

TWELVE THINGS TO KNOW BEFORE YOU COME TO CONVENTION

1. WORKshops at St.Thomas

Convention weekend starts with a presentation and community outreach work. St. Thomas Episcopal Church is located at 1150 East Montague Ave. in North Charleston.

8:30 a.m. Registration 9:00 a.m. Keynote address 10 a.m.-3 p.m. WORKshops

2. Visitors are welcome.

Visitors may come to the Convention Eucharist at 6 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.

3. Bring your banners!

As part of convention, we'd like EVERY parish and mission that has a processional banner to bring it. (Be sure to bring a stand/base/holder, too!)

4. Visit the Bookstore

Gifts of Grace, the cathedral's book and gift shop, will be open during our Diocesan Convention. Hours will be Friday, November 11 from 3:00-9:00 p.m., and Saturday, November 12 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

5. Ride with a friend.

Grace Church Cathedral has limited parking. The lot behind the church is reserved for the handicapped. There is additional parking across Wentworth St in the Memminger lot or the parking lot at the corner of St. Philip and Went-

worth. If possible, car pool with other attendees.

6. Stay for the reception Friday.

One of the best parts of Convention is getting to meet and visit with one another. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served following the Friday night Eucharist – so please plan to stay at Grace Church Cathedral for social time and a great food! (It's included in your registration.)

7. Convention business starts Friday afternoon at Grace Church Cathedral

Here's the Friday schedule:

3:00-6:00 p.m. Registration *Information Sessions*

3:30 - 4:00 p.m. Budget

4:00 - 4:30 p.m. Resolutions

4:30 - 5:00 p.m. Constitution & Canons

5:00 - 5:45 p.m. Meet the Nominees

6:00 p.m. Call to Order;

1st Business Session; Convention Eucharist Reception

Saturday schedule:

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

8. Your offering will help others.

The offering at our Convention Eucharist will go to support **Episcopal Relief** and **Development** and the **Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy.** You can also support ERD by buying products made by Jack

Nietert in the exhibit area on Saturday. 100% of proceeds will benefit he organization.

9. Clergy, please vest Friday.

Join the procession for the Friday Eucharist. The liturgical color is **white**. Clergy will vest in the Parish Hall. Please enter through the back doors into the atrium. There will be space in Room 107 to hang your vestments and change.

10. Bring your children.

Children are a welcome part of our diocese and are encouraged to attend. There will be a nursery available for younger children in the parish hall during Eucharist Friday night and the business session on Saturday. Please bring snacks and drinks for them.

11. The Official Hashtag: #SC226.

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.

12. Check out the artwork!

Dozens of sculptures and paintings by longtime Charleston psychiatrist and self-taught sculptor Dr. W. Bruce Newton Jr. are on display around the cathedral through November 13. Many of the works have religious themes. Dr. Newton and McClellanville writer William Baldwin have collaborated on a new book, "face," that will be available to purchase.

