

**EPISCOPAL DIOCESE
OF
EASTERN OREGON**

47th ANNUAL CONVENTION

October 13-15, 2017

Bend, Oregon

PRE-CONVENTION JOURNAL



**The Right Reverend Patrick Bell
Bishop**

WELCOMING THE STRANGER



PRACTICING RADICAL HOSPITALITY

“For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us”

Ephesians 2:14

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Bishop's Welcome

With a most grateful heart I welcome us together again as the Diocese of Eastern Oregon meets for the 47th Diocesan Convention.

This year's gathering has a twist to it that may not be apparent, at least in the beginning. This is the first time we meet under the direction of a Diocesan Convention Committee, established by decision of Convention last year and appointed by action of Diocesan Council. So while we are very grateful to Trinity Episcopal Church for the use of their facility and for much support in making the transition this year to a new means of offering Convention, they are not actually hosting the gathering in the traditional sense. They are providing the site for our meeting, but the new Committee has become responsible for the arrangements and ongoing support over our weekend together. I want to thank them for their willingness and energy to engage a new model which I believe will be most useful to us as we move into our future.

I am most pleased to welcome Dr. Arthur Sutherland, Associate Professor of Theology at Loyola University Maryland, as our keynote presenter. His topic, emanating from the theme for Convention, will be, "Being Hospitable People: Broken Walls, Crossed Boundaries, and Uncommon Community." In addition, I am most blessed to welcome back to Eastern Oregon my dear friend, Juli Stratton, as an adjunct presenter. She is Executive Director and co-founder of the North Idaho Pride Alliance. Her two workshops are entitled, "Choose All of Us: Moving Beyond Tolerance Towards True Inclusion" and "From Vision to Action: Creating Social Change One Story at a Time, One Person at a Time"

A significant portion of our time together will also address the twin needs of Leadership and Congregational Development, facilitated by the members of our own Commission on Ministry. I am truly excited by the work they have been doing and the opportunities they will be presenting to us.

So let us gather with open hearts and open minds as the Spirit of the Holy One meets us in these present moments of Holy Opportunity.

Gratefully,

+Patrick

Welcome from the Convention Committee

Good People of God:

Welcome to the 47th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon, “Welcoming the Stranger: Practicing Radical Hospitality”. We will gather 13-15th October in Bend to receive the Bishop’s Address, hear presentations by Dr. Arthur Sutherland and Juli Stratton, and enjoy the efficient and gracious hospitality of the Rector and people of Trinity Church.

This year, and for the next two conventions, arrangements are being made by a newly-appointed Convention Committee. This approach is designed to relieve the local congregations and Diocesan Staff of the planning and labor required to stage a convention, and to give continuity to that planning. Convention in 2018 will be in The Gorge, at The Hood River Inn, hosted by St Marks, Hood River, and St Paul’s, The Dalles. In 2019, we will gather at Ascension School in Cove. Afterwards, Central Oregon, the Gorge and Ascension will be the locales for the next three conventions.

Dr. Arthur Sutherland, Associate Professor of Theology at Loyola College in Maryland, is Keynote for our Convention. Dr. Sutherland’s book, I Was a Stranger: A Christian Theology of Hospitality (Abingdon Press, 2006) will enrich your convention experience. Juli Stratton, back by popular demand, will be presenting workshops in tandem with Dr. Sutherland. Continuing the Bishop’s emphasis on Christian hospitality, Dr. Sutherland will present his keynote address in St Helen’s Hall on Saturday morning, and he and Julie will offer two workshops each in the afternoon. A crafts workshop, “Welcoming the Stranger – Gifts of Hospitality” will be offered twice in the afternoon. The Bishop and Committee felt, after reading last year’s evaluations, that offering three workshops would allow more people to engage the presenters and help enrich the focus on our theme.

Worship is scheduled in Trinity, and meetings are planned there and at The Boys and Girls Club, just across the street from Trinity. Display tables will be set up at the Boys and Girls Club on Saturday, on the lower level, and you are invited to spend time there with groups and vendors who have something to offer us. And at the Convention Eucharist on Sunday in St Helen’s Hall, the United Thank Offering will be received from the congregations in the Diocese.

Perhaps best of all, the Annual Convention is where we are one family, gathered for learning, fellowship, laughter and prayer. It is a time for friends to reconnect, ideas to be shared, and for the spirit of the Diocese and the Spirit among us to be celebrated. Details follow in the Pre-Convention Journal. See you in Bend!

Your Convention Committee:

Patti Knollman, All Saints of the Cascades, Sunriver **Linda Quinn**, St Matthew’s, Ontario
Bill Brisson, Trinity, Bend **Flossie Keeler**, Church of the Redeemer, Pendleton
The Rev. Marilyn Roth, St Mark’s, Hood River and St Paul’s, The Dalles
The Rev. Roy Green, All Saints of the Cascades, Sunriver



47th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon

Bend, Oregon
October 13-15, 2017

Welcoming the Stranger Practicing radical hospitality

Schedule

Friday, October 13, 2017

Friday events are at Trinity Episcopal Church, Bend

- 3:00 – 6:30 p.m. **Registration** *Resource Room 108 at Trinity Hall*
Diocesan Committee Meetings —*check with your committee chair for details*
- 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. **Eastern Oregon Episcopal Foundation Annual Meeting** *SHH Sanctuary*
- 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. **Eastern Oregon Episcopal Foundation Trustees Meeting** *SHH Room 102*
- 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. **Episcopal Relief and Development Coordinators Meeting** *Trinity Hall Sanctuary*
- 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. **Supper** *Brooks Hall*
- 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. **Budget Review** *SHH Sanctuary*
- 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. **Call to Order**
Ascension School Report —Kim McClain
Bishop's Address *SHH Sanctuary*

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Saturday, October 14, 2017

Saturday's Events are Trinity Episcopal Church and the Boys and Girls Club, Bend

- 7:00 a.m. **Registration** *Resource Room 108 at Trinity Hall*
- 7:00 a.m. **12 Step Meeting** *Trinity Hall Room 001*
- 8:00 a.m. **Business Session I** *Trinity Hall Sanctuary*
- 9:00 a.m. **COM Presentation**
- 10:45 a.m. **Break** *Brooks Hall*
- 11:00 a.m. **Keynote Speaker: Dr. Arthur Sutherland** *SHH Sanctuary*

**SHH = St. Helens Hall*

- 12:00 p.m. **Noonday Prayer and Necrology**
Lunch *Boys and Girls Club*
Cove Copy Meeting *Boys and Girls Club*
- 1:00 p.m. **Table Discussions** *Boys and Girls Club*
- 2:00 p.m. **Break**
- 2:15-3:15 p.m. **Workshops Session 1**
- Dr. Arthur Sutherland *SHH Sanctuary*
 - Juli Stratton *Brooks Hall*
 - Welcoming the Stranger -Gifts of Hospitality- *Family Kitchen*
- 3:15 p.m. **Break- Refreshments in Brooks Hall**
- 3:30-4:30 p.m. **Workshops Session 2**
- Dr. Arthur Sutherland *SHH Sanctuary*
 - Juli Stratton *Brooks Hall*
 - Welcoming the Stranger -Gifts of Hospitality – *Family Kitchen*
- 4:45-5:30 **Business Session II** *Trinity Hall Sanctuary*
- 6:00-6:30 p.m. **Social Time-No Host Bar** *Boys and Girls Club*
- 6:30 p.m. **Banquet** *Boys and Girls Club*

Sunday, October 15, 2017

Sunday's Events are at Trinity Episcopal Church, Bend

- 8:00 a.m. **Business Session III** *SHH Sanctuary*
- 9:30 a.m. **Break**
Clergy vesting, preparation for Eucharist in SHH Room 102
- 10:00 a.m. **Convention Eucharist** *SHH Sanctuary*
- UTO Ingathering

Clergy Picture SHH Altar Steps

Adjournment, Grab and Go Lunch offered to all in Brooks Hall

We are encouraging everyone to bring your own water bottles to Convention. There will be water filling stations set up for your convenience.

**SHH = St. Helens Hall*

*Display tables
will be set up at the Boys and Girls Club on Saturday.
Please take the time to visit and see what our friends have to share!*

Directions

**Trinity Episcopal Church
469 NW Wall Street
Bend, Oregon 97703**

From US-97 North or US-97 South

- Take Exit 138 toward Downtown/Mt. Bachelor
- Turn Right onto Colorado Ave.
- Turn Right onto Bond Street
- Turn Left onto Idaho Ave. (Cross Wall St. and the St. Helens parking lot will be on the left.)
- Turn Left on Broadway (then guide left at the 3-way stop)
- Turn Left onto NW St. Helen’s Place – Trinity will be on the right, St. Helens on the left.

From US-20 West

- Turn left off of US-20 West onto NE 8th Street
- At the traffic circle, take the 1st exit onto NE Franklin Ave.
- Turn Left onto NW Wall St. – Trinity is directly in front of you 1 block past the library
- Turn right onto NW Idaho Ave, in front of Trinity.

**Boys and Girls Club of Bend
500 NW Wall Street
Bend, OR 97701**

The Boys and Girls Club of Bend is located directly across the street from Trinity Episcopal Church on the corner of Wall Street and NW Idaho Ave. See the map insert.

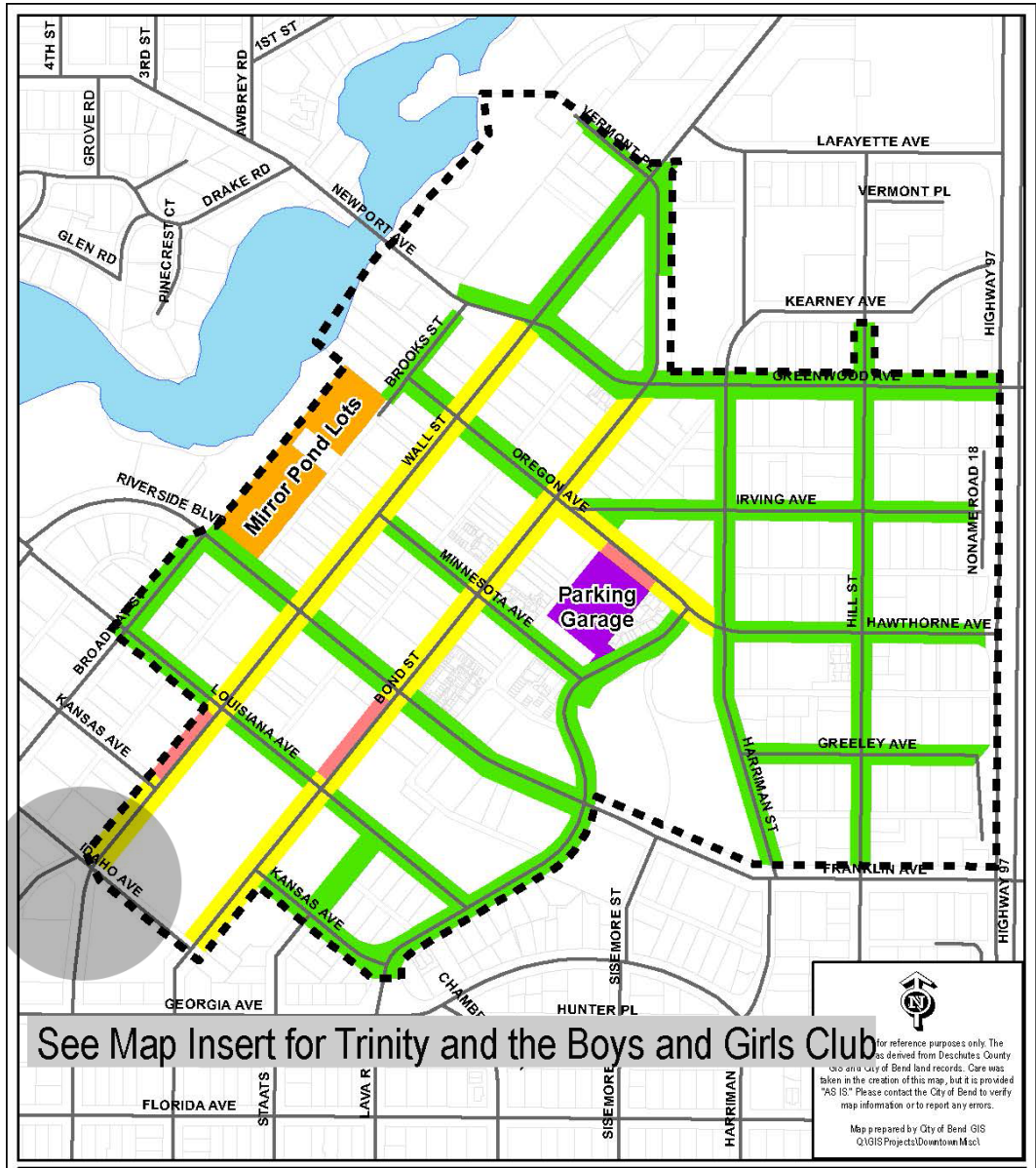
Parking

Please refer to the large map of the Bend Downtown Streets. Parking is controlled Monday through Saturday from 8 am to 6 pm on the streets that are indicated in green and yellow. YOU WILL BE TICKETED if your vehicle stays longer than 2 hours on those streets during those times.

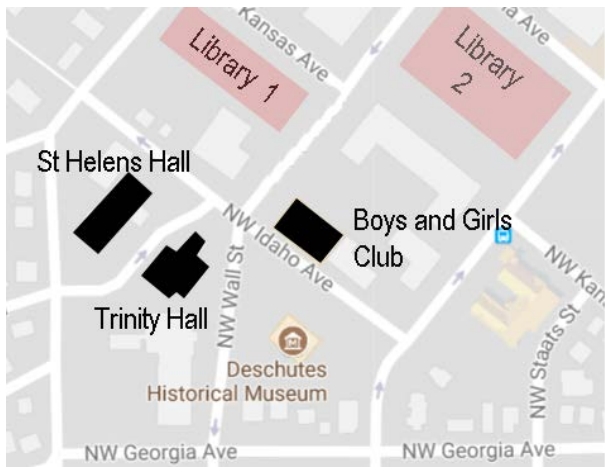
There is also a length restriction for vehicles parked on the yellow streets, your vehicle must fit within the length of the painted white lines on the street

Off-Street Parking Options:

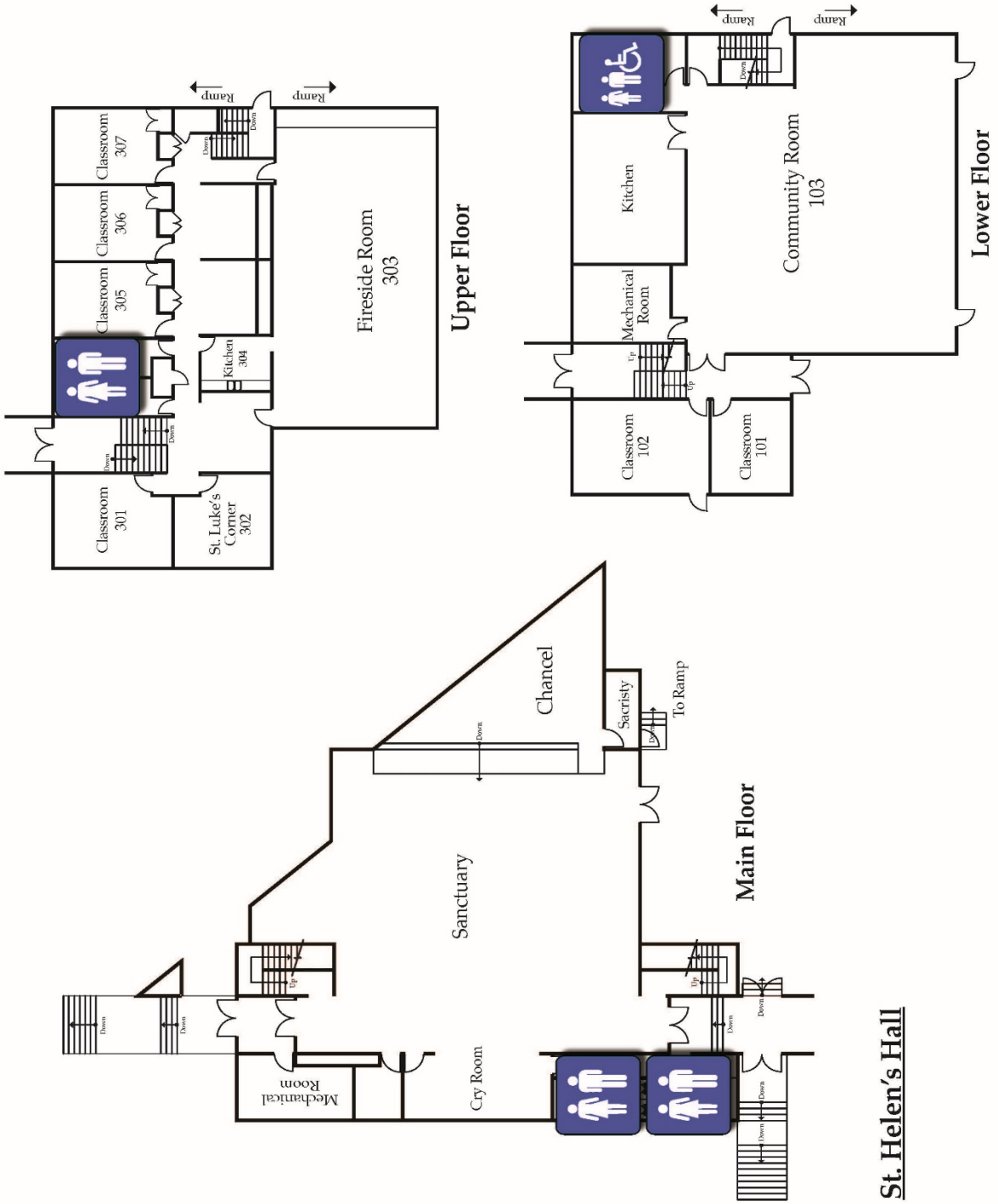
Parking Garage	Pay Mon – Fri 8am to 6pm	3 hrs free Sat-Sun - Free all day	\$5 for day
Mirror Pond Lot	Pay Mon – Sat 8am to 6pm	2 hours free	\$1 for each hour
Library 1	Library Use Only	You may use on Sunday morning	
Library 2	No days or times posted	2 hours free	
Deschutes Historical Museum	You may use their lot after 5pm on Saturday and all day Sunday.		



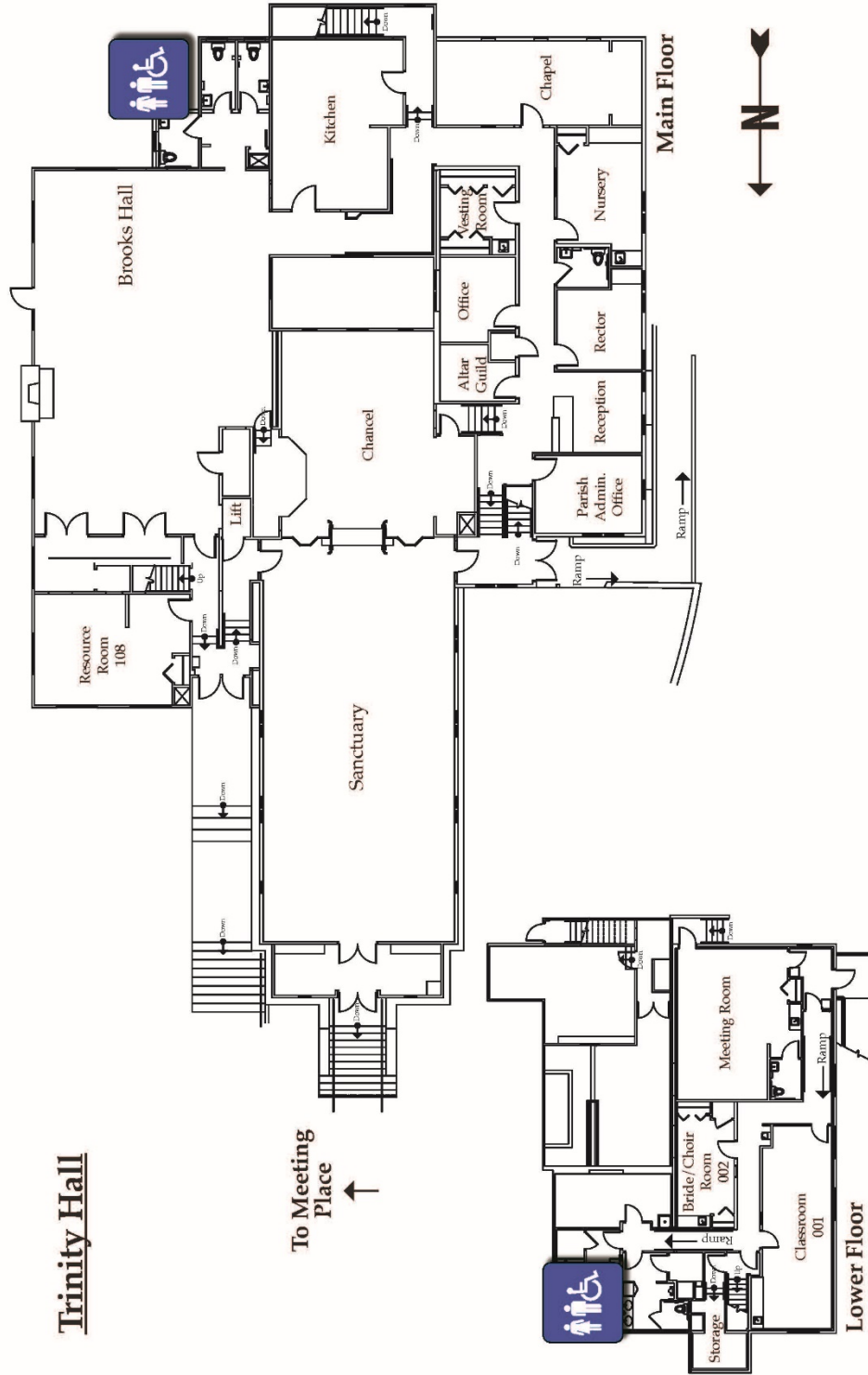
See Map Insert for Trinity and the Boys and Girls Club



Map of Trinity Campus



Trinity Hall



Keynote Speaker



Dr. Arthur M. Sutherland is an Associate Professor of Theology at Loyola University Maryland in Baltimore and Dean of the Class of 2020. He has advanced degrees from Yale University Divinity School and Princeton Theological Seminary. He did research in Germany and Switzerland for his doctoral dissertation entitled "Christology and Discipleship in the Sermons of Karl Barth 1913-1916." He has received fellowships from the Fund for Theological Education, the Association for Religion and Intellectual Life, the Christian Scholars Fund, and the Wabash Center for the Teaching of Theology and Religion. His research interests are in the history of Christian doctrine, African-American theology, and theological patience. He has made presentations to churches and academic organizations across the United States and internationally. He is currently writing a commentary on Ezekiel for Westminster/John Knox Press. Before moving to Baltimore, he served as a minister for a small church in Windsor, CT.

His book *I Was a Stranger: A Theology of Christian Hospitality* which addresses topics like immigration, exile, and violence, was nominated to receive the Grawemeyer Award for Religion. His work has been featured in USA Today and other publications. His current research interest concerns the spirituality of generosity, particularly the uses of money in the New Testament. His lovely wife Mary shares his interest in community activism, home schooling, and good food from scratch. His son Ethan is six; his daughter Gabrielle is eight.

Special Guest



Juli Stratton is the Executive Director and co-founder of the North Idaho Pride Alliance, a non-profit organization that focuses on community organizing, LGBT education and advocacy.

In addition to working with the North Idaho Pride Alliance, and other local organizations, Juli also serves on the Leadership Action Team for the Pride Foundation.

Juli is the primary LGBT educator and trainer in north Idaho and has presented to health care and mental health providers, social workers, public health professionals, social work students, criminal justice professionals, and various community groups. Juli holds a Master's degree in Counseling and Community Services from the University of Illinois at Springfield and is the owner of Stratton Consulting.

Convention Committee Appointments

Nominations Committee: (Task: to recruit and encourage candidates for open positions on Diocesan Council and Standing Committee, with a focus on encouraging representation from each Convocation.)

The Rev. Jed Holdorph, Standing Committee	Trinity, Bend
The Rev. Georgia Giacobbe, Diocesan Council	St. Paul's, The Dalles
Bill Taylor, Diocesan Council	Redeemer, Pendleton
Marjorie Thelen, Diocesan Council	St. Andrew's, Burns
Kim McClain, Standing Committee	St. Peter's, La Grande

Resolutions: (Task: to evaluate resolutions and present them to the Convention, with recommendation for action, or, in some cases to return them to their makers. The Committee does not have to deal with the resolutions that are introduced with various reports. The Committee also prepares Courtesy Resolutions. The Committee may also respond to the Bishop's Address, proposing action by Convention and the diocese in the form of recommendations or resolutions, as appropriate.)

The Rev. Jed Holdorph-Chair	Trinity, Bend
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Tellers: (Task: to distribute items including ballots and to count ballots and report elections to the President of the Convention.) (Need 6)

Adrienne Brown	Transfiguration, Sisters
The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake	St. Stephen's, Baker City
The Rev. Mary Lujan	St. Mark's, Hood River
Vicki Mosier	St. Matthew's, Ontario
Jim Spell	St. Thomas, Canyon City

Convention Offering: (Task: to recommend recipients of the Convention offerings.)

Diocesan Council has accepted appointment as the Convention Offering Committee and has designated the 2017 Convention offering go to support Family Kitchen in Bend, Oregon.

Time and Place of 2018 Diocesan Convention:

Best Western Hood River Inn, Hood River

October 19-21, 2018

Treasurer's Letter

Dear Friends in Christ:

The 2018 budget reflects our need to:

- ❖ Proactively assess our infrastructure at Ascension School.
- ❖ Address our Bishop's goals of creating and offering effective programs that will help our Parishes meet current needs and encourage their growth and prosperity.
- ❖ Maintain our valued Diocesan employees at an equitable level of employment while maneuvering the ever-changing Affordable Care Act (ACA.)

Keeping those thoughts in mind, the budget projects income to be the approximately the same as the current year and expenditures slightly higher.

A few items to specifically note in the 2018 budget are:

- ❖ This is a deficit budget reflecting a shortfall of \$10,382. Of that amount, \$5,090 is attributable to Ascension School and \$5,292 is attributable to EDEO. To put that in clear perspective, out of a total budget of \$794,182 the deficit is 1.3%. Because we budget expenses high and income low I believe we can manage the deficit on a monthly basis and that we will be in balance by the end of 2018.
- ❖ Projected assessment Income is in keeping with what we are seeing in the current year to date.
- ❖ Programs for Parishes – Bishop Bell has introduced two new programs designed to help our Parishes grow. With the approval of Council, these programs are funded in this budget. The first (Project Resource) will provide fund-raising training by the mother church for small Parishes. The second (IONA) provides a training path to church leadership for laypersons in our Parishes. For example, a path to Senior Warden, Treasurer, Deacon or even raising a Priest etc., at no cost to the applicant or the Parish.
- ❖ We are currently looking at ways to reduce employee benefit costs without adversely affecting our employees. We will make those decisions later in the year. Those possible savings have not been reflected in this budget.

All of our audits are up to date with no discrepancies. We are currently working with both our auditors and our accountant to resolve "opening balance" issues stemming from our conversion to Quick Books. I want to stress that this is not an issue with actual fiscal funds. It is merely an issue with the way they are represented on our balance sheet. We hope to have these issues resolved by Convention.

We will again have time on Friday evening of Convention between 6 and 7pm for a close examination of the entire budget. Please bring your specific questions to that session so that "floor time" at Convention on Saturday can be minimized on budget details.

Peace and Blessings,
Randy Heise, Treasurer

2018 Budget

EDEO Operating Fund
2018 Budget

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					2016 Year End		2017 Budget	2017 Projections		2018 Budget
1	Ordinary Income/Expense									
2	Income									
6						\$320,000.00	\$370,000.00	\$370,000.00	\$370,000.00	\$370,000.00
8						\$3,038.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
12										
13				Duncan		\$21,055.00	\$10,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
14				Convention Income						\$10,000.00
15				Total Other Income		\$21,055.00	\$10,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$20,000.00	
16				Grants /Loans						
17				Found. Grant Retired Clergy Ins.		\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$8,400.00	\$8,400.00	\$8,400.00
18				· Misc. Grant		\$11,425.00	\$17,450.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
19				Total Grants/Loans		\$21,425.00	\$27,450.00	\$8,400.00	\$8,400.00	\$8,400.00
23				Total Investment Income		\$43,000.00	\$43,000.00	\$43,000.00	\$45,000.00	
24				Carry Over			\$40,153.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
25				Transfer In						
26				Ministry Formation		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,700.00	\$12,700.00
27				Strategic Dev. Fund		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
28				Medical Reserve Class 66		\$0.00	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00
29										
30				Total Transfer In		\$0.00	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00	\$27,700.00	
32										
33				Total EDEO Income		\$408,518.00	\$501,603.00	\$438,400.00	\$471,100.00	
34				Ascension School Income		\$0.00	\$284,915.00	\$284,915.00	\$312,700.00	\$312,700.00
35				Total Income		\$408,518.00	\$786,518.00	\$723,315.00	\$783,800.00	

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	Ordinary Income/Expense								
	2016 Year End								
	2017 Budget								
	2017 Projections								
	2018 Budget								
1									
36									
37									
38				The Larger Church					
39				EMO-Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
40				Province VIII	\$1,600.00	\$1,672.00	\$1,672.00	\$1,672.00	\$1,700.00
41				TEC - The Episcopal Church	\$49,452.00	\$48,565.00	\$48,565.00	\$48,565.00	\$36,600.00
42				Theological Education - IONA	\$0.00	\$4,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,000.00
43				The Larger Church	\$53,052.00	\$56,437.00	\$52,237.00	\$52,237.00	\$48,300.00
44				Offerings					
45				SDG's - Sustainable Dev. Goals	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	\$3,000.00
46				Offerings	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	\$3,000.00
47				Ministry Support					
48				Diocesan Commissions					
49				Diversity Commission	\$1,647.58	\$2,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
50				Environmental Justice Commiss.	\$346.67	\$2,000.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$500.00
51				Prison Ministry		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$500.00
52				Total Diocesan Commissions	\$1,994.25	\$6,000.00	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00	\$1,500.00
53				Commission on Ministry	\$950.65	\$4,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
54				Communications	\$6,941.37	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
60				Total Conferences & Memberships	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,965.44	\$3,965.44	\$7,500.00
61				Total Consultants and Speakers	\$500.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
64				Total Convention	\$2,636.01	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$10,000.00
67				Total Diocesan Council/SC	\$13,898.20	\$11,800.00	\$11,800.00	\$11,800.00	\$12,000.00
75				Total Faith Formation/Continuing Ed	\$22,849.64	\$10,000.00	\$19,793.33	\$19,793.33	\$21,700.00
78				Total Canonical Training	\$304.63	\$1,500.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
79				General Convention Reserve	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
80				Youth Reserve	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$500.00
86				Total Staff Expense	\$7,563.05	\$7,000.00	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00
87				Total Ministry Support	\$74,637.80	\$73,300.00	\$66,258.77	\$66,258.77	\$76,800.00

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2018 Budget

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	2016 Year End					2017 Budget	2017 Projections	2018 Budget	
1	Ordinary Income/Expense								
90					\$35,698.23	\$51,000.00	\$36,000.00	\$44,000.00	
91				Person Payroll					
92				Bishop	\$20,893.28	\$45,000.00	\$23,585.00	\$23,585.00	
93				Bishop Housing	\$17,936.70		\$10,761.00	\$10,761.00	
94				SS Premium	\$1,896.72		\$2,846.00	\$2,846.00	
95				Carry Over of Bishops Salary	\$22,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
96				Ascension Executive Director	\$42,423.00	\$51,000.00	\$36,375.03	\$48,500.00	
97				Hospitality Mngr / Admin Asst.	\$25,553.00	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
98				Operations Manager			\$38,500.00	\$38,500.00	
99				Executive Secretary	\$40,844.00	\$51,000.00	\$51,000.00	\$51,000.00	
100				Total Payroll	\$171,546.70	\$177,000.00	\$163,067.03	\$175,192.00	
101				Payroll Expenses	\$3,893.25		\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	
104				Payroll Taxes	\$10,537.06	\$17,160.00	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00	
107				Total Pension	\$9,983.00	\$11,880.00	\$11,350.00	\$12,500.00	
108				Medical and Life Insurance					
109				Bishop	\$15,468.00		\$15,060.00	\$12,700.00	
110				Lay Staff	\$5,999.20	\$25,920.00	\$24,110.00	\$28,560.00	
111				Life Insurance	\$1,152.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,152.00	\$1,200.00	
112				Retirees Supplemental Med. Ins.	\$14,118.00	\$16,000.00	\$8,400.00	\$8,400.00	
113				Total Medical and Life Insurance	\$36,737.20	\$43,120.00	\$48,722.00	\$50,860.00	
114									
115				Total Personnel	\$232,697.21	\$249,160.00	\$240,139.03	\$255,552.00	
118				Administration					
119				Credit Card Fees					
120				Contracted Services					
121				Audit					
122				Communication and Promotion	\$59,200.00	\$5,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,500.00	
123				Bookkeeping/Payroll Services	\$4,062.98	\$5,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	
124				Legal Fees	\$8,313.50	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	
125				Archive Project	\$50.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	
					\$11,425.87	\$17,450.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	

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	Ordinary Income/Expense				2016 Year End	2017 Budget	2017 Projections	2018 Budget	
1									
126				Misc. Contracted Services		\$3,270.84	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00
127				Transition Minister		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,700.00
128				Total Contracted Services		\$86,323.19	\$36,450.00	\$21,000.00	\$26,700.00
129				Equipment Reserve		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
130				Technology		\$229.98	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,500.00
131				Other Expense		\$172.10	\$0.00	\$26.00	\$0.00
132				Office Supplies		\$1,578.39	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
133				Photocopies and Printing		\$3,890.95	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
134				Postage		\$817.70	\$1,000.00	\$700.00	\$1,000.00
135				Telephone		\$240.00	\$240.00	\$240.00	\$240.00
136				Total Administration		\$94,252.31	\$43,190.00	\$32,466.00	\$36,940.00
140				Total Maintenance		\$1,121.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,364.25	\$1,500.00
144				Total Insurance and Taxes		\$10,047.96	\$10,800.00	\$9,549.00	\$10,300.00
145									
146				EDEO Expenses		\$504,306.51	\$487,687.00	\$440,814.05	\$476,392.00
147				Ascension School Expenses		\$0.00	\$283,596.00	\$283,596.00	\$317,790.00
148									
149				Total Income		\$408,518.00	\$786,518.00	\$723,315.00	\$783,800.00
150				Total Expense		\$504,306.51	\$771,283.00	\$724,410.05	\$794,182.00
151				Balance		-\$95,788.51	\$15,235.00	-\$1,095.05	-\$10,382.00
152									
153									
154									

Present Members Standing Committee and Diocesan Council

STANDING COMMITTEE:

Class of 2017:

Layperson:	Vacant	
Cleric:	<i>The Rev. Jed Holdorph</i>	<i>Bend</i>

Class of 2018:

Layperson:	Julie S. Reynolds	The Dalles
Cleric:	The Rev. Nancy Sargent Green	Sunriver

Class of 2019:

Layperson:	Mary Link	Sunriver
Cleric:	The Rev. Mary Lujan	Hood River

DIOCESAN COUNCIL:

Class of 2017:

Layperson:	<i>Bill Taylor</i>	<i>Pendleton</i>
Layperson:	<i>Marjorie Thelen</i>	<i>Burns</i>
Cleric:	<i>The Rev. Georgia Giacobbe</i>	<i>The Dalles</i>

Class of 2018:

Layperson:	Karly Nash	Bend
Layperson:	Vicki Mosier	Ontario
Cleric:	The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake	Baker City

Class of 2019:

Layperson:	Adrienne Brown	Sisters
<i>Layperson:</i>	Beth Spell	Canyon City
Cleric:	The Rev. Charlotte Wells	Pendleton

Ex Officio:	Douglas Harder, Secretary of Convention	Pendleton
Ex Officio:	James Foster, Chancellor	The Dalles
Ex Officio:	Randy Heise, Treasurer	Sunriver

**Members whose names are in *italics* are eligible for re-election, but they are not necessarily standing for election; see candidate roster on the following page.

Standing Committee

MEMBERSHIP: Three clerical and three lay members; one each elected to 3-year term.

DUTIES: In addition to serving on the Diocesan Council (see below), the Standing Committee normally meets separately to conduct business that is specifically theirs in connection with the Council meeting, and on call of the Bishop or President, if necessary.

RESPONSIBILITIES of the Standing Committee include:

1. Approval of each transaction involving the sale, mortgaging, or encumbrance of church-owned real estate, which leads to a review of any construction or transfer of real property of any church in the Diocese.
2. Consent to the election of Bishops anywhere in the Church, which leads to concern for the structures and distribution of authority in the Church.
3. Consent to certification of Canonical Requirements met for Ordination to the Diaconate or the Priesthood, which leads to a concern for the Ministry generally throughout the Church:
4. Serve as a Council of Advice for the Bishop in such matters as the Bishop may choose to bring before the Committee; and, rarely, of matters which the Diocese, through the Standing Committee, wishes to bring before the Bishop.
5. Serve as the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese in the case of prolonged absence or disability of the Diocesan, if there be no other Bishop to whom authority has been temporarily given.
6. Serve as the Diocesan Review Committee in cases of Title IV Presentments.

Diocesan Council

MEMBERSHIP: Members of the Standing Committee, together with three clerical and six lay members; and ex-officio members: The Bishop, the Treasurer, the Secretary of Convention, and the Chair of the Finance Committee.

MEETINGS: The Diocesan Council meets four to six times per year; the meeting times are usually Friday afternoon or evening through Saturday at 3 pm.

RESPONSIBILITIES of the Diocesan Council include:

1. To be a body whose primary purpose is to carry out the program and policies adopted by the Diocesan Convention, and to have general oversight of the work of the Diocese.
2. To exercise all the powers of the Diocesan Convention, not expressly reserved to the Convention, between meetings thereof: setting goals, priorities, strategy, and program policy, overall, and for designating the appropriate bodies to implement them.
3. To be responsible for the financial stewardship of the Diocese in budgetary matters, including grants to local congregations and proposal of financial assessments to Convention.
4. To build ongoing evaluation of program, structure, and policy, and of its own functioning.
5. To provide support services to units and churches.
6. To provide effective management procedures for coordinating this work.
7. To develop a network of two-way communication among: Convention and Bishop – Diocesan Council-- planning or coordinating areas -- congregations.

To Be Elected At 2017 Convention

STANDING COMMITTEE:

1 Lay Member	3-year term	Class of 2020
1 Cleric (Priest or Deacon)	3-year term	Class of 2020

Candidates*:

Laypersons:

Clergy:

DIOCESAN COUNCIL:

2 Lay Members	3-year term	Class of 2020
1 Cleric (Priest or Deacon)	3-year term	Class of 2020

Candidates*:

Laypersons:

Clergy:

Nominations may be made from the floor of Convention. Please have the permission of the nominee before making a nomination.

* Candidates listed here are those who submitted candidate forms by the date of publication of the Pre-Convention Journal. Forms appear in alphabetical order by the last name of the candidate.

**No Candidates filed by the Deadline for Submission in
the
Pre-Convention Journal**

2017 Convention Appointments & Nominations

OFFICERS OF THE DIOCESE

(Bishop's Appointments)

Chancellor: James Foster
Secretary of Convention: Douglas Harder 2015-2018
Treasurer of the Diocese: Randy Heise 2016-2019

TO BE ELECTED BY CONVENTION:

ECCLESIASTICAL DISCIPLINARY BOARD (Bishop's Nominees)

Class of 2020: The Rev. Nancy Sargent Green
The Rev. Red Stevens
Joan Springer-Wellman

(Previously Elected)

Class of 2019: The Rev. Jed Holdorph
The Rev. Charlotte Wells
Prudi Sherman
Nick Kirby

Class of 2018: The Rev. Jim Mosier
Arnold Coe

TO BE CONFIRMED BY CONVENTION:

COMMISSION ON MINISTRY:

Class of 2020: The Rev. Marilyn Roth
The Rev. Lee Kiefer
The Rev. Katy Anderson
Linda Quinn

(Current members previously confirmed)

Class of 2018: The Rev. Jan Kozak
The Rev. John Collins
Diane Adams

Class of 2019: Kathy Thew
Beth Spell
D. David Silva
The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake

PROGRAMMATIC AND TASK ASSIGNMENTS:

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION: Douglas Harder
ASSISTANT. SECRETARY OF CONVENTION: Lisa Boquist, Staff

ASCENSION SCHOOL BOARD:

Chuck Barnes	Hermiston
Robin Barnes	Hermiston
Joel Bigelow	Haines
Cathy Cowherd	Portland
Cindy Feibert	Ontario
Ava Sue Kerr	The Dalles
Laurance Ker,	The Dalles
Gretchen Kimsey	The Dalles
Michelle Mayfield	White Salmon
Linda Palmer	Union
Nod Palmer	Union
Julie Reynolds	Canyon City
Julie S. Reynolds	The Dalles
The Rev. Richard Thew	Cove

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The Finance Committee is a working committee of Diocesan Council

Randy Heise, Treasurer of the Diocese (ex officio)	
Jerry Frazier, Sec/Treasurer, Eastern Oregon Episcopal Foundation (ex-officio)	
Kim McClain, Executive Director, Ascension School (ex officio)	
Karen Bounds	Hermiston
Arnold Coe	Cove
Edd Doorn	Bend
The Rev. Jed Holdorph	Bend

EPISCOPAL RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR (ERD)

Bruce Barnes	Pendleton
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Resolutions

Title: Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon
Constitution and Canon Revision Resolution

Submitted By: Diocesan Council

Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED that the Constitution and Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon be changed and/or corrected as proposed in the following sections:

Constitution

Article VI

- Replace “as provided in Article XIII” with “as provided in Article XII”

Canons

Canon IV Section 5

- Replace Ecclesiastical Court with Disciplinary Board

Canon IV Section 7

- Change “There shall be established a Board of Directors of Ascension School” to “There shall be an Advisory School Board for Ascension School.”
- Revise the language of the last sentence of the first paragraph to reflect the chain of command. Advisory School Board does not report to Diocesan Council. Executive Director reports to Bishop.

Canon II Section 6

- Add Diocesan Administrator and Executive Director of Ascension School as Ex-Officio members of Diocesan Council.

Canon XVII Section 2

- Typo in paragraph (i) Change “ The Bishop shall appoint and” to “The Bishop shall appoint an”

Canon XVII Section 3

- Typo in last sentence “bay” should be “may”

Canon XVIII

- This canon indicates a table of contents, which is not present. The Secretary of Convention create a Table of Contents

Canon III and Finance Committee

- Take the first paragraph from the Finance Committee Appendix and put it into Canon III Section 6 Paragraph (b)
- Remove Finance Committee Appendix

Title: Letitia Croom Bequest

Submitted by: Diocesan Council

WHEREAS, Letitia (Tish) Croom, a long-time member of the clergy of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon, died in 2014 leaving to the Diocese approximately \$300,000 from her estate; and

WHEREAS, Tish Croom's Will designated that said funds be used for the purposes of maintenance of the grounds of Ascension School Camp and Conference Center and that said gift be managed by the Board of Directors of the ASCENSION SCHOOL CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER; and

WHEREAS, there is no Board of Directors of the Ascension School Camp and Conference Center, but rather an Ascension School Board which is a non-canonical advisory body to the Bishop and Diocesan Council with no fiscal authority; and

WHEREAS, the Diocesan Council believes that the fiscal responsibility for the management of expenditure of said bequest resides with the Diocesan Council and the Convention, subject to the advice of the Ascension School Board.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the fiscal responsibility including the final decisions with respect to the aforementioned bequest is that of the Diocesan Council and Convention, subject to the advice, regarding the expenditure thereof, of the Ascension School Board and its successors.

Reports To Convention

Archive Project Report

This was a year of transition for me because I became historiographer on my own after Matt Carmichael moved to California. Matt had completed a great deal of work in preserving most of the documents, photographs, and other materials representing the history of the diocese. As Matt had previously explained, he needed to combine this collection of materials in the former diocesan office at The Dalles and the offices of the former historiographer at Cove, Oregon.

At first, I focused on cataloguing and preserving the remaining materials not protected in archival boxes. Because I was continuing to write a history of the Episcopal Church in Eastern Oregon, I began organizing the remaining issues of *The Oregon Trail Churchman* located at The Dalles. To date, I have been unable to locate copies of *The Churchman* from the 1990s through 2012.

From time to time, people need the information stored at the Diocesan Archives. I assisted the diocese office locate information they required and also some information for the Commission on Ministry. This past month, I acquired a scanner for the archives to digitally scan information and transmit to those who need it. In the future, the scanner will help me to digitally copy documents, in case the original may be at risk of deterioration.

In late spring, Julie Reynolds of The Dalles began assisting me at the archival office. She has been helping identify and catalog some of the photographic collections. Her main area of focus is Ascension School photos.

Because these materials are centrally located now, I plan on continuing to keep these history materials at this central source. In the past the policy of the historians and archivists has varied back and forth from keeping items in the congregations or keeping them at a diocesan location. If any congregation would like to send materials to The Dalles location, I would be happy to receive and preserve them. If you do have historical materials in your congregation, I would strongly recommend preserving them effectively for the future at your location. In August, in combination with a Diocesan Council trip to Ontario, I assisted Jim Mosier to catalog and safeguard some of St. Matthew's older records.

Since I started assisting at the archives about two years ago, I have been writing a history of the Episcopal Diocese in Eastern Oregon. Usually these histories are written with the centennial of a diocese. Eastern Oregon missed its chance so I am near completion at 110 years of the diocese. At this convention in Bend, you can review a draft copy available in a binder at the Archives table. Please stop by and look at the mission and ministry in this diocese along with other items on display. I hope to see you there.

Georgia Giacobbe
Historiographer for EDEO

Ascension School Camp and Conference Center Report to Convention

Leadership Change

The end of 2016 brought a huge change to Ascension School as Patty Olson Lindsey stepped down as Executive Director after 10 amazing years at the helm. The diocese is so very grateful for her vision and leadership, including getting the camp accredited by the American Camping Association, and for leading the capital campaign / managing the construction of our new community building. A search for new leadership identified Kim McClain as the next Director. Starting in April, Kim brings diocesan experience (Standing Committee (president), Finance Committee, and Diocesan Council) as well as business administration and financial expertise to her new position.

2017 Summer Program – One Body, One Spirit

This summer, our camp community was called to have the conversation about anyone who might be different from each one of us. Diversity, inclusivity, and honoring our differences became a uniting theme – and One Body, One Spirit allowed kids to see that every person has a unique part to play in our world. Older kids addressed more serious issues – such as how privilege affects one’s outlook on life.

184 kids experienced our camps this summer – including 14 participants in our new Wallowa Adventures backpacking camp. Ascension School and congregations around the diocese provided scholarships to make sure that all children who wanted to come to camp had the opportunity to attend. The Central Oregon Partnership for Youth (COPY) program, in conjunction with Trinity–Bend, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Oregon, and Deschutes Family Drug Court raised over \$22,000 to send 44 at-risk kids to camp – giving these kids a chance to be normal kids for a week. Raising money for scholarships and recruiting campers are two ways that we all come together to support Ascension School. We had nearly 20 people volunteer as Resource Staff, including our Camp Nurses. Resource Staff provide tremendous support to our Camp Staff by leading small group activities at camp.

Adult Programs

Eclipse Weekend brought together a small group of people seeking fellowship as well as quietude - celebrating God’s creation through light and darkness.

Adult Ed Weekend’s “How our Faith Intersects with our Everyday Work” featured The Rev. Armand Larive who made us think about Doing vs Being, and whether we are living meaningful, fruitful lives in God’s eyes. A quote from the movie “Working” by Studs Terkel stated that “most of us have jobs that are too small for our spirit.” The work of the Trinity within us provides resources to help us in our calling as co-creators with God, and the Holy Spirit provides wisdom to use our skills in the best way possible to work in partnership with God. Pretty compelling!

Volunteers Truly Make a Difference!

A campus this large requires much time and effort to keep it looking good and running smoothly, and we couldn't do it without the support of our wonderful volunteers. Throughout the year, many generous people regularly give their time and talents to help us maintain our buildings and grounds, and we are so appreciative! Twice a year, our Spring and Fall Work Weekends (Memorial Day Weekend and September after camp season is over) provide free lodging and food in exchange for some hard work AND fun and fellowship!!

Memorial Day Weekend saw 43 intrepid volunteers helping to get the Ascension School campus ready for the summer. Fall Work Weekend prepares our buildings and grounds for winter. From painting, digging, weeding, cleaning cabins, moving furniture – to electrical, plumbing, backhoe and tree-trimming projects, this place is transformed in a weekend. Many hands make light work!

Facilities Update

Engineering Study: Diocesan Council approved the Ascension Board's proposal to initiate a full engineering assessment of all of our Ascension buildings. This will be performed this Fall, and will create a baseline to set priorities for future facilities planning – by letting us know the true condition of our buildings and the systems that run them.

2017 has been a difficult year for facilities management. The bitterly cold, snowy winter translated into higher utility costs, increased outside snow maintenance, but thankfully not a lot of building repairs. Aging buildings and appliances required ongoing care, and several of our older appliances (2 hot water heaters, one furnace) had to be replaced this year.

Wrap-up work on the Coe-Kerr Community Building included installation of a new sprinkler system and grass, and construction of an access road / unloading area for transporting food to the kitchen. All appliances are in, and it has become a wonderful place for events – from parties, proms, weddings and memorial services, and of course, camp activities!

Next on the priority list will be a sound system / noise reduction concept for Coe-Kerr, and installation of a ductless mini-split system for Founder's Hall kitchen – to alleviate the health hazards to employees from extreme heat in the kitchen, and help extend the life of our freezers and refrigerators.

Being new to this job, I am constantly amazed by the love and generosity towards this place by so many people throughout the diocese – and beyond. This special place has touched so many lives over the years - on an inexplicably deeply personal level. My first camp season has proven to me that God is at work here, touching lives and changing people. Come experience this place for yourselves – to get away, for down time, reflection, peace and learning - and walk away changed.

Many blessings,
Kim McClain
Executive Director

Bisbee Fund Ministry Partnership Grant – 2017

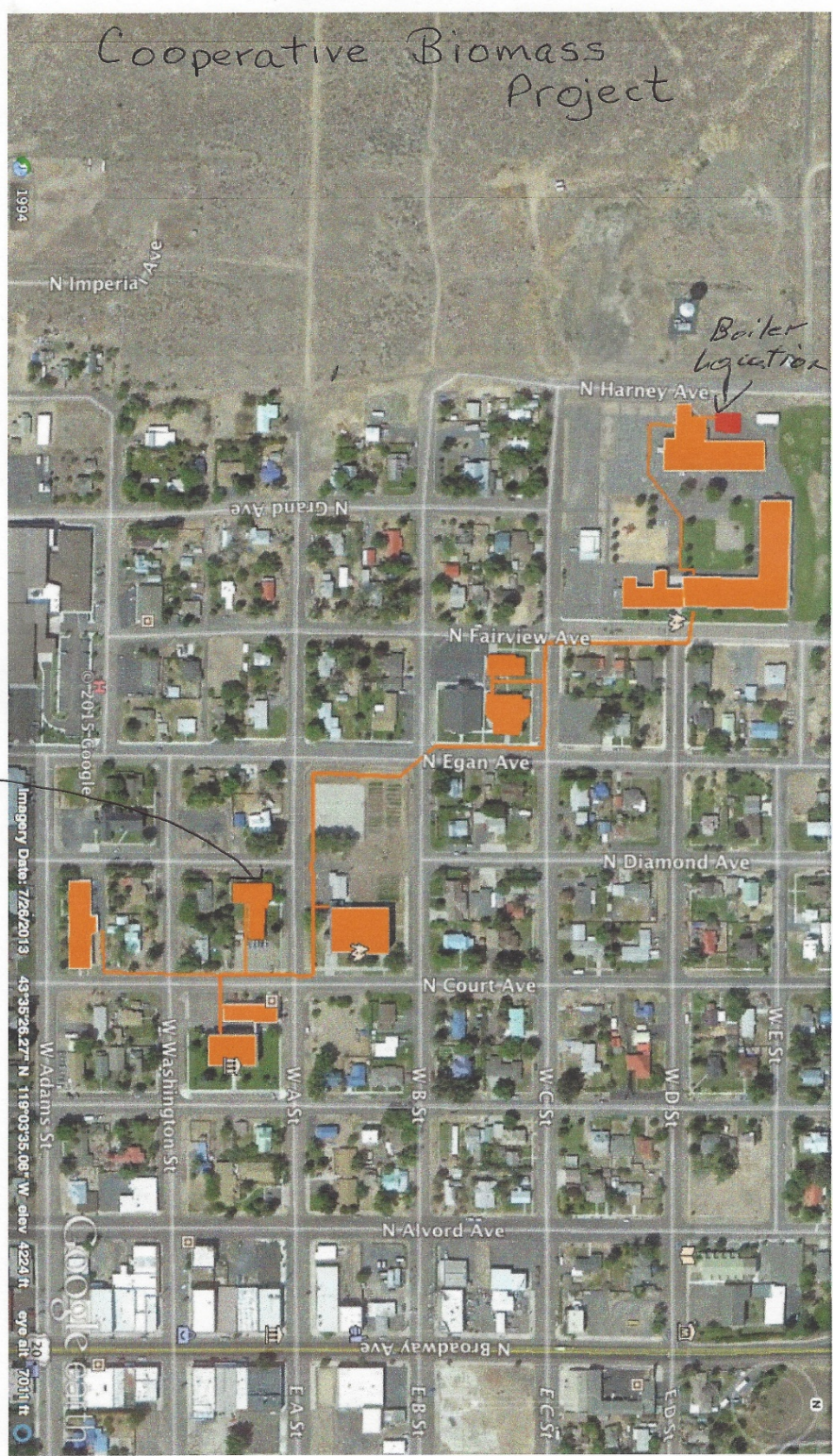
St. Andrew's, Burns

In 2012, Harney County School District, and Harney officials looked at possible new heating systems for Slater Elementary School and Harney County Courthouse. The old oil-fired boilers needed to be replaced and the community cooperative looked for a more viable alternative to heat the buildings during our cold (below zero degrees) harsh winters. The cooperative committee found technology in Europe that utilizes hog fuel (e.g., forest slash, yard debris, twisted logs) to provide heat to a matrix type grid that would meet the needs of the school and courthouse, which are situated five blocks away from each other. St Andrews Episcopal Church is across the street from the County Courthouse; therefore, the High Desert Biomass Cooperative asked if we would be interested in partnering and joining into the heating grid. This new heating grid uses new ecologically sound technology to distribute hot water created by a wood chip boiler to all facilities connected to the grid. The cooled water returns to the boiler for reheating. The fuel is created by individuals, commercial tree services, along with the local loggers bringing their yard debris and branches to the county recycling center where it is chipped and stored for use in the boiler. This new community based new heating system has a life expectancy of 40 years and requires little, or no maintenance.

This ground breaking innovative project helps to secure the Episcopal ideology of alternative heat sources that will reduce or lower our carbon foot print and more importantly decrease our dependency of petroleum products. This technology (the first in the United States) could be used by the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon, other local churches, and be a show case for alternative heating systems of other communities. This endeavor has brought our community together to decrease air pollution, decrease cost for the county, and to show other communities that this technology does perform extremely well during our harsh winters. To date, those building that have been hooked up to the grid have shown a decrease in respiratory infections in their children and employees, had substantial savings in heating costs and decreased the number of air quality warnings for bad air days. By participating in this community based project, we could assist the partners in showcasing this ecologically sound method of heating; thereby promoting and expanding this heating grid to more businesses, churches, and private homes.

Cooperative Biomass Project

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Commission on Ministry

1 Paul, Silas^[a] and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace and peace to you.

2 We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. 3 We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

4 For we know, brothers and sisters^[b] loved by God, that he has chosen you, 5 because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. 6 You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. 7 And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia.

The words of Paul from his letter to the Thessalonians remind me of the faithful people serving in the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon. Among those faithful are the people now serving on the Commission on Ministry: John Collins, Katy Anderson, Aletha Bonebrake, Beth Spell, David Silva, Kathy Thew, Diane Adams, Jan Kozak, Lee Kiefer, and Marilyn Roth. Under the guidance of Bishop Bell we are here to demonstrate our faithfulness to God's continued work in our diocese.

Since January of 2017 the COM has met 4 times, three times at Cove, Oregon, and one telephone conference. We will meet a 5th time in November 2017. We have been committed to the process of sustaining the canonical guidelines for people seeking ordination, and have explored new options on how men and women can seek training for holy orders. We have also begun to reexamine how best to provide training at the parish level, knowing that both small and large parishes have much to teach each other.

So, what exactly has the COM been doing when they have met? Our discussions have revolved around four areas: (1) Giving support and guidance to Ann Marie Hardin, a postulant for the priesthood from Pendleton (2) Recommending Marilyn Roth for Candidacy to the priesthood (3) Researching a new alternative program, called the Iona Collaborative, for training men and women for ordination, and (4) Reviewing old and new ways of equipping all baptized people for the ministry of Jesus Christ.

Ann Marie Hardin met with the COM at Cove, Oregon on June 1, 2017. This was a time of sharing and prayer, where we hope Ann Marie received answers to the questions she brought to the commission, and

where we had an opportunity to give encouragement to her process. We had a wonderful time visiting with Ann Marie.

Marilyn Roth was unanimously approved by the COM to enter into candidacy for the priesthood on June 1, 2017. Marilyn Roth was not present for this part of the COM meeting. Standing Commission voted on August 4, 2017 that Marilyn Roth had met all the canonical requirements for ordination to the priesthood. Marilyn's ordination took place on September 9, 2017, with Bishop Patrick Bell officiating.

During the March COM meeting Bishop Pat introduced a new learning resource for training postulants for the diaconate and priesthood, called the Iona Collaborative. Bishop Pat appointed Diane Adams and Marilyn Roth to fly to Houston, Texas for a 2-day workshop on the Iona Collaborative the last week of July 2017, and they both returned with positive feedback on this 3-year academic program designed to educate and form deacons and priests for the Church. The Seminary of the Southwest oversees the training videos, along with providing educational support for each local diocese. Further information will be shared about the Iona Collaborative at the October 2017 convention.

It was during our first COM meeting on March 31 where Bishop Pat charged the commission to rethink how Title III Canons can be implemented to further the education of all baptized persons. Bishop Pat brought forward a model of transformation called Gather, Transform and Send that is designed to help with congregational development. Lee Kiefer will be presenting the nuts and bolts of this congregational development model at the October 2017 convention.

The COM is committed to rethinking how best to train each baptized person within our diocese. There have been times when the task has seemed too large to accomplish, but then we encounter words of hope from a commission member, or listen to the ideas coming forth from an Iona Collaborative involving 20 different dioceses, and we know why we must become spiritual models for all the baptized. We feel confident that we must continue to borrow from past wisdom-bearers as we seek new ways of doing church in the future. The hope of the COM lies in you, not the 11 members of a commission who work on your behalf, but on the continued involvement of each parish member from our diocese. As Paul writes in Thessalonians says, *"our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction ... You became imitators of us and of the Lord."* Our present and future hope rests in each other and within the power of the Holy Spirit, and those truths will be the foundation to undergird our work in the Lord. Our trust in the Lord and each other will re-think being church in the world; that is a promise given to us by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and a promise we, as a commission, resolve to live into.

Be Well and Strong in the Lord,

Marilyn Roth
Chairperson of the DCOM

Commission on Celebrating Diversity

We provided a workshop at convention 2017 on the topic of creating welcoming environments through music, discussion, and a document for participants to use to assess how welcoming our environments are. We support and encourage congregations and communities to promote welcoming environments.

Because we also want to provide opportunities for members of EDEO to expand cultural awareness, Bobby Fossek gave a presentation on his work to re-culture the diversity of Native plants to help mend the complex web of traditional plant/human interactions. He and his wife are highly-valued members of the commission and they are also on staff at Ascension. During the past year we have been limited to electronic meetings, but each of us has been involved in supporting diversity in the communities where we live. Although we will not be offering a workshop at convention this year, we will have a display with information about some of the projects in which we have each been engaged in our communities. We hope you will spend a little time at our display and also share stories about your work to support and celebrate diversity in your community.

The members of the Commission currently are Jan Kozak of Madras, Matt Littau of Burns, Jaishri Spencer and Bobby Fossek of Ascension in Cove, Red Stevens of The Dalles, Beth and Jim Spell of John Day, Kerry Tingley of Klamath Falls, and Ruth Tsu of Hood River, convener.

Vision Statement

We recognize and acknowledge all people are equal and beloved children of God.
We envision building strong communities of a broad diversity of people.

2017 Diocesan Council Convention Report

Diocesan Council 2016-2017

Diocesan council met at Ascension School November 13-16, 2016. Norms were established for group work. Bisbee grants were awarded. The schedule of meetings for 2017 was set. Chair and vice chair were elected, Beth Spell and Nancy Green respectfully.

Discussions centered around planning for Ascension School, finances, review of the 2016 convention, planning for the future and reports on other issues.

An online meeting was held on February 4, 2017. Updates were presented for the Diocesan Convention Committee, Ascension School Executive Director, budget changes and adjustments and sub committees.

Council met at St. Andrew's Burns on April 28-29, 2017. An update on Ascension School was presented by the new Executive Director, Kim McClain. Bishop Bell gave an update on the Diocesan Convention and Committee. Other committee reports were presented.

Council met at St. Matthew's Ontario, August 4-5, 2017. The Iona Initiative was discussed. A committee was formed to formulate a new travel policy for reimbursements of expenses. Reports from sub-committees, Ascension School and the bishop were presented. Convention and the offering designation, resolution committee procedures, tellers and nominations were discussed.

Complete minutes of each meeting are available on the Diocesan website at www.episdioeo.org

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Spell

Environmental Justice Commission Report

2016-2017

The Environmental Justice Commission of EDEO is comprised of people throughout the Diocese who are interested in making a difference in caring for God's creation. Email alerts to the group highlight areas of concern for action which can be shared within our parishes.

Education about how sustainable living can reduce negative impacts on our environment is part of our mission, and we had a table at the 2016 Diocesan Convention with materials and information.

Two parishes, Trinity-Bend and Redeemer-Pendleton, provided host sites in early 2017 to Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon / Oregon Interfaith Power & Light to provide regional Climate Legislative Workshops focused on giving faith communities the tools to advocate for strong climate policies at the state level. Participants learned about climate-friendly policies for transportation and carbon pricing going through the Oregon legislature this year, and gathered long-term tools to engage in faithful and effective climate advocacy.

If you are interested in joining the Environmental Justice Commission, or have any questions about what we do, please contact:

Kim McClain, Chair
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480-518-7789

Episcopal Relief & Development

First and foremost, I want to thank everyone in the diocese for their support of the tremendous work of Episcopal Relief & Development. WE are Episcopal Relief & Development. In supporting this work we are the hands and feet of Christ, serving our sisters and brothers most in need, in the farthest, poorest reaches of this hurting world. I especially want to recognize the Episcopal Relief & Development Representatives in the parishes and congregations of our diocese for the great work they continue to do on behalf of our sisters and brothers around the world. Last year we gave \$31,740. This year we have given \$13,318 as of June 30th. Note that we historically give much more the second half of the year.

Before we get complacent and pat ourselves on the back too hard, there is one significant and critically important task before us as a diocese that relates to Episcopal Relief & Development and every congregation. The task is to ensure that every congregation has a disaster plan. (You may groan when reading this, but my role is to make it simple.) I thank the congregations which have begun or completed a disaster plan. If yours is done (Pendleton, Sisters and Canyon City?), please see that the diocesan office has a copy ASAP. For the other 18 congregations, send me the answers to the questions below and I'll draft your plan for you to accept or modify.

There are two times the plan will be needed – when the emergency/disaster hits, adrenalin is flowing, and it's hard to think what to do first, and after it is over when you may need to prove to your insurer what was destroyed. The questions below relate to those two times.

Churches with 35 or fewer active members:

- 1) List 3 members along with contact info who are willing and able to check on other members and facilities in an emergency;
- 2) List items of value in the facilities, with descriptions and photos of them;
- 3) Describe your building(s). Consider adding # 5 in the next paragraph.

Churches with 36-90 active members: in addition to questions 1-3 above:

- 4) List members with contact info who are willing to help others in an emergency;
- 5) Describe how vital records (births, weddings etc.) will be duplicated and stored off-site.

Churches with 91 or more active members: in addition to questions 1-5 above:

- 6) Clergy list members at risk of needing assistance in an emergency and the type of assistance needed (*do not send the list to include in the plan*), and ensure that at least 3 other members have a copy of the list in the event of absence of clergy;
- 7) Create an emergency kit with BCP, hymnal, bible, church master key, & communion kit, and describe where and by whom it will be kept off-site;
- 8) List community services you may to contact in an emergency (police, fire, ambulance etc.) with phone numbers.

In addition, if you haven't yet put your information on the Asset Map, it would be of value to your congregation to do so. I want to thank the 12 congregations who have entered information on their ministries and facilities in the national Asset Map, which supplements disaster planning – Hood River, Madras, Prineville, Bend, Sunriver, Klamath Falls, Milton-Freewater, Pendleton, Heppner, Ascension School, Burns, and Ontario.

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Prison Ministry Report

Though the prison ministry commission has not met this year, there are significant activities to report.

A change in the ministry at the Snake River Correctional Institution. (SRCI)

The passing of Lee Manning. Lee Manning has been an active minister for the Episcopal Church at SRCI for a number of years. He and his wife, Charlotte (Charley) have done this work together. They are from the Episcopal Diocese of Idaho. They have also been facilitating Education for Ministry Classes (EFM). Unfortunately, Lee fell and suffered a head injury and resulted in his death. His wife, Charley, is continuing with the ministry. I have been offering Eucharist there once a month and on special occasions. This is a ministry that is in partnership with the diocese of Idaho.

A proposal for the development of an Episcopal parish within the institution had been made to the Department of Corrections. The ministry would continue to be a joint ministry between the two dioceses. It is within the borders of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon and so it would need to be located within that diocese. However, the ministry would continue as a shared effort. Approval of the inmates has been given and the Bishops of both Idaho and Eastern Oregon have agreed to proceed with the effort. A request of the Department of Corrections is pending. The logistics of creating a parish within an institution have yet to be worked out. The inmates themselves are excited that they will have a relationship with a church when they return home.

A partnership with the Diocese of Oregon and Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon continues to evolve and expand. A convocation for the diocese of Oregon and the diocese of Eastern Oregon will be held in January, 2018. Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon is a significant partner in this project. The Diocese of Oregon has awarded a \$75,000.00 grant to the prison ministry effort we are engaged in which is far greater than the convocation.

The convocation is being called "Hearing the Cries". Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon is providing a staff person, (Audrey DeCoursey) to assist us, as well as to engage other interfaith efforts. The Convocation will provide information, training and collaboration for services to inmates and their families as well as transitional services for inmates returned home. Funds will be provided for the costs of transportation and lodging for those who must come a long distance to attend the Convocation. The diocese of Eastern Oregon has already provided \$2,000.00 toward this effort. If you, as a member of the diocese of Eastern Oregon, or the diocese of Oregon have a desire to attend, please be watching for the announcement.

Yours in Christ,

The Rev. James D. Mosier

Standing Committee Report

The duties and responsibilities of all Standing Committees are:

1. Approval of transactions involving church properties in the Diocese;
2. Consents to elections of bishop in other dioceses;
3. Certification of persons involved in ordination processes;
4. Council of advice to Bishop;
5. Serve as Ecclesiastical Authority in absence of a Bishop;
6. Review Committee in cases of Title IV Presentments.

Meetings are not closed, but visitors are unusual. And in some cases, such as interviews with persons pursuing ordination or other personnel matters, confidentiality may be required.

During the 2016-2017 year, Standing Committee continued to oversee property issues and concerns in the diocese, including but not limited to the lot in Arlington, the use of 601 Union Street in The Dalles, and review of the use of St. Andrew's in Prineville.

At the April 2017 meeting our President Kim McClain resigned her position on Standing Committee. She accepted the position of Executive Director of Ascension School. Therefore we have been short a lay member for the last five months of her term. The position will be filled at our next Diocesan Convention in October.

The following are other actions we took:

1. We recommended the Reverend Marilyn Roth for ordination to the priesthood.
2. We consented to the following election and consent of the following as bishops elected by respective dioceses of the Church:

Consent to election of a Bishop Coadjutor for Diocese of Haiti. The Rev. Jennifer Brooke-Davidson as Bishop Suffragan of the Diocese of West Texas. The Rev. Samuel S. Rodman, III as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of North Carolina. The Rt. Rev. David C. Rice as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of San Joaquin. The Rev. Carl Walter Wright as Bishop Suffragan for Armed Forces and Federal Ministries.

I am grateful for the service of our members,

Ms. Kim McClain	(Class of 2017)
The Rev. Jed Holdorph	(Class of 2017)
Mrs. Julie Reynolds	(Class of 2018)
The Rev. Nancy Sargent Green	(Class of 2018)
Mrs. Mary Link	(Class of 2019)

I am especially grateful for the willingness of my fellow clergy member, the Reverend Jed Holdorph who stepped up to serve as our secretary. We look forward to continuing to serve God and this Diocese as your Standing Committee.

Faithfully submitted,

The Reverend Mary Lujan, President (Class of 2019)

UTO Coordinator Report

The role of United Thank Offering coordinator is a role that is a bit different in this diocese because this diocese is unique. With that in mind, I have attempted to communicate the significance of the United Thank Offering and the understanding that it is not merely a fundraiser but a daily and year-round devotion of how we offer our thankfulness to God. Accordingly, since last convention:

- Provided a table display with UTO materials and display information at the convention in Cove.
- Wrote several UTO articles for EDEO's *Connector*.
- Participated in the grant submission process for St. Andrew's, Burns request from UTO.
- Answered questions of UTO. One congregation focused its Lenten program on the UTO. I directed them to the appropriate materials on UTO's website.
- Kept up-to-date on the UTO website and materials. UTO materials are now available through the Navajoland website. To order materials go to <https://shimaofnavajoland.com/collections/United-Thank-Offering>
- Reviewed the grants awarded for 2017. Afterward, I contacted the Rev. Heather Melton, Missioner for United Thank Offering, regarding specific criteria to submit UTO grants.

At this convention in Bend, come to the United Thank Offering display table and pick up any materials you may need or look for information to further understand UTO. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at dngeorgia@gmail.com or my number listed in the diocesan directory.

Georgia Giacobbe
UTO Coordinator for EDEO

Statistical Reports

Diocese of Eastern Oregon

Financial Statistics of Congregations and Missions

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2016

City	Congregation	REVENUE			EXPENSE			Total
		Plate Income & Pledge	Operating Revenue	Total Revenue	Operating Expense	To the Diocese	Outreach & Development	
Baker City	St Stephens Episcopal Church	44,796	50,259	54,308	48,688	9,347	1,609	50,027
Bend	Trinity Episcopal Church	389,534	404,138	771,335	472,064	90,931	322,814	820,012
Bonanza	St Barnabas Episcopal Church	241	1,745	4,933	7,562	1,575	300	7,862
Burns	St Andrews Episcopal Church	16,400	16,400	17,294	3,667	3,667	894	4,561
Canyon City	St Thomas Episcopal Church	18,330	19,012	32,302	16,550	4,172	5,269	22,664
Enterprise	St Patricks Episcopal Church	14,400	14,400	14,400	13,273	3,847	5,000	18,273
Heppner	All Saints Memorial Epis Church	27,076	52,713	67,711	68,652	6,341	14,998	83,650
Hermiston	St Johns Episcopal Church	54,575	54,575	63,907	56,899	12,280	3,860	76,260
Hood River	St Marks Episcopal Church	115,885	127,451	143,525	136,249	28,677	6,762	143,347
Klamath Falls	St Pauls Episcopal Church	44,531	57,932	83,394	59,325	10,019	14,908	75,087
La Grande	St Peters Episcopal Church	67,900	67,900	74,934	15,227	15,227	1,635	24,612
Lakeview	St Lukes Episcopal Church	6,852	6,852	11,052	1,699	1,531	800	2,331
Madras	St Marks Episcopal Church	2,920	2,920	2,920	657	657	0	657
Milton Freewater	St James Episcopal Church	20,052	20,052	20,814	22,038	4,676	1,026	22,800
Ontario	St Matthews Episcopal Church	54,504	56,504	56,504	61,604	13,181	4,730	63,254
Pendleton	Church of the Redeemer	142,280	146,650	155,913	146,431	36,356	2,362	158,194
Prineville	St Andrews Episcopal Church	26,166	32,437	35,781	33,443	6,049	0	33,809
Redmond	St Albans Episcopal Church	20,090	36,940	36,940	46,487	6,087	15,076	46,487
Sisters	Church of the Transfiguration	208,521	219,467	219,467	236,717	56,365	36,621	256,088
Sunriver	All Saints of the Cascades	220,568	338,716	438,925	265,384	9,156	85,993	335,435
The Dalles	St Pauls Episcopal Church	123,587	171,654	201,843	169,934	35,721	22,691	202,895
Total		1,619,208	1,898,717	2,508,202	1,882,550	355,862	547,348	2,448,305

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Vital Statistics of Congregations and Missions

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2016

— BAPTISMS —

City	Congregation	Active Members	Communicants in Good Standing	Others Active	Average Sunday Attendance	Sunday Eucharists	16 yrs and Older	Under 16 Years	Confirmed or Received
Baker City	St Stephens Episcopal Church	63	30	2	18	27	0	0	0
Bend	Trinity Episcopal Church	490	369	4	153	108	1	0	7
Bonanza	St Barnabas Episcopal Church	45	15	0	7	0	0	0	0
Burns	St Andrews Episcopal Church	21	21	0	20	46	0	0	0
Canyon City	St Thomas Episcopal Church	64	45	6	17	26	0	1	2
Enterprise	St Patricks Episcopal Church	20	18	0	12	24	0	0	0
Heppner	All Saints Memorial Epis Church	97	35	54	32	44	0	0	0
Hermiston	St Johns Episcopal Church	73	71	0	32	52	0	0	0
Hood River	St Marks Episcopal Church	180	88	0	43	104	0	0	0
Klamath Falls	St Pauls Episcopal Church	81	81	0	28	46	0	2	0
La Grande	St Peters Episcopal Church	45	40	3	22	48	0	1	0
Lakeview	St Lukes Episcopal Church	31	21	2	10	14	0	0	0
Madras	St Marks Episcopal Church	12	12	70	32	51	0	0	1
Milton Freewater	St James Episcopal Church	30	30	0	17	30	0	1	0
Ontario	St Matthews Episcopal Church	109	42	5	35	44	1	0	0
Pendleton	Church of the Redeemer	136	134	9	54	54	2	1	4
Prineville	St Andrews Episcopal Church	36	36	1	15	20	0	0	0
Redmond	St Albans Episcopal Church	23	22	3	14	40	0	0	0
Sisters	Church of the Transfiguration	198	198	0	125	64	0	1	0
Sunriver	All Saints of the Cascades	65	65	0	154	51	0	0	0
The Dalles	St Pauls Episcopal Church	199	100	8	55	107	0	1	2
Total		2,018	1,473	167	895	1,000	4	8	16

Canonically Resident Clergy

The Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon

Bishop:

The Rt. Rev. Patrick Bell

Diocesan Assignment

Bishop

Canonically Resident Priests:

01-17-70	Richard H. Thew	St. Patrick's, Enterprise
09-21-85	James D. Mosier	Prison Ministry Commission
09-01-93	*Alfred F. Miller	Damascus, Oregon
03-09-95	*Daniel W. Gardner	Greenwood, Arkansas
09-16-97	Nancy Sargent Green	All Saints of the Cascades/Sunriver Christian Fellowship
05-01-02	Janet M. Kozak	COM
11-18-03	Mary R. Lujan	Non-parochial, Hood River
06-10-06	Rebecca Lanham Hendricks	St. James', Milton-Freewater
11-19-06	Aletha G. Bonebrake	St. Stephen's, Baker City
09-23-08	William Paul Morton	St. Alban's, Redmond
10-22-08	Charles Christopher	St. Alban's, Redmond
02-04-09	Roy D. Green	St. Mark's, Hood River
05-19-09	*John "Jack" Erskine	Sisters, OR
02-24-11	*Kenneth V. King, Jr.	Johnstown, PA
05-23-11	Kathryn Macek	St. Peter's, La Grande
11-19-14	Jed Holdorff	Trinity, Bend
06-06-15	John Collins	Trinity, Bend and Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters
12-11-15	Charlotte Wells	Church of the Redeemer, Pendleton
03-22-16	Richard (Red) Stevens	St. Paul's, The Dalles
05-19-16	Willa Goodfellow	St. Andrew's, Prineville
05-16-17	Joseph Farber	Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters

ELCA Clergy serving Episcopal parishes

07-01-10	Katy Anderson	All Saints Episcopal and Hope Lutheran, Heppner
07-01-11	Matthew Littau	St. Andrew's Episcopal + Peace Lutheran, Burns
06-06-15	Katherine Brick	St. Mark's Episcopal + Good Shepherd. Lutheran, Madras
	Jack Coffey	St. Paul's, Klamath Falls

Canonically Resident Deacons:

03-23-96	Charles R. Barnes	St. John's, Hermiston
06-16-99	Jean S. Cupp	Church of the Redeemer, Pendleton
09-29-99	Stephen L. Schafroth	St. Paul's, The Dalles
05-01-02	Janet L. Warner	St. Andrew's, Prineville
06-10-06	Roger L. Fairfield	Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters
01-05-08	Gaye Hauk Lawson	Trinity, Bend
12-05-11	Georgia Giacobbe	St. Paul's, The Dalles
05-28-14	Marilyn Roth	St. Paul's. The Dalles and St. Mark', Hood River

Retired canonically resident clergy

(Entitled to seat and voice in Convention, in accordance with Diocesan Canons)

12-09-60	Lawrence C. Ferguson	Prineville, OR	(priest)
08-03-75	Lawrence E. Fredrick	Sunnyvale, CA	(priest)
09-29-76	Kenneth W. Crysler	Pendleton, OR	(priest)
09-24-78	Carol B. Rose	Casa Grande, AZ	(priest)
10-15-86	Gary J. Young	Hood River, OR	(priest)
07-13-88	John A. Langfeldt	The Dalles, OR	(priest)
01-04-89	Robert J. Crum	Portland, OR	(priest)
04-29-91	Robert P. S. Kaye	College Place, WA	(priest)
03-15-92	Carol A. Parker	Prineville, OR	(priest)
05-22-94	Janet C. Schiering	Hood River, OR	(priest)
04-22-95	Stephen P. Uffelman	Prineville, OR	(priest)
06-10-98	Richard E. Attebury	Moscow, ID	(priest)
10-11-98	Carol J. McClelland	Vancouver, WA	(deacon)
08-10-99	Wilma M. Hoffer	Bend, OR	(deacon)
09-26-99	John W. Gilsdorf	Athena, OR	(priest)
11-30-99	Serita V. Smith-Allen	Hood River, OR	(priest)
01-06-02	Connie Boone	Cutting, CA	(deacon)
05-01-02	Laurence F. Mahon	Salem, OR	(deacon)
06-05-03	Mikel McClain	Portland, OR	(priest)
06-16-03	Sarah M. Stanton	Lacey, WA	(priest)
07-16-03	Richard S. Landrith	Lakeview, OR	(priest)
06-24-06	Martha Cornue Hurlburt	Walla Walla, WA	(priest)
09-23-15	John Nesbitt	Enterprise, OR	(priest)
06-16-99	Douglas D. Jerome	Pendleton, OR	(priest)
03-19-11	Dan Lediard	Kennewick, WA	(priest)

Dates are of canonical residency in the Diocese of Eastern Oregon.

* Asterisk beside the names on pages G-1 and G-2 denotes those canonically resident clergy, in accordance with Diocesan Canons, who are **not** qualified clerical delegates, entitled to seat, voice and vote in Convention. According to Diocesan Canon V.6, "All canonically resident clergy, of whatever Order, who have a regular diocesan or congregational assignment, and are in good standing, and who are performing the duties of their office, and who are not under ecclesiastical discipline, have the right to seat, voice and vote in the Convention. Retired clergy, canonically resident in the Diocese, shall be entitled to seat and voice, but no vote in Convention."