



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SOUTH CAROLINA

229th Annual Convention Notice of Elections

To: Members of the Clergy and Lay Orders of the 229th Annual Convention
From: The Rev. Cn. Dr. Wilmot T. Merchant II, Chair of the Nominating Committee

The following positions will be filled by election at the 229th Annual Convention of The Episcopal Church in South Carolina.

Body	Positions	Term
Standing Committee	2 Clergy, 2 Lay	3 years
Diocesan Council	2 Clergy, 2 Lay	3 years
Deputies to General Convention	4 Clergy (& 4 clergy alternates) 4 Lay (& 4 lay alternates)	3 years
Trustee, University of the South	1 Lay	3 years

The nomination deadline is Monday, September 16, 2019. Nomination forms may be submitted by [online form](#), by email to convention@episcopalchurchsc.org or mailed to the office: P.O. Box 20485, Charleston, SC 29413

Nomination Forms are available on episcopalchurchsc.org. Please submit a high-quality photograph of the nominee. Nominees for Standing Committee and Diocesan Council must be confirmed, adult communicants in good standing in this diocese or members of the clergy canonically resident in this diocese. Nominators must be members of the Convention (lay delegates or members of the clergy) and the consent of the nominee is required.

Below, you will find the current membership of the bodies listed in the above chart. Sitting members of the Standing Committee and Diocesan Council who are completing a full term are not eligible for immediate re-election to their current committee. They are identified below by an asterisk (*).

The Standing Committee

<i>Term Expires Fall 2019</i>	<i>Term Expires Fall 2020</i>	<i>Term Expires Fall 2021</i>
The Very Rev. Wil Keith* The Rev. Jeff Richardson* Carol Grish* Rebecca Lovelace*	The Rev. Dr. George Moyser The Rev. Fred Thompson Emily Guess Rick Stall	The Rev. Pam Fahrner The Rev. Cn. Caleb Lee Thomas Richardson Diane Wilson

The Standing Committee is comprised of six clergy and six lay members. The Standing Committee's responsibilities are: 1) Act as the Standing Committee of the diocese in accordance with the requirements of the Constitutions and Canons of The Episcopal Church, The Constitution of this Diocese (Article IX), and its Canons, including giving consents to Episcopal elections elsewhere in TEC; 2) Act as a Council of advice to the Bishop; and 3) Act as Ecclesiastical Authority in absence of the Bishop.

Commitment: Committee members are expected, at the minimum, to be available for an all-day meeting, including travel, once a month, with additional meetings/preparation as requested. Those who are elected are

to be responsive to email and committed to making the work of the Standing Committee a priority. Meetings are usually held in Charleston, occasionally around the diocese.

The Diocesan Council

<i>Term Expires Fall 2019</i>	<i>Term Expires Fall 2020</i>	<i>Term Expires Fall 2021</i>
The Very Rev. Chris Huff* The Rev. Dr. Matthew McCormick Patricia Neumann* Woody Rutter*	The Rev. Rob Donehue The Rev. Cn. Dr. Wilmot Merchant Ray Wannamaker Sabalis Carrington S. Wingard	The Very Rev. Adam Shoemaker The Rev. Roy Tripp Arenilla K. Bush Sally Mayes

The Diocesan Council is responsible for the development, implementation and oversight of the Diocesan program and budget. Between Diocesan Conventions, the Council functions much like the vestry of a congregation, establishing policies, planning the work of the church, and overseeing its administration.

Time commitment: Meetings 2 hours/month, with additional meetings/preparation as requested. Meetings usually held in Charleston, occasionally around the diocese.

Deputies and Alternates to the 80th General Convention

Each diocese of The Episcopal Church is entitled to four clergy and four lay deputies at the triennial meetings of the General Convention. The Clerical Deputies are priests canonically resident in the Diocese, and the Lay Deputies are confirmed, adult communicants of the Church in the Diocese. Deputies serve any number of three-year terms. The 80th General Convention will be held June 30-July 9, 2021, in Baltimore, Maryland. Deputies should be able to give up two weeks of their professional and family obligations to serve and should be prepared for full days at the Convention - normally 7:30 AM - 10:00 PM as well as the two-day Province IV Synod meetings in June 2020 and June 2021 at Kanuga Conference Center. There is a lot of reading and preparation beforehand, and a detailed process of reporting back to the Diocese afterward. Deputies should be organized, faithful, and dedicated leaders, able to vote according to both their informed conscience and their sense of the will of the diocese as a whole. There will be some diocesan funds available to offset the costs, but additional funds may need to be identified from local parishes and individuals.

Trustees of the University of the South

<i>Term: October 2017- October 2020</i>	<i>Term: October 2018-October 2021</i>	<i>Term: October 2019-October 2022</i>
Jane Hart Lewis	Tom Miller	The Rev. Rob Donehue

The University of the South, located in Sewanee, Tennessee, is owned by the Episcopal dioceses of the southeast, each of which elects two lay persons and one member of the clergy to its Board of Trustees. The Trustees meet once each year for two days. Between annual meetings, trustees serve the University by promoting its mission, encouraging enrollment, and supporting it financially.

Time commitment: One weekend per year at Sewanee for annual meeting. Other meetings/calls as requested. The lay term that is to be elected at this November 2019 Convention will be: October 2020-October 2023

Members of the Nominating Committee by Deanery

Canon 8.2. The ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese shall appoint, at least sixty (60) days before the convening of each annual Convention, a nominating committee comprised of one (1) priest and one (1) layperson from each deanery and shall designate the chairman of the committee.

<i>PeeDee – Waccamaw:</i>	<i>The Rev. Cn. Dr. Wilmot T. Merchant II, Ms. Deb Harris</i>
<i>Charleston Peninsula:</i>	<i>The Rev. Tom Wilson, Mr. Warren Mersereau</i>
<i>West Charleston:</i>	<i>The Very Rev. Chris Huff, Ms. Kim Horton</i>
<i>Southern:</i>	<i>The Rev. James Yarsiah, Ms. Pam Guess</i>