltimore County, and Baltimore City, and \$13.10 hourly for employers in other locations of the diocese; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all clergy and lay employees be granted an annual review of performance that should consider merit increases in compensation as appropriate; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the recommended minimum annual salary increase for parochial clergy and congregational lay employees for 2019 shall be the total of a 2.1% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) on the 2018 salary plus a salary adjustment based on responsibilities and performance; in considering compensation, vestries should take into account the recommended salary, adjustments based on responsibility, experience, the performance review, and the COLA; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention adopts the following honoraria for supply clergy for 2018:

1 service	between \$125 and \$225
2 services	between \$150 and \$275
3 services	between \$200 and \$325
(Midweek services may be compensated at a lesser rate)	
Guest Preachers, including deacons preaching a sermon – Compensation should be appropriate to the circumstances with a minimum of \$125.	

and further directs that travel expenses be reimbursed in compliance with the Internal Revenue Service guidelines; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this convention urges all congregations to provide fair, equitable, and competitive compensation to all persons providing program services such as, but not limited to, music director, choir director, director of Christian education, and director of youth programs; and be it further

RESOLVED, that for transitional deacons and newly ordained priests for the first year following their ordination to the priesthood, the minimum annual Total Assessable Compensation (TAC) is \$60,769, the bottom of the range for a cleric in charge of a family-sized congregation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the suggested range of TAC for experienced clergy who are hired as Assistant Rectors or Associate Rectors is \$63,970 to \$84,492 to fairly reflect experience and performance; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this convention adopts the following TAC criteria for full-time clergy in charge of congregations within the Diocese for the year 2018. TAC for full-time clergy must be at least the minimum of the TAC range; and be it further

RESOLVED, that rectors with ten or more years of experience in ordained ministry should be compensated at least at the median of the applicable parish-type clergy compensation range.

Parish Type	Family	Pastoral	Transitional	Program	Corporate/ Resource
Average Sunday Attendance	<i>fewer than 76</i>	76 – 140	141 – 225	226 – 400	Over 400
Total Assessable Compensation Medians and Ranges					

Median TAC	\$73,108	\$79,270	\$99,994	\$118,299	\$148,086
TAC Range	\$60,769 - \$101,952	\$72,059 - \$102,523	\$77,666 - \$120,585	\$105,634 - \$132,166	\$130,256 - \$166,408

Part-time clergy should be paid according to their experience and proportional to the number of hours worked.

RESOLVED, that the Compensation and Benefits Committee continue to monitor disparities in clergy compensation based on race and gender, address gender and racial bias in the search process, and publicize educational opportunities as well as information concerning appropriate compensation.

RESOLVED, that the Compensation and Benefits Committee continue to monitor disparities in clergy compensation based on race and gender and sexual identity, address gender and racial bias in the search process, and publicize educational opportunities as well as information concerning appropriate compensation

RESOLVED, that the 2019 Resolution from the Compensation and Benefits Committee will include current data on disparities in clergy compensation based on gender, race and sexual identity.

Congregations are referred to the Compensation and Benefits Guide http://archive.episcopalmaryland.org/forms/comp_and_benefits.pdf for examples and further information.

Bishop Sutton then invited the Rev. Eddie Blue, chair of the Resolutions Committee to present the second resolution.

RESOLUTION 2018-2 Offer Caring, Practical Response to the Opioid Crisis in Our Communities

Please refer to page 21 of the 2018 Part B of the Convention Journal or the original resolution as presented.

After a second there was debate. Friendly amendments were presented, seconded and **passed by voice vote**. The amended resolution passed by voice vote.

2018-02 - Offer Caring, Practical Response to the Opioid Crisis in Our Communities – passed as amended.

RESOLVED, that in agreement with The Executive Council of The Episcopal Church (Resolution AN 029: Opioids, passed June 13, 2017), the 234th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland recognizes that the opioid drug crisis is a critical regional and national concern that directly impacts our communities and urges strong action to combat the crisis and its effects, and be it further

RESOLVED, that every congregation in the Diocese of Maryland make Narcan available for use in the event of an overdose, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the 234th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland urge the parishes, missions, and separate congregations, and other Diocesan ministries to:

- offer information about multiple pathways to recovery, including medication-assisted treatment;
- work to end to the discrimination of individuals with opioid addiction and recognize that prior discrimination of people with drug addiction has had profound impact on incarceration, particularly of persons of color;
- offer education and prevention resources accessible to the community;
- offer spiritual support for those facing addiction and their loved ones;
- include those with problematic opioid use in Prayers of the People as appropriate;
- offer information on proper medication disposal such as the National Take-Back Medication program;
- consider partnership with the Opioid Intervention Team in your region. (See <http://beforeitstoolate.maryland.gov>);
- teach and model self-care, mental health and wellness, and coping skills/resiliency within the community;
- consider ways to hold pharmaceutical companies accountable;
- review any parish/diocesan investments to understand whether we are profiting from the over-prescription of opioids;
- work in partnership with The Episcopal Church Medical Trust, Recovery Ministries of The Episcopal Church, Maryland State Opioid Operational Command Center, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, local funeral homes, other faith communities, agencies and community-based organizations to effectively address prevention, intervention, education, grief care, advocacy, treatment, and recovery.

Bishop Sutton then invited the Rev. Eddie Blue, chair of the resolutions committee to present the third resolution.

RESOLUTION 2018-3 In Support of Common Sense Gun Control Measures

Please refer to page 22 of the 2018 Part B of the Convention Journal or the original resolution as presented.

After a second there was debate. Two separate amendments were presented, seconded, and debated, but neither amendment carried. As Bishop Sutton rose to speak on the resolution, Bishop Knudsen took over as the president until the voting on resolution concluded. After further debate the original resolution **passed by hand vote: 192 yes votes; 35 no votes and 7 abstentions.**

Following the passing of the resolution, the youth of the diocese had an opportunity to speak

2018-03 – In Support of Common Sense Gun Control Measures – passed as submitted

RESOLVED, that the 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland urge the 79th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, to promote common sense measures – supported by the majority of gun owners and gun safety activists alike – that would require licensing and registration of all firearms; a ban on all assault-style weapons and high-capacity magazines; universal background checks; creation of a national database; denial of gun ownership by domestic abusers; funding for research into gun violence prevention strategies; treating gun violence as a public health issue and applying those strategies for prevention; and advocating for passage of these measures on a state and federal level.

During the debate of Resolution 2018-3, a motion to table the discussion until after lunch carried. The youth once again led the convention in blessing the food.

The Bishop reconvened the convention at 1:00 PM. The following reports were received by Convention: the reports of the Standing Committee, the Diocesan Council, and the Treasurer.

Canon Scott Slater was invited to introduce this year's Gileads of the Episcopal Service Corps, who in turn presented our bishops with this year's t-shirts. These young adults live in community in partnership with Memorial Church in Bolton Hill, Baltimore.

The bishop called for a motion to continue the discussion on Resolution 2018-3. After the resolution passed, Bishop Sutton invited the Rev. Eddie Blue, chair of the resolutions committee to present the fourth and final resolution.

RESOLUTION 2018-4 In Support of the Poor People's Campaign

Please refer to page 25 of the 2018 Part B of the Convention Journal or the original resolution as presented.

After a second and debate, resolution **passed as originally presented**.

2018-04 – In Support of the Poor People's Campaign – passed as submitted

RESOLVED, that the 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland endorse the principles and goals of the revived Poor People's Campaign and encourage the participation of all clergy and laity and mission partners in the upcoming 40 Days of action in Washington, D.C. and other state capitals, so as to achieve those goals.

The Small Church Movement gave a presentation led by the Rev. Susan Oldfather.

Afterwards, Bishop Sutton invited Bishop Knudsen to present her report to convention:

Address of Bishop Chilton R. Knudsen, Assistant Bishop

For audio, visit www.episcopalmaryland.org

Everything we have said about a community of love goes back to one core reality. If you are ever looking for a scripture reference about the relationship between God and people and the sacrifice of Jesus, and the love of God, I commend to you the first letter of John. That is the condensed version of a love letter between God and God's people. It mentions in there that it is Jesus who is God's fullest expression of love. In particular the first chapter of the first letter of John, there are these exquisite words between verses 10 and 12. Don't miss these, make this part of the mantra that runs through your mind on a day by day basis. "Herein is love, not that we loved, but that God first loved us and sent his son to die for us, therefore beloved we should love one another," so it all goes back to that primal love between God and humanity.

This past Triduum I had a lifelong ambition fulfilled, which was to preach the same Triduum message to one community throughout the three days. I thank the Cathedral and Dean Boulter for giving me that opportunity. I said something during the Easter Vigil sermon that I had a challenge about. I said apropos of the Genesis reading that when God breathed into our nostrils the breath of life, God fell in love. And so I still believe that, but I think there is a way to say it with more theological heft. And that is to say that God who is love itself, God whose very being is love, created us as objects of that love. And so God did indeed, in creating human beings, fall in love. And God's love is passionate and constant and it's all about what scripture tells us. The prophets tell us about God's anguished howl, God's cry when we are unfaithful and walk away from the poor and the needy, when we oppress one another. Through the words of the prophets, God howls. God howled for us when we were walking away, God howls for us when break a bond between ourselves and God. When God found God's love so passionate, so forthcoming that God could not contain God's self, he poured out God's love into the incarnate word, who is Jesus, and in the power of the spirit who embraces and sustains, and holds us.

So I want to start with a quick story about love in action. The setting is the Diocese of Lexington where I served as assistant bishop, I served there about three or four assistant bishops ago. I was with the group who were at Barnes Mountain in Appalachia. The Diocese of Lexington has a special ministry to Appalachia, especially through St. Timothy's Outreach Center. The center has a display right outside these doors, and if you don't know of anywhere to go for a mission trip, go there. It has a comfortable place to reside, there is a full kitchen, there are projects to do, the countryside is beautiful, and the people are oh so desperate. There is rural poverty and it's not like urban poverty. It has about it a quality of isolation, and it's an important part of our address to the conditions of poverty. You all know what poverty is, our debate indicated that you all have differing views about what to do about it, but no one in this room would say that we don't have a scriptural mandate to attend to the poor, our only difference is how, by what means, using what vocabulary. You know that poverty is violence in slow motion, I am going to say that again, it is violence in slow motion.

So there we were on Barnes Mountain, a group of us. As bishop, in that diocese, I periodically came out to St. Timothy's Outreach Center to greet the visiting groups and to celebrate Eucharist and lead them in theological reflection, at the conclusion of each of their terms. Inevitably what came out of these theological reflections was that they learned to love these people. Isn't it interesting that

when you invest in others, love follows. It isn't that we always love and then serve. In AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) we have a wonderful saying, which is "act your way into new ways of feeling". Love in fact can be a product of our serving, not be preconditioned for it.

So with that love back drop, let me say that serving and loving is one of the greatest lessons in life. The more you do it, the more you are blessed. I would like the people who are icons of servanthood in our midst, those are the deacons, the ones who are icons, representatives of the servanthood of Christ, please stand. Thank you deacons. Don't let us ever forget what our Baptismal Covenant calls us to do. And let me ask all those deacons in formation to please stand in our midst. These deacons are representative of a most exciting moment in my life since last September, when I sat in a room in Christ Church, Columbia, where I was surrounded by a new class, a cohort of deacon postulants or about to be deacon postulants, who entered formation for the diaconate under the new program. We have spent two years building a program that is accessible, flexible, customizable, but robust. Any of them will tell you that it's plenty robust, just because it isn't regimented doesn't mean that it is easy. But here are people who are devoting their lives for studying and being formed for servant ministry in our midst. We plan to welcome another five or six in the cohort coming in next September. And then in the pipeline coming through EBM and DOV are another six to eight. In other words God is calling deacons to the Diocese of Maryland at the moment when we are getting clearer that mission and servanthood and the diaconate are all luminous representatives to us and reminders of what the Church is called to do. This has been one of the joyful gratifications of my ministry here with you and I am so glad that before December of this year when I turn off the light in my office for the last time, I will have admitted a second cohort to this program. And they are all splendid. They are faithful, hardworking people with a variety of gifts and skills. You can be proud.

I also want to give a shout out to those persons who are undergoing formation to the priesthood. In particular those who make enormous sacrifices in their family life and in their finances with respect to job security, basically burning a bridge, and we owe them our support and our love, and we give them thanks for the vocation that they, too, are pursuing.

In my life here, within the last two and a half years, I have been enormously blessed to work with my colleague, Eugene Sutton, who is an exquisite colleague and superior. And to be blessed enormously by one who is not here with us by her own choice, the one who avoids public appearances and attention, public or private, and that is my own assistant Maizie Heil. You all know that Maizie has been thinking some time about retiring. In the aftermath of her sister's death, about a year ago, she and her surviving sister, who lives in Florida, realized that they needed one another, and Maizie has made the decision to retire and move to Florida. Not in with her sister, she hastens to say, that will be the end of a relationship, but they will be neighbors and a support to one another going forward. Maizie's last day at work is June 8 and I am bereft, and I will miss her terribly. If you have a chance, in a gentle and non-intrusive way, to drop her an email, or a notecard or even a handshake when you are in the building, please do so. Don't tell her I suggested it, because she really, really hates it when people make a fuss over her, but that you thought it up yourself to go by and thank her.

It's been a joy and a pleasure to do a number of things this year which may not have come to your attention. It's been a pleasure to serve on the bishop's behalf, on the board of Integrace. Integrace formally known as Episcopal Ministries to the Aging is the operating company for several

continuing care retirement communities that have an Episcopal affiliation. Many of the chaplains are here, along with some of the residents from these properties run by Integrate. It has been a pleasure with work with the folks on this board, and I will be sad to hand that back to Bishop Sutton.

It's been a joy to work with the ecumenical group which has been a group of support and political work and all kinds of mutual up-building, including our partners with the ELCA. You had Bishop Gohl with you last convention, and Bishop Gohl was the keynote speaker at the Small Church meeting just two weeks ago. And you met another of our partners at this convention during the splendid sermon from my sister bishop, Bishop Easterling, as we began our time together here yesterday. It's been a joy to represent you and be with you at the March for Our Lives in Washington, D.C., where many Episcopalians gathered. It was amazing. Particularly starting our morning at the Church of the Epiphany with one of our own, the Rev. Glenna Huber, now the rector there.

I want to say to you that the Small Church Movement is a movement of power and grace that is gaining momentum and moving throughout the diocese. Lifting up small churches, helping small churches to hold their heads high, to straighten their shoulders and to remove from the small church the preface "just a" as in "it's just a small church". It's been our work this past year to not say "just a" in front of deacon. The small church group are talking about everything from how to collaborate with one another in important ways, how to get the word out about their vibrancy, how they thrive, and how to offer one another continuous support. They are advocating for all sorts of things, through diocesan council, to which they have an obligation to report, as the diocesan council summoned them into existence.

And finally friends it's just my great joy to be visiting every Sunday in your churches. Don't let anyone tell you anything different, that is what makes the bishop's ministry possible. In the middle of the difficulties of a bishop's office, the people who are disappointed that have no idea as to how you made the decision they hate; who have no idea how you see the situation you are looking at intimately; for people who reasonably have doubt and questions about what goes on in a bishop's office; for all of that is part of the traffic of a bishop's life, for all of the difficult decisions, all of the disappointments, all of the concerns that weigh heavy, getting together with you on a Sunday morning, praying, worshiping, singing, looking at your ministries with you, seeing evidence of your vibrancy, your health, your spirit, confirming your adults and young people, welcoming individuals through the sacraments of initiation through baptism, confirmation, enjoying fellowship with you, every bishop, who is telling you the truth, will say that's what makes the rest of it possible. Those Sunday mornings with you, with your people, preaching the word and celebrating the sacraments. Indeed here's my theory, the Church is not only a community of love, called to be evermore a community of love as our bishop has told us, but a Church is also a laboratory of love. By which I mean, it's where you get down to the real work of love. Love doesn't just happen, love is a conscious attention to that first principle that every day you put your feet on the floor, you are beloved. Every time that you make a mistake, you are beloved. Every time you are not loving, you are none the less beloved. That belovedness is the state of life in which we dwell. And as we draw more and more attention in our own lives to this state, the more love flows out of us and through us. My term laboratory means that we practice the hard work of loving each other, we practice loving in spite of

difference, we practice loving in spite of a sense of alienation, we practice loving in spite of hurt feelings or differing vocabularies, or divergent viewpoints. We practice loving the people who we didn't choose to be love. In church we don't pick one another, and honestly, in churches that do attempt to hand pick the members, very soon there will be no members, because people feel that when they come in, when someone is putting up a yardstick to see if they are going to fit and be accepted, that's the last time you will ever see them. Our churches, our congregations is a gift from God whose love is passionate, and deep, and primal. And it means God chooses us to teach about love not only the scriptures, not only by the grace of our own lives, not only by the wonders of God's beautiful creation, not only by the human affection to those we love and are comfortable with, but the love of God is made known to us in the laboratory where we do that hard work, that hard, hard, beautiful work. Learning to love in spite of, fill in the blank. Being able to say I love you in spite of blank. So it's no accident that my first vocation was as a scientist, so I do think in terms of a laboratory where truth is unearthed and discovered.

And so finally a word about my plans. I turn 72 on September 29. Like you, I am bound to obey the canons of The Episcopal Church, which means I will retire, not happily, but obediently. With the grace period of three months that we are given as bishops, I will retire on December 31 from serving as the Assistant Bishop of Maryland. And I will be sad to do that. But I want you to know that I will continue to live here, my husband and I are Baltimore residents until they carry us out! I expect to be here and there as appropriate with good boundaries, and I will appear at diocesan events that are appropriate. So we will not be strangers, but we will certainly close the end of a chapter together. I want you to know that I am in conversation with other dioceses, because I am not done being a good bishop, I am healthy, I am active, and I still believe that we who are ordained need to make our offering to the Church for as long as we are able and feel led. And so I may well be waving to you from a diocesan border not far from here and I will be seeing you around.

Meanwhile, back to the laboratory because herein is love, not that we loved, but that God first loved us. Amen.

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The bishop introduced the Venerable Jane O'Leary who presented the deacon's video entitled Deacons: *Much More Than Sunday*. Bishop Sutton recognized the star of the video, Deacon Joan Kelly, from Emmanuel, Bel Air and thanked all who contributed to the video.

The president then called upon the Rev. Eddie Blue, chair of the Resolutions Committee, to present the courtesy resolutions of thanks and greetings.

Courtesy Resolutions:

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland extends its condolences to Mrs. Sarah Eastman whose husband, the Right Reverend A. Theodore Eastman, the 12th Bishop of Maryland died on April 29th and will be carried to his rest on May 14th.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland thanks the Right Reverend Latrelle Easterling for her stirring call to be the Beloved Community.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland thanks the Right Reverend Scott Mayer for calling us to a Trinitarian Revolution of Love.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland congratulates the Right Reverend Eugene Taylor Sutton as we celebrate with him the tenth anniversary of his episcopate and looks forward to many more years of his leadership in our Community of Love.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland send its greetings and best wishes to the Right Reverend Rafael Morales, and the people of the Diocese of Puerto Rico and assures them that they remain in our thoughts and prayers as they continue to recover from last year's hurricane.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland sends its greetings and best wishes to our bishops retired the Right Reverend Charles Longest and Barbara; the Right Reverend Robert Ihloff and Nancy; the Right Reverend John Rabb and Sharon.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland thanks Ms. Kathleen Schotto, the Rev. Canon Scott Slater and the members of the Convention Planning Team for their work in planning this convention and urges other interested parties to join the team in planning next year's convention.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland thanks the Committee on Liturgy and Music for "jazzing up" our worship during the Eucharist at this convention.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland thanks the support staff of the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland for all the work they do and especially for their work at this convention.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland thanks Ms. Kaylla Massey for bringing us the good news of how our United Thank Offering effects the wider Church and the world.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland thanks the Daughters of the King for establishing a chapel at this convention and for their continued prayers for the convention's success.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland thanks the youth of the diocese who acted in several roles to facilitate the work of this convention.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland thanks the Reverend Anne Weatherholt for her eight years of service as Secretary of Convention. She has indicated that this is her final year as Convention Secretary.

RESOLVED, that this 234th Convention of the Diocese of Maryland thanks the Right Reverend Chilton Knudsen for her ministry among us as a healer and reconciler, a shepherd and guide for ordained ministry and a champion for small church ministry.

After a second, **all courtesy resolutions were passed** by the convention.

Bishop Sutton announced that Bishop Eastman's funeral service will be held at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. at 2:00 PM on May 14 and both he and Bishop Knudsen will be present and participating. All are welcome.

The bishop also advised the convention that it had just been announced that Presiding Bishop Michael Curry would give the sermon at the Royal Wedding in London, England on May 19, 2019.

Canon Slater announced that the 235th Diocesan Convention would be held at Turf Valley Resort, Ellicott City, on May 10-11, 2019 and Diocesan Council would meet following this convention.

Bishop Sutton then thanked the Rev. Eddie Blue for all his work at convention, and the convention applauded.

There being no new business, the bishop moved to adjourn the 234th Diocesan Convention. It was seconded and passed by the convention at 3:12 PM.

Submitted by:
The Rev. Anne O. Weatherholt, Secretary of Convention

Canonical List of Clergy in the Diocese of Maryland

As of May 11, 2018

Those whose names are marked thus, #, were absent, but excused.

Bishops

Charles Lindsay Longest (resigned)	06/26/1959
Robert Wilkes Ihloff (resigned)	10/21/1995
John L. Rabb (resigned)	10/10/1998
Eugene Taylor Sutton	06/28/2008
Heather Elizabeth Cook (resigned and deposed)	04/30/2015
Chilton R. Knudsen	10/15/2015

#Smith, Philip Kingsley (retired)	7/5/1956
#Harris, Carl Berlinger (retired)	9/29/1956
#Dawson, Paul Sweeting (retired)	3/29/1958
#Brunett, Harry Edgar (retired)	6/26/1962

#Salmon, Abraham Dickerson (retired)	2/18/1963
#Hollis, Anthony Wolcott Linsley (retired)	6/22/1964
#Cassell, John Summerfield (retired)	6/22/1965
#Fallowfield, William Harris (retired)	6/22/1965
#Patterson, Robert Place (retired)	9/1/1965
#Wheeler, John Bevan (retired)	2/15/1967
#Fulghum, Peter Clopper (retired)	1/1/1968
Smith, William Louis (retired)	6/18/1968
#Gifford, Lance Allen Ball (retired)	6/23/1969
#Ticknor, William Howard Correa (retired)	6/22/1971
#Scarlett, William George (retired)	6/22/1972
#Crews, Norman Dale (retired)	7/1/1972
Shaffer, Charles Omer (retired)	7/15/1972
#Cammack, David Walker (retired)	8/1/1972
#Lodder, Herbert Kingsley (retired)	1/1/1973
#McGinley, Charles Richard (retired)	10/1/1973
#Hammond, Henry Latane (retired)	2/1/1974
#Smith, Manning Lee (retired)	9/1/1974
#Redmon, William Jesse (retired)	1/15/1975
#Edleman, Samuel Edleman (retired)	5/7/1975
Weatherholt, Floyd Allen	5/28/1975
#Edwards, Carl Norris (retired)	9/17/1976
#Rosenzweig, Edward Charles (retired)	11/21/1976
#McDermott, John Roy (retired)	1/1/1977
#Gardner, Van Howard (retired)	5/21/1977
#Moser, Paul Henry (retired)	10/21/1977
McPherson, Phebe L.	12/3/1977
#Coerper, Milo George (retired)	7/5/1978
#Holder, Charles Richard (retired)	7/7/1978
#Testa, Dennis Arthur (retired)	7/20/1978
#Burroughs, Joseph Parker (retired)	11/1/1978
#Bryant, Richard Gordon (retired)	1/1/1979
#Claggett, Thomas West (retired)	5/12/1979
#Fedock, Maria Michele (retired)	5/12/1979
Weatherholt, Anne Louise	9/1/1979
#Shields, James Mark (retired)	10/9/1979
Hamill, January Elizabeth (retired)	4/26/1980
#Macdonald, Heyward Hunter (retired)	6/1/1981
#Cox, Frances Dunning Fosbroke	6/28/1981
#Cawthorne, John Harry	8/1/1981
#Daly, Robert Edmund (retired)	9/4/1981

#Parker, Jesse Leon Anthony (retired)	10/17/1981
#Clark, David Norman	7/23/1982
#Fisher, Ronald Spencer (retired)	1/8/1983
Ledyard, Florence Livingstone	3/19/1983
Gatza, Mark Francis	5/15/1983
#Merrill, George Richard (retired)	6/2/1983
#Schirmacher, Michael Grayson (retired)	8/15/1983
#Flintom, Jack Glenn (retired)	9/13/1983
#Spicer, Clyde Allen (retired)	2/1/1984
Blue, Eddie Michael (retired)	3/26/1984
#Gordon-Barnes, Janice Evelina (retired)	4/24/1984
#McDonald, Norval Harrison (retired)	9/13/1984
#Smith, Ben Huddleston (retired)	1/1/1985
#Culbertson, Thomas Leon (retired)	2/24/1986
#Newcomb, Blair Deborah	3/7/1986
#Wajda, Kathryn A.R. (retired)	3/13/1986
#Howanstine, John Edwin (retired)	4/18/1986
#McNamara, Beth Cooper (retired)	6/7/1986
#Prince, Elaine Jo (retired)	6/7/1986
Cloughen, Charles Edward (retired)	6/23/1986
#Bishop, Harold Ellsworth (retired)	7/18/1986
#Braine, Beverly Barfield Davis (retired)	10/15/1986
#Gilliss, Columba (retired)	5/7/1987
#Shiflet, William Ray (retired)	6/15/1987
#Speer, Robert Hazlett (retired)	11/3/1987
#Dunning, William Melbourne (retired)	5/9/1988
#Ellis, Michael Warren (retired)	6/7/1988
#Miller, Ronald Homer (retired)	2/1/1989
Price, John Randolph (retired)	2/13/1989
Cozzoli, John David (retired)	6/17/1989
#Neylon, Jean Carla (retired)	6/17/1989
Shematek, Jon Paul	6/17/1989
#Wahl, Hughes Edward (retired)	6/17/1989
Welch, Lauren Marie	6/17/1989
#Crowder, James Robert (retired)	9/15/1989
#Smullen, Thelma Alice (retired)	11/16/1989
#Ransom, James Clifford (retired)	4/3/1990
#Thomas, Wayland Eugene (retired)	6/6/1990
Steiner, John (retired)	9/4/1990
#Pruitt, George Russell (retired)	5/1/1991
#Munro, Edward Henry (retired)	6/15/1991

#Thompson, Marshall Ulysses (retired)	6/15/1991
#Laveroni, Alfred Frank (retired)	6/18/1991
#Knight, William Allan (retired)	12/2/1991
Lewis, Sarah Elizabeth	12/2/1991
McPherson, William Bruce	3/8/1992
#Hurwitz, Ellen S.	4/27/1992
#Seras, Barbara Jean	6/13/1992
Dunnan, Donald Stuart	8/10/1992
Lee, William Forest	1/14/1993
VanAuker, Margaret Elizabeth (retired)	6/12/1993
#Simmons, Walter Clippinger (retired)	3/15/1994
Bassett-Jellema, Alice Moore	7/1/1994
#Fielder, Israel (retired)	9/8/1994
String, Jansen Edward	9/28/1994
Kubicek, Kirk Alan (retired)	1/2/1995
#Montjoy, Gid (retired)	4/1/1995
#Barton, Charles Lee (retired)	6/10/1995
#Radcliffe, William Eugene (retired)	6/10/1995
Sears, Barbara Anne	6/10/1995
Tang, Christopher Douglas	6/15/1996
#Babin, Alice Elizabeth Duffy (retired)	8/1/1996
#Swift, Stephen A. (retired)	1/17/1997
Fernandez, Linda Pell	2/27/1997
Bellows, Scott Philip	4/18/1997
#Douglas, Carole Robinson	6/7/1997
Mathews, Miriam	6/14/1997
#Pugh, Charles Dean (retired)	6/14/1997
#White-Haupt, Mary Jane Tongue (retired)	6/14/1997
Zile, Eric Neil	6/14/1997
#Bolin, Eugene Bolin (retired)	8/15/1997
#McIntyre, John (retired)	12/4/1997
#Billups, Beatrice Moore (retired)	1/5/1998
Stanford, Virginia Francene	2/3/1998
#Stenner, David (retired)	3/24/1998
#Ash, Gerald Arnold (retired)	5/15/1998
#Kenny, John Roy, Jr. (retired)	10/13/1998
#Krulak, William (retired)	1/1/1999
Burnside, Carol	1/21/1999
#Evans, John Miles (retired)	4/6/1999
Grusell, Katrina Lynn	6/12/1999
Wastler, Mark William	6/12/1999

#Jones, Theodore Grant (retired)	8/11/1999
#Kline-Mortimer, Sandra Louise	11/12/1999
Phelps, Kenneth Oliver	11/30/1999
#Tilden, Roger (retired)	1/1/2000
#Copp, Ann Humphreys (retired)	4/27/2000
#Mullins, Walter Earl (retired)	5/2/2000
#Rice, Sandra K. E. (retired)	6/2/2000
#Smith, Kerry Jon	6/2/2000
Meck, Daniel S., III	6/10/2000
Macgill, Martha N.	8/15/2000
#Carter, Thomas Brooke (retired)	11/13/2000
#Woolley, Arthur Everett (retired)	12/6/2000
Smith, Taylor Magavern	12/7/2000
#Walton, Mary Fish	3/27/2001
Slater, Scott Gerald	4/24/2001
#Arents, Gina (retired)	6/2/2001
Mayrer, Jane Goodhue	6/2/2001
#White, Nancy Anne (retired)	6/2/2001
Lucas, Thomas Stewart	6/9/2001
#Bauer, Thomas William (retired)	6/14/2001
Ginnever, Richard Arthur (retired)	10/4/2001
#Tunkle, Paul Dennis (retired)	1/11/2002
#Smith, John Thomas (retired)	4/5/2002
#Eversley, Walter Vernon Lloyd (retired)	4/24/2002
#Hirschman, Portia Royall Conn (retired)	6/3/2002
Dawson, Adrien Portia	6/8/2002
Robinson, Allen Florence	11/1/2002
Chappell, Annette Mary (retired)	6/14/2003
Stanley, Mark Andrew	4/2/2004
#McDonnell, Brian Kevin (retired)	6/5/2004
#Reid-Levy, Schelly	6/5/2004
Davisson, Mary Helen Thomsen	6/12/2004
O'Leary, Jane	6/24/2004
#Boyd, Virginia Ann (retired)	7/29/2004
#Holland, Eleanor Lois (retired)	10/4/2004
#LeBlanc, Frances Andre (retierd)	11/11/2004
#Bonadie, Leroy Rowland (retired)	2/1/2005
Eliot, Mary Ashley	2/4/2005
#Wizorek, Julie C. (retired)	2/23/2005
#Wilkerson, Charles Edward (retired)	6/4/2005
Joyner-Giffin, Sally Burt	6/11/2005

White, M. Joanna	6/15/2005
Kroh, Timothy Edward	7/2/2005
Larson, Wayne Harold	10/25/2005
#Looney, Kristen Fishbaugh	10/29/2005
Showers, David Gordon	10/29/2005
#Stanley, Mary Luck	11/29/2005
Penner, Loree Anne	1/25/2006
Anderson, William Clarence (retired)	2/10/2006
Smith, Jennifer Ovenstone	4/26/2006
Mercer, Charles Spencer	5/25/2006
McCarty, Steven Lynn	6/10/2006
#To'alepai, Meki (retired)	6/10/2006
Stewart, Caroline Rinehart	6/24/2006
Van Klaveren, Dina Els	6/24/2006
#Bruce, Tracy Ann	9/1/2006
#Oak, Carol Pinkham (retired)	9/1/2006
#Pagano, Joseph Samuel	11/13/2006
#Richter, Amy Elizabeth	11/13/2006
#Ingalls, Arthur Bradford (retired)	11/28/2006
#Truiett, Melvin Edward (retired)	12/21/2006
#Earls, John G.	4/18/2007
Doran, Michelle Stuart	6/2/2007
#Martin, Lydia Adriana Peter (retired)	6/2/2007
#McCoy, Robert Martin (retired)	6/2/2007
Grayson, Timothy Holiday	6/16/2007
Scarborough, Anjel Lorraine	6/16/2007
Thompson, Mickie Dion	6/16/2007
Szobota, Nicholas Stephen	9/11/2007
#Orens, Elizabeth Mills Pickering (retired)	12/5/2007
So-Schoos, Alistair Hong	12/13/2007
Carskadon, Garrett Harvey	12/21/2007
Hudson, Thomas James	12/21/2007
#Tchamala, Theodore	3/20/2008
Bradford, Lewis Gabriel	6/7/2008
Hollis, Linda Lee Benson	6/7/2008
Byrne, Anne Spottswood Chamblin	7/5/2008
#Stromwell, Gloria Regina	7/5/2008
Crosby, Karen Ann	7/6/2008
#Goldbloom, Ruth Alice	7/6/2008
Bourdeau, Mary Ellen	9/7/2008
Babcock, Lori Hale	3/12/2009

Landers, Gail Joan	6/6/2009
Martin, John Charles	6/6/2009
Lindh-Payne, Kristofer Hans	6/13/2009
#Wright, Stuart Wayne	6/26/2009
Ellis, Malcolm Arthur	9/3/2009
Rodriguez, Hector Raul	10/4/2009
#Brown, Mary Hartwell (retired)	10/5/2009
#Ley Hayek, Hal Thomas	10/21/2009
#Jacobs, Allston	1/7/2010
Stewart-Sicking, Joseph	1/7/2010
Stewart-Sicking, Megan Elizabeth	1/8/2010
Hailey, Victor Curtis	1/21/2010
Bell, William Reed	1/26/2010
#Webster, Daniel Joseph	2/16/2010
Kefauver Olsen, Meredith	5/20/2010
Holthus, Jessica Trout	6/19/2010
#Paglinauan, Maria Cristina Cafugaun	6/19/2010
Mayer, Peter Woodrich	1/28/2011
McCall, Ramelle Lorenzo	6/4/2011
#Wakeman, Nancy Ann	6/4/2011
#Warner, Anthony Francis (retired)	6/7/2011
#Saunders, Kenneth Hope	6/30/2011
Allen, Thomas Wynn	9/8/2011
Johnson, Marta D. V.	10/24/2011
Ellison, Monique A.	1/27/2012
Rice, Arianne	2/14/2012
Dreisbach, Christopher	6/2/2012
Fadely, Diane Camille (retired)	6/2/2012
Keller, Susan S.	8/30/2012
#Erdman, Nathan Andrew	1/19/2013
Watts, Sharon L. Jones	1/19/2013
Santana, Rosa Margarita	2/13/2013
Callender, Randy Kyle	4/10/2013
Brown, Neva Wilkins	6/1/2013
Conway, Natalie Hall	6/1/2013
Shahinian, Katharine Trumbull	6/1/2013
Carroll, Diana Elizabeth	9/17/2013
#Solon, Robert Francis, Jr.	9/17/2013
#Maniyatt, John Kuriakose	9/18/2013
#Slawson, Henry Thomas, III	11/19/2013
Lee, Wan Hong (Barnabas)	12/17/2013

Nicholson, Anne Louise	1/11/2014
Perra, James Francis	1/11/2014
#Barker, Paula, Datsko (retired)	4/15/2014
De La Vars, Gordon John	4/28/2014
Hamilton, James Gary	5/14/2014
#Schuler, Rock Hal	6/5/2014
DeVore, Kirk Eugene	6/14/2014
Frederick, Robert John	6/14/2014
Rogers, Matthew Arnold	6/14/2014
Rodriguez-Hobbs, Joshua	10/15/2014
#Anderson, E. Bernard	1/10/2015
Hayes, John Michael	1/10/2015
Nsengiyumva, Samuel	1/26/2015
Smith, Travis K.	3/3/2015
Coghill MacNabb, Anne	3/19/2015
Poling, Jason Alder	6/7/2015
#Martin, Rene Elizabeth	6/10/2015
Elder, Ruth Annette	6/13/2015
Bailey, Frank Hudson	9/10/2015
Wiley, Henrietta Lovejoy	9/10/2015
#Hart, John Joseph	9/12/2015
Krantz, Kristen	9/29/2015
Ware, David James	9/30/2015
Conliffe, Mario R.	10/6/2015
Cochran, Joseph Miller	11/30/2015
Hatcher, Spencer Elizabeth	1/16/2016
Hennessey, Nancy Hoffman	1/16/2016
Myers, Amy Slaughter	1/16/2016
Sexton, Jessica Elaine	1/16/2016
Wood, Joseph Andrew	1/16/2016
Boulter, Robert James	3/22/2016
Maggiano, Grey Scott	4/5/2016
Hanisian, Matthew Raymond	5/12/2016
Boyd, Linda Koerber	6/11/2016
Christopher, Cynthia Ann	6/11/2016
Vigil, Servando (Vaughn)	6/11/2016
Humm, R. Matthew	9/13/2016
#Ellis, Nana Kwasi	10/20/2016
Young, G. Todd	12/8/2016
Bellner, Elisabeth Ann	1/11/2017
Tetrault, Joanne Russell	1/15/2017

#McClain, Daniel Wade	1/15/2017
Conrad, Pamela G.	1/15/2017
Sulerud, Mary Catherine Miller	1/31/2017
Noon, Anna Catherine Christian	2/9/2017
# Brownridge, Walter B. A.	5/11/2017
Oldfather, Susan Kay	6/6/2017
Kelly, Joan Hickey Kelly	6/10/2017
Leslie, Jo Marie	6/10/2017
Whitehair, Eric Ian	6/10/2017
Zeren, Corby	6/10/2017
Kuria, Janet Kabui	7/8/2017
Ritonia, Ann M.	9/6/2017
Holton, Eddie	9/14/2017
#Verdon, John Thomas	9/17/2017
Sipos, Elizabeth Anne	10/4/2017
#Garcia, Christopher M.	12/1/2017
Keyes, Samuel N.	12/7/2017
Bornt, Lisa Ashley	1/13/2018
Bunker, Robert Monroe	1/13/2018
#Daynes, Taylor Darlington	1/13/2018
Lipscomb, Leonard Scott	1/13/2018
Sachs, Patti Luann	1/13/2018
Hual, Jeffrey Charles	2/6/2018
Mercer, Emmanuel A.	3/2/2018

Clergy Who Have Died Since the Last Convention

Albert Theodore Eastman (89)	April 26, 2018
William Jesse Redmon (86)	August 19, 2018
Lance Allen Ball Gifford (74)	November 20, 2018
Gloria Regina Stromwell (79)	December 10, 2018
William Eugene Bolin (78)	February, 7, 2019
Joan Hickey Kelly (56)	March 23, 2019
Robert Edmund Daly, Jr. (82)	April 3, 2019

Bishops of the Diocese of Maryland

The Right Reverend Thomas John Claggett, D.D. (5)
1792-1816

The Right Reverend James Kemp, D.D. (15)
Suffragan, 1814
1816-1827

The Right Reverend William Murray Stone, D.D. (23)
1830-1838

The Right Reverend William Rollinson Whittingham, D.D. (36)
1840-1879

The Right Reverend William Pinkney, D.D. (97)
Coadjutor, 1870
Diocesan, 1879-1883

The Right Reverend William Paret, D.D. (137)
1885-1911

The Right Reverend John Gardner Murray, D.D. (243)
Coadjutor, 1909
Diocesan, 1911-1929

The Right Reverend Edward Trail Helfenstein, D.D. (354)
Coadjutor, 1926
Diocesan, 1929-1943

The Right Reverend Noble Cilley Powell, D.D. (428)
Coadjutor, 1941
Diocesan, 1943-1963

The Right Reverend Harry Lee Doll, D.D. (535)
Suffragan, 1955
Coadjutor, 1958
Diocesan, 1963-1971

The Right Reverend David Keller Leighton, Sr., D.D. (639)
Coadjutor, 1968
Diocesan, 1972-1985

The Right Reverend William Jackson Cox, D.D. (684)
Suffragan, 1972-1980

The Right Reverend Albert Theodore Eastman, L.H.D. (767)

Coadjutor, 1982
Diocesan, 1986-1994

The Right Reverend Barry Valentine, D.D. (810)

Assistant Bishop, 1986-1988

The Right Reverend Charles Lindsay Longest, D.D. (848)

Suffragan, 1989-1997

The Right Reverend Robert Wilkes Ihloff, D.D. (909)

1995-2007

The Right Reverend Donald Purple Hart (817)

Assisting Bishop, 1997-1998

The Right Reverend John Leslie Rabb (942)

Suffragan, 1998-2010

The Right Reverend Eugene Taylor Sutton (1030)

2008-

The Right Reverend Joe Goodwin Burnett (985)

Assistant Bishop, 2011-2013

The Right Reverend Heather Cook (1083)

Suffragan, 2014-2015

The Right Reverend Chilton R. Knudsen (938)

Assistant Bishop, 2015-2018

Lay Delegates & Lay Alternates to 2018 Convention

Church	Delegate	Alternate
Advent, Baltimore	Paul Bragaw	
All Hallows, Davidsonville	Jan Power	
All Saints', Frederick	Joanne Deveney	Rebecca Couture
	Tommy Turbyville	
All Saints', Reisterstown	Jeff Mauler	Patricia Reier

All Saints', Sunderland	Ken McKenzie	Margaret Turner
Ascension, Deer Creek	David McMullen	Sandra McMullen
Ascension, Westminster	Buck Lyon-Vaiden	
Cathedral of the Incarnation	Barbara Ruble	Patricia Leach
	Margo Landon	
Christ Church, Columbia	Sonni Aribiah	
	Rose Kirby	
	Simone Kolnik	
	Denis Read	
Christ Church, Port Republic	Russell Costley	Sandra Hall
Christ Church, Rock Spring	Lois Tidey	
Christ Church, West River	Elsie Whitman	Shelly Collinson
Christ the King, Woodlawn	Paulette Hammond	Don Hooper
Church on the Square	Kasey Sedar	
Emmanuel, Baltimore	Richard Fawcett	
Emmanuel, Bel Air	Dorothy Ward	
Emmanuel, Cumberland	Barbara English-Bonadie	Ken Winters
	Diana Beverlin	
Epiphany, Odenton	Donald Deen	
Epiphany, Timonium	Linda Wilson	Jay Boggs
Good Shepherd, Towson	Hillary Shaffe	
Grace, Brunswick	Kathleen Smith-Jones	
Grace, Elkridge	Robert Puppa	
Grace, New Market	Angela Furlong	Joanna Sutphin
Grace, Darlington	Anne Burton	Pauline Koszoru
Grace & St. Peter's, Baltimore	Ellen Gifford	
Guardian Angel	Whitney Treseder	
Harriet Chapel, Catoclin Parish	James Rauth	
Holy Apostles, Baltimore	Lisa Sloyer	Joella Lubaszewski
Holy Comforter, Lutherville	Patricia Middleton-Streett	Sarah Bomgardner
Holy Covenant, Baltimore	Carolyn McLendon	
Holy Cross, The Rocks	Carol Mullins	
Holy Nativity, Baltimore	Stacey Brown	Shayla Speaks
Holy Trinity, Baltimore	Curtis Landen	Lakecia Lewis
Holy Trinity, Churchville	Elizabeth Pratt	
Holy Trinity, Essex	Christine Kinard	Michele Alves
Immanuel, Glencoe	Susan Baxter	Doug Whatley
Memorial, Baltimore	Lois Eldred	Alice Peake
Messiah, Baltimore	Jacquelyn Gutman	
Middleham & St. Peter's, Lusby	Sally Ray	Anne Gross
	Jacqueline Vos	
Nativity, Cedarcroft	Douglas Vaughan	Sue Fowler
Redeemer, Baltimore	David Pantle	
	Alison King	

Redemption, Locust Point*	Pete Partridge	
Resurrection, Baltimore	Gloria Amaya	
Resurrection, Copley Parish*		
Sherwood, Cockeysville	Sheila Fitzgerald	Stephanie Everts
St. Alban's, Glen Burnie	Betsy Kramer	
St. Andrew the Fisherman, Mayo		
St. Andrew's, Clear Spring	Kuthi Rose	Maryglenn Bare
St. Andrew's, Glenwood	Gilliam Conley	
	Carol Evans	
St. Andrew's, Pasadena	William Ryals	
St. Anne's, Annapolis	Ann Carlson	Larry Earle
	Patricia Poffel	
	Caroline Purdy	
	Clay Richards	
St. Anne's, Smithsburg		
St. Barnabas', Sykesville	J. Wayne Pugh	
St. Bartholomew's, Baltimore	Steven Dethridge	
St. Christopher's, Linthicum Heights	Jean Kennedy	
St. David's, Roland Park	Warren Boutilier	Carolyn Janowski
	Polly Douglass	
St. George's, Hampstead	Leah Rayburn	
St. George's, Mount Savage	Karen Preston	Sharon Logsdon
St. George & St. Matthew's, Dundalk		
St. Hilda's, Catonsville		
St. James', Baltimore	Charles Johnson	Ellie Lopez
	Viveca Thomason-Smith	
St. James', Lothian	Mariamne Okrzesik	Marjie Mack
	Susan Tabatsko	Charles Wolf
St. James', Monkton	Chris Maddix	
St. James', Mt. Airy	Carla Kaufman	
St. James', Parkton	Dottie Arthur	Susan Kaliush
St. James', Westernport	Judith Mason	Donna Martin
St. John's, Deer Park	Carol Voelkel	Mike Voelkel
St. John's, Ellicott City	Ronald Buchman	
	David Bunnell	
	T. James Truby	
St. John's, Frostburg	Gail Rhodes	
St. John's, Hagerstown	Joyce Chabot	
	Karla Davis	
St. John's, Havre de Grace	William Price	
St. John's, Kingsville	Marguerite Lobb	Maxine Rising
St. John's, Mt. Washington	Georgia Hilliard	
St. John's, Western Run	Pamela Cochran	
	Lee Carpenter	
St. John's in the Village, Baltimore	Jamelia Maher	Bard Wickkiser
St. Katharine of Alexandria, Baltimore	Eileen Bridgelall	Lynda Siggers
St. Luke's, Eastport	Johanna Wilson	Richard Wilson-Smith
St. Luke's, Baltimore	Andre Liggins	
St. Luke's, Brownsville	Robert Markle	

St. Margaret's, Annapolis	Kathy Lang Maggy Cullman Joanna Tillman	
St. Mark's, Highland	Mimi Ondov	Ron Stup
St. Mark's, Lappans	Mary O'Hara	
St. Mark's on-the-Hill, Pikesville	Margaret Schotto	
St. Martin's in-the-Field, Severna Park	Mark Kellogg Daniel Sturgeon Dan Tootle	
St. Mary's, Emmorton		
St. Mary's, Woodlawn	Laura Zeller	
St. Mary the Virgin, Baltimore	Robin Roberson	Leatrice Curtis
St. Matthew's, Oakland	Mary Dore	Paul Durham
St. Matthias', Baltimore		
St. Michael and All Angels, Baltimore	Jeffrey Walker	
St. Paul's, Baltimore	Kate Mead-Brewer Keith Murray Carrie Brown Toni Lake	
St. Paul's, Mount Airy		
St. Paul's, Point of Rocks		
St. Paul's, Prince Frederick		
St. Paul's, Sharpsburg	John Aldis	
St. Peter's, Ellicott City	Donald Cahoon	Stacie Parsells
St. Peter's, Lonaconing	April Johnson	
St. Philip's, Annapolis	Orion Jones	
St. Stephen's, Severn Parish	George Shahinian	James Dietrich
St. Thomas', Hancock	Tracy Salvagno	Pamela Mann
St. Thomas', Garrison Forest	O. James Talbott William Stewart Raymond Payne Amy Shimonkevitz	
St. Thomas', Towson		
Transfiguration, Braddock Heights		
Trinity, Elkridge	Herb Malveaux	Victor Nimmo
Trinity, Long Green	Michael Berry	Katie Curran
Trinity, Towson	Dennis King Nancy Nicholson	James Thierer

**Delegate was not seated as 2017 parochial report was not completed.*

Youth Delegates & Alternates to 2018 Convention

Region	Delegate	Alternate
Anne Arundel	Emma Ruberg	Katrina Schultz
Baltimore North	Willis Morales	
Baltimore South	Mary Jackson	
Frederick	Stephen Percy	
Harford County		
Patapsco Valley		

Southern Maryland
Washington County
Western Maryland