

The Episcopal Church in South Carolina November 14-15, 2014 at Church of the Holy Communion, Charleston

Greetings! We look forward to seeing everyone at Convention. All delegates will receive a packet with the complete schedule at registration, and all the convention resources can be found on our website.

Here are 8 things you need to know now:

1. There is plenty of parking.

No, it's not right beside Holy Communion (except for those with handicap stickers and special needs). But you won't have to pay, or drive around Charleston looking for a spot. We have reserved enough spaces for everyone, and shuttle buses to carry you to and from your car. Find the Parking Details here.

- 2. Stay for supper Friday. One of the best parts of Convention is getting to meet and visit with one another. Supper will be served following the Friday night Eucharist so please plan to stay at Church of the Holy Communion for social time and a great meal! (It's included in your registration.)
- **3.** Visitors are welcome. Come sit in on the Convention Workshops on Friday from 10-3 at Calvary (bring your own lunch). Visitors may come to the Convention Eucharist at 6:30 p.m. Friday and the business sessions Saturday, with seating on a space-available basis. (If you didn't pre-register, meals will be on your own.) Visitors, please check in and get a nametag.

4. Convention business starts Friday afternoon.

Here's the Friday schedule:
4:00-6:00 p.m. Registration
Information Sessions
4:30-5:00 p.m. Budget
5:00-5:30 p.m. Resolutions
5:30-6:00 p.m. Const. & Canons
6:30 p.m. Call to Order;
1st Business Session;
Convention Eucharist

Saturday schedule:

7:30 a.m. Committee Meetings 8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration; Church open for prayers 9:00 a.m. Call to order

5. Bring your banners!

We're excited to be welcoming three new congregations as missions. As part of the celebration, we'd like EVERY parish and mission that has a processional banner to bring it. (Be sure to bring a stand/base/holder, too!) The banners will be displayed in the Baptistery of Church of the Holy Communion. You may drop banners off at Holy Communion before going to the parking area to catch the shuttle. Volunteers will be near the playground at Holy Communion to take them.

6. Clergy, please vest and join the procession for the Friday Eucharist. The liturgical color is green. We have reserved a separate Clergy Check-In area where you'll register, with space to hang your vestments and change.

7. Your offering will help others.

The offering at our Convention Eucharist will go to two places... **Episcopal Relief and Development**, and **Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy**. Right now, every donation to ERD is being matched dollar-for-dollar by a generous challenge donor, so your gift counts even more. And support for Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy helps one of our clergy, the Rev. Rob Dewey, and other chaplains who provide pastoral care in critical situations to people across the Lowcountry.

8. The Official Hashtag: #SC224.

Please share and join the conversation at Convention via Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, etc. If you don't know what a "hashtag" is yet, don't let that stop you! Visit our Social Media Page and get started.

