

# Journal of the 223rd Annual Diocesan Convention

The Episcopal Church in South Carolina

All Saints' Episcopal Church, Hilton Head February 21-22, 2014

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Chancellor Mr. Thomas S. Tisdale

Treasurer
The Rev. Dr. James Taylor

Communications Director Ms. Holly Behre

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Administrative Assistant Mrs. Andrea McKellar

# 223<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention Committees

# Bishop's Address

Ms. Delores Miller, Chair The Rev. Dan Clarke

# Constitution and Canons

Mr. Michael Jordan, Chair

Ms. Melinda Lucka

The Rev. Colton Smith

The Ven. Calhoun Walpole

The Rev. Sandra Moyle

Mr. Thomas S. Tisdale

# <u>Credentials - Clergy</u>

The Rev. Dow Sanderson, Chair

The Rev. Jeff Richardson

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Mr. Kerry Grant, Chair

Mr. Timothy Armstrong

# **Dispatch of Business**

The Rev. Colton Smith, Chair

# **Elections**

The Rev. Rick Lindsey, Chair

Mr. George Bresnihan

Ms. Harriett Gettys

# Necrology

The Rev. Roy Hills, Chair

# New Parishes and Missions

The Rev. John Zahl, Chair

The Rev. George Moyser

Mrs. Jane Lewis Mrs. Ginga Wilder

Mr. Thomas S. Tisdale, ex-officio

# **Finance**

Mr. Bart Carson

Ms. Lynn Hopkins

Mr. Mike Jefferson

Ms. Barbara Mann

Mr. Bubba Foy

Mr. Bill Beak

# Resolutions

The Rev. Chris Huff, Chair

Ms. Cathy Battle

The Rev. Al Votaw

Mr. Thomas Tisdale, ex-officio

# **Nominations**

The Ven. Calhoun Walpole, Chair

Mrs. Nancy Bailey

The Rev. Mark Brinkmann

Mrs. Barbara Gilchrist

Mr. Charles Keith

The Rev. Jeffrey Richardson

The Rev. Colton Smith

# Diocesan Council

#### Ex-Officio Members:

The Bishop, The Archdeacon, the Chancellor, the Treasurer, The President of the Standing Committee, The President of Episcopal Churchwomen of the Diocese, A representative of the E.Y.C.

# **Elected by Convention**

Ms. Nancy Bailey (2015)

Ms. Holly Behre (2013)

The Rev. Roy Hills, Jr. (2014)

The Rev. William J. Keith (2013)

The Rev. Mark R. Brinkman (2015) Ms. Barbara Mann (2015)

Ms. Alesia Rico Flores (2014) The Rev. Jeffrey R. Richardson (2015) Ms. Mary Ann Foy (2013) The Rev. Dr. George Tompkins (2013)

Dr. Charles Geer (2014) The Rev. John A. Zahl (2014)

# Standing Committee

Ms. Erin Bailey (2016) The Rev. Colton Smith (2015) Mr. Hillery Douglas (2015) The Ven. Calhoun Walpole (2016)

Mr. Lonnie Hamilton (2016) Ms. Ginga Wilder (2014)

The Rev. Rick Lindsey (2014)

Ms. Rebecca Lovelace (2015)

The Rev. David Williams (2014)

The Rev. Michael Wright (2015)

Ms. Melinda Lucka (2014)

The Rev. Wilmot Merchant (2016) Mr. Thomas S. Tisdale (ex-officio)

# Trustees of the Diocese

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Mrs. Jan Gibert Ms. Betsy Walker
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Mr. Bob Pinkerton Mr. Robert Moffit

The Rev. James Taylor

# Episcopal Diocesan Housing, Inc. Elderly Housing, Inc.

(The Canterbury House) 175 Market Street, Box 5 Charleston, SC 29401 Mrs. Sally Lorbach, Executive Director

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(Bishop Gadsden Episcopal Retirement Community)
One Gadsden Way, Charleston, SC 29412
C. William Trawick, Executive Director

# South Carolina Episcopal Home at Still Hopes

One Still Hopes Drive West Columbia, SC 29169-7151 Mr. Danny Sanford, Executive Director

# Episcopal Church Home for Children

(York Place) untain Street, York, SC 29

234 Kings Mountain Street, York, SC 29745 Ms. Mary Jo Powers, President & CEO

# University of the South

Sewanee, Tennessee

The Rt. Rev. Johnson Howard, Chancellor Mr. John M. McCardell, Jr., Vice-Chancellor and President The Rt. Rev. Neil Alexander, Dean of the School of Theology

Trustees from The Episcopal Church in South Carolina
The Rev. Cn. J. Michael A. Wright
Mrs. Ann Stirling
Mr. Robert Black

#### Kanuga Conferences, Inc.

PO Drawer 250, Hendersonville, NC Mr. Stan Hubbard, Director

#### Porter-Gaud School,

300 Albermarle Road, Charleston, SC 29407 Mr. Robert Y. Scott, Chairman of the Board Mr. Dubose Egleston, Headmaster ,The Rev. Brian McGreevy, Chaplain The Rev. Jennie Olbrych, Chaplain

# Voorhees College

Denmark, SC 29042

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Trustees for the Diocese of South Carolina:
The Rev. James Yarsiah

# Commission on Ministry

Ms. Margreit Wright Ms. Mary Ann Foy Dr. Amy Webb Mr. Chris Hayes The Rev. Rick Luoni The Rev. Rick Lindsey The Rev. Dow Sanderson The Rev. Wil Keith

# **Examining Chaplains**

# Former Bishops of The Diocese

First Bishop The Rt. Rev. Robert Smith, D.D. Consecrated September 13, 1795, Died October 28, 1801 The Rt. Rev. Theodore Dehon, D.D. Second Bishop Consecrated October 15, 1812, Died August 6, 1817 Third Bishop The Rt. Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D.D. Consecrated October 15, 1812, Died August 25, 1839 Fourth Bishop The Rt. Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D.D. Consecrated June 21, 1840, Died June 24, 1852 Fifth Bishop The Rt. Rev. Thomas Frederick Davis, D.D. Consecrated October 17, 1853, Died December 2, 1871 Sixth Bishop The Rt. Rev. William Bell White Howe, D.D.

Seventh Bishop
The Rt. Rev. Ellison Capers, D. D.
Consecrated July 20, 1893, Died April 22, 1908

Eighth Bishop
The Rt. Rev. William Alexander Guerry, D.D.
Consecrated September 15, 1907, Died June 9, 1928

Ninth Bishop
The Rt. Rev. Albert S. Thomas, D.D., LL.D., S.T.D.
Consecrated November 30, 1928, Died October 8, 1967

Tenth Bishop
The Rt. Rev. Thomas N. Carruthers, D.D., T.D
Consecrated May 4, 1944, Died June 12, 1960

Eleventh Bishop
The Rt. Rev. Gray Temple, D.D.
Consecrated January 11, 1961, Died October 28, 1999

Thirteenth Bishop

Twelfth Bishop

Fourteenth Bishop

The Rt. Rev. Edward L. Salmon, Jr. Consecrated February 24, 1990, Retired February 1, 2006

The Rt. Rev. C. FitzSimons Allison, D. Phil (Oxon.) Consecrated September 25, 1980, Retired February 24, 1990

Consecrated October 9, 1871, Died November 25, 1894

The Rt. Rev. Mark Joseph Lawrence

Consecrated January 26, 2008-Removed October 2012

# List of Clergy in Order of Canonical Residence

#### RETIRED BISHOPS

Allison, C. FitzSimons	September 25, 1980
Haynsworth, G. Edward	December 1, 1985
Salmon, Edward L. Jr	February24, 1990
Skilton, Willam J.	August 1, 1988
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#### PRIESTS AND DEACONS

Baird, Robert	January 4, 1949
Beckwith, John Q., III	April 25, 1966
Sosnowski, Fredrick S.	June 6, 1968
Lent, Morris J., Jr.	March 1, 1979
Tindall, Byron C.	October 18, 1983
Smith, Roger W.	April 13, 1984
Tompkins, George J., III	February 10, 1987
Finch, Floyd W., Jr.	February 8, 1988
Huff, Christopher M.	June 23, 1988
Olbrych, Jennie C.	June 23, 1988
Dover, John R. III	November 29, 1988
Dewey, E. Robinson, Jr.	September 5, 1989

Hills, William L Jr. Rose, William H. Smith, Colton M., III

McPhail, Donald S.

Lewis, Theodore R., Jr.

Powell, Marilyn Burton, J. Michael

Lantz, John Putnam, Sally

Johnson. Emmanuel W.

Nietert, Jack F. Cockrell, J. Grafton Clarke. Daniell., Jr. Cole. Michael G.

Merchant Wilmot T. II

Cheves, Henry Lindsey, Richard C. Hussey-Smith, Tedra

Gray, Douglas
Taylor, James E.
Wiseley, Jerry L.
Williams. David A
Morgan, Randall
Richardson, Jeff
Walpole, Calhoun
Grant, Sandra M

Grant, Sandra M. Limehouse. Capers

Thompson, Fred Dubose, Jerry

Ewing, Judith

Wright, Jonathan Michael

Yarsiah, James Evenson, Bruce J. Oswald Todd

Smith. Michael W. Russ, Frank D., Jr.

Zahl, John.

Brinkmann. Mark R. Luoni. Richard B.

Devaty. Jean Smith, Gregory Mills, III, Ladson June 30, 1990

August 1, 1990

December 15, 1991

December 18, 1991 December 31, 1991

October 10, 1993

January 11, 1995

November 21, 1995

October 4, 1991 May 18, 1998

October 6, 1998

February 25, 1999

June 17, 1999

November 1, 1999

October 16, 2000

February 22, 2001

February 14, 2003 March 6, 2003

March 2003

September 1, 2003

September 1, 2001

March 1, 2004

May 1, 2005

June 11, 2006

June 25, 2005

September 10, 2005

September 10, 2005

September 10, 2005

April 25, 2006

June 22, 2006

July 27, 2006

August 21, 2006

September 26, 2006

July 1, 2006

October 12, 2006

December 19, 2005

June 16, 2007

August 20, 2007

December 31, 2007

August 5, 2008

August 14, 2008

April 6, 2010

Hershon, Lee September 11, 2010 Schneider, Matthew June 2, 2012 July 16, 2012 Rathman, William December 15, 2009 Thompson, Henry Keith, Wil January 25, 2013 February 25, 2013 Barron, Alex McGraw, Jean March 6, 2013 Fisher, John C. March 21, 2013 Sanderson, M. Dow March 22, 2013 Fahrner, Pamela Dee

Fahrner, Pamela Dee April 3, 2013
Moyser, George April 3, 2013
Timmerman, Melissa R. June 4, 2013

Jett, CharlesJune 18, 2013Votaw, AlastairOctober 13, 2013Porcher, PhilipNovember 18, 2013

# Parishes in Union with Convention and Delegates Attending

# All Saint's Episcopal Church

3001 Meeting Street Hilton Head Island, SC 29926 (843) 681-8333 Kerry Grant, Carol Grish, Michael Jordan, Marilyn Roper

# Calvary Episcopal Church

104 Line Street Charleston, SC 29403 (843) 723-3878 Timothy Armstrong, Frederick Fielding, Wilhelmina A. Frasier, P. Alesia Rico Flores

# Grace Episcopal Church

98 Wentworth Street Charleston, SC 29401 Jeremy Cook, Jim Hutchisson, Lester Pittman, Cece Stricklin

# St. George's Episcopal Church

9110 Dorchester Road Summerville, SC 29485 (843) 873-0772 William Lomax, Nadine Lomax, Kevin Murphy, Richard Walker

# Church of the Holy Communion

218 Ashley Avenue Charleston, SC 29403 (843) 722-2024 Johnny Jordan, Ben Traywick, Joe Villeponteaux, Diana Vincent

# Holy Cross Faith Memorial Episcopal Church

85 Baskerville Drive Pawleys Island, SC 29585 (843) 237-3459 Langston Donkle, Sheila Freeze, Doug Osborne, Mike Thomas

#### St. Mark's Episcopal Church

18 Thomas Street Charleston, SC 29403 (843) 722-0267 Aaron Harvey, Wilma Maiers, Robert Waters, George Bresnihan

#### St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

67 Anson Street Charleston, SC 29401 (843) 723-8818 Iris Carson, Elizabeth Hills Jan Van Norte, Betsy Walker,

# St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

801 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue N North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582 (843) 249-1169 Peter Berthrong, Eileen Carzon, Sally Davis, Douglas Roderick

# St. Thomas Episcopal Church

1150 E Montague Ave North Charleston, SC 29405 (843) 747-0479 Yvonne Finne, Dan Ligon, Robert Moffitt, Willa Moffitt

# Missions in Union with Convention and Delegates Attending

# All Saint's Episcopal Church

511 Jackson Ave E Hampton, SC 29924 (803) 943-2300 Mary Bryan, LaClaire Laffitte

# Church of the Holy Communion

401 Main Street N Allendale, SC 29810 (843) 584-2346 Don Cook, Sue Cook

# Church of the Heavenly Rest

152 Collie Road Estill SC 29918 (803) 584-2346 Michaele Tison, William Tison

# Christ Episcopal Church

5266 Carolina Hwy Bamberg SC 29003 (803) 793-4837 Emily Guess, Joe Guess

# Church of the Epiphany

212 Central Ave Summerville SC 29483- (843) 873-8915 Steve Jackson, Patricia Sobol

# St. James-Santee Episcopal Church

144 Oak Street McClellanville, SC 29458 (843) 887-4386 Kimber Bates, George Geer

# St. Augustine's Episcopal Church

5450 Milford Plantation Rd. Pinewood SC 29125 (Near Wedgefield, SC) (803) 425-9424 John Spann

# St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

196 Brick Church Road St. Stephen's SC 29479 (843) 567-3419 Leslie Clark, Margaret Sauls

# St. Alban's Episcopal Church

305 Hampton Avenue Kingstree, SC 29556 (843) 355-7575 Kathy McCullough, William McCullough

Voorhees College - Voorhees College and St. Philip's Episcopal Chapel 386 Porter Road Denmark, SC 29042 (866) 685-9904 Shirley Robinson, Virginia Williams

# Other Delegates

Cathy Battle, Bill Warner, Janet D. Clark, Alex G. Shifflet, Ellen Hardin, Lisa Seagle, George L. Tupper, Jr., Ginga C. Wilder, Harriet Gettys, Gretchen Smith

Proceedings of the 223<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention Friday, February 21 & Saturday February 22, 2014 All Saints' Episcopal Church, Hilton Head Island

#### MINUTES OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONVENTION FEBRUARY 21, 2014

The Annual Convention was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by the Rt. Rev. Charles Glenn vonRosenberg at All Saints Episcopal Church on Hilton Head Island. Bishop vonRosenberg then recognized the Rt. Rev. Michael B. Curry, Bishop of North Carolina, as the preacher for the Choral Eucharist service that would follow and announced that following the Eucharist, the convention would be in recess until 9 a.m. the following day, February 22, 2014

Bishop vonRosenberg then called upon the Rev. Dow Sanderson of the Credentials Committee. Father Sanderson reported that 21 priest delegates had voice and vote and 62 lay delegates had seat, voice and vote. Bishop vonRosenberg certified that a quorum was present and presented a proposed agenda.

Bishop vonRosenberg said the convention needed to elect a Secretary and a Treasurer, and he put forward the Ven. Calhoun Walpole as a nominee for Secretary. He asked if there were any other nominations. There were none, and a motion to close nominations and elect Archdeacon Walpole was made, seconded and approved.

Bishop vonRosenberg then put forward the Rev. James E. Taylor as a nominee for Treasurer and asked if there were any other nominations. There were none, and a motion to close nominations and elect the Rev. Taylor was made, seconded and approved.

Bishop vonRosenberg then appointed Mr. Thomas Tisdale, Chancellor of the Diocese, as the convention's parliamentarian.

Bishop vonRosenberg noted a list of nominees and resolutions was provided in delegates' packets, and he asked if there were any additional nominations or resolutions. There were none, and he declared the nominations closed. He also called upon Archdeacon Walpole, who said the Constitution and Canons Committee would meet at 7:30 a.m. February 22 in the All Saints' youth room.

Bishop vonRosenberg asked the clergy to assemble on the side porch for a photograph and requested that voting delegates sit toward the front of the church when the convention reconvened the following morning. The convention then went into recess following the celebration of Holy Eucharist.

The convention reconvened on February 22, 2014 at 9:07 a.m. Bishop vonRosenberg called upon the Archdeacon, the Ven. Calhoun Walpole, to lead Morning Prayer.

Bishop vonRosenberg then called for a second report from the Credentials Committee report, and the Rev. Sanderson reported that the convention has 22 clergy delegates and 73 lay delegates registered.

A motion was made to approve the proposed agenda, and it was seconded and passed unanimously.

Bishop vonRosenberg recognized special guests, including Bishop Curry, Rick Govan, deputy for ministry and congregational development in the Diocese of East Tennessee, Paul Nix, Diocesan Partner of The Episcopal Church in South Carolina, the Rev. Taylor Dinsmore of the Diocese of East Tennessee, the Rev. Lucia Lloyd and the Rev. Kathleen Chipps, priests from Virginia who have worked with our worshiping communities. We have representatives from Voorhees College, Kanuga Conferences, The University of the South, Porter Gaud School and Bishop Gadsden.

Bishop vonRosenberg also called attention to exhibitors who have presented information on institutions they represent, and he encouraged those in attendance to visit their exhibits.

Bishop vonRosenberg recognized two postulants: Rob Donahue, currently a junior at Sewanee: The University of the South, and Jason Roberson who will be entering a seminary next fall.

Bishop vonRosenberg called for a report from the Committee on Admission of Parishes and Mission. Chancellor Tisdale said he was asked by the Bishop to examine applications of five worshiping communities that wish to be admitted as missions, and each has met all the canonical requirements for such admission. He

passed his report to the Rev. John Zahl, who said he gives the report with great pleasure. It was moved that these five churches be accepted as missions: The Episcopal Church on Edisto, St. Francis Episcopal Church, West Ashley, The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Summerville, St. Catherine's Episcopal Church, Florence, and St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Conway. The convention gave the five a standing ovation, and Bishop vonRosenberg said he took that reaction as approval. He invited delegates from the missions to take their place in the front of the church. He said the convention will have the opportunity to greet each delegation and their supporters later, so the celebration has only begun.

Chancellor Tisdale reported for the Committee on Constitution and Canons. He noted that during last year, the Convention decided to amend the Constitution and Canons by conforming them to their 2007 versions, before the Episcopacy of Bishop Mark Lawrence. Mr. Tisdale noted that changes in the Constitution require votes on two successive annual conventions, and approval was given at last year's convention. Bishop vonRosenberg indicated that the matter before convention is the second reading of the proposed Constitution, and adoption requires a two thirds vote in both orders. He called for discussion, but there was none. The clergy eligible to vote approved the proposed Constitution unanimously by voice vote. Lay delegates eligible to vote also approved the proposed Constitution unanimously by voice vote. Bishop vonRosenberg declared that the proposed Constitution has been adopted.

Bishop Charles vonRosenberg said each of our new missions would have their own moment, and the first is The Episcopal Church on Edisto, whose members processed into convention, amid appropriate recognition.

Bishop Charles G. vonRosenberg called on Michael Jordan for a second report from Constitution and Canons. Mr. Jordan said the proposed revisions to Constitution and Canons also include proposed and revised Rules of Order, which the Committee unanimously recommended be approved.

Bishop vonRosenberg said the proposed canons, including the Rules of Order, are now before the convention and he asked if there was any discussion and noted this would require a two-thirds vote in both orders. The clergy voted in a unanimous voice vote to approve them. The laity also voted unanimously in favor of the proposed canons. Bishop Charles G. vonRosenberg said the committee has done yeoman's work over the past year and thanked Mr. Jordan and others for their work. Mr. Jordan said future study and discussion is probably appropriate. Bishop vonRosenberg agreed this task is an ongoing one and said the committee will continue to meet and could propose further changes next year.

Bishop vonRosenberg then called upon mission of St. Francis Church, West Ashley, whose members processed in, to much applause.

Bishop vonRosenberg then called upon Archdeacon Walpole for a report on the Nominating Committee. Archdeacon Walpole thanked the committee for its work and thanked those who sent in nominations. Bishop vonRosenberg asked delegates to mark their green ballots at this time for positions on The Standing Committee; The Diocesan Council; The University of the South; and Trustee for The Episcopal Church in South Carolina.

Bishop Charles G. vonRosenberg then referred to the yellow ballots with lay nominees and clergy nominees to the 78<sup>th</sup> General Convention of The Episcopal Church, and he asked those nominated to stand.

Chancellor Tisdale then gave his report, and he said during last year's special convention, the Chief Liturgical Officer presented him with a cap as a symbol of his office. He noted this year, the Chief Liturgical

Officer presented him with a purple robe, and he took that as symbolic evidence of the progress made during the past year. He said he was gratified by the successful development of our worshiping communities and by the creation from scratch of new Trustees and a Standing Committee. He said The Episcopal Church in South Carolina is now a fully functioning, completely reorganized diocese happily heading in the right direction together. He briefed the convention on three pending legal actions, including two in U.S. District Court and one in a Dorchester County Court. He said he would not go into much detail but said the actions were progressing nicely. He also noted the U.S. District Judge Patrick Michael Duffy has ordered the church's insurance company to help with attorneys' fees and other costs, and South Carolina is the only diocese to have achieved that. He noted Diocesan Communications Coordinator Holly Behre will post full updates of the litigation on the diocesan website.

Bishop vonRosenberg then recognized St. Catherine's Episcopal Church, Florence, whose members processed in, with fanfare.

Bishop vonRosenberg then called on the Rev. Jim Taylor to present the finance report. Fr. Taylor noted The Episcopal Church in South Carolina received a 2013 grant from the General Church for \$185,000 to support diocesan operations. Because of strong support, the diocese will operate this year without any such grant, a tremendous accomplishment. He said as the diocese celebrates, it should be mindful that its staff, including Holly Behre, Lauren Kinard and Andrea McKellar are part-time and work more hours than they are compensated.

Fr. Taylor thanked the members of the Diocesan Finance Committee, which submitted the 2014 budget for approval. Bishop vonRosenberg asked if there was any discussion on the proposed budget. There was none, and the budget was approved on a voice vote.

Bishop vonRosenberg then recognized members of St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Conway, who processed in, with enthusiastic support.

Bishop vonRosenberg then asked for the first report of the Committee for Resolutions. The Rev. Chris Huff reported that there is one resolution to consider, "Stewardship of Undesignated Gift-Bequest." Bishop vonRosenberg asked if there were any questions about the resolution. There were none, and it was approved unanimously.

Bishop vonRosenberg then welcomed the mission of The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Summerville, whose members processed in, with accompanying applause.

Bishop vonRosenberg then gave his address.

Bishop vonRosenberg then called upon Historiographer Scott Howell, who noted the office was created in 1915 by Bishop William Guerry. Since the office's inception, there have been seven Historiographers, and the office has continued without interruption. He expressed appreciation for the support from Bishop vonRosenberg, Archdeacon Walpole, and Chancellor Tisdale. Mr. Howell described his work as a reference librarian and fact-checker, and he said the office's old location at the Cathedral of St. Luke and St. Paul is now shuttered. He hopes to find a new physical location within the coming year, which will mark the centennial of the office.

Bishop vonRosenberg then asked the Rev. Sanderson to report for the Commission on Ministry. Fr. Sanderson said the Commission has, with advice from Dr. Amy Webb, put in place new protocols for psychological screening. In 2013, Fr. Sanderson noted Rob Donahue came with unanimous recommendation from the vestry of Grace Church, and he was approved. The Commission also approved Mr. Jason Roberson, who came recommended from Grace Church. Fr. Sanderson said the Commission has sought to move more fully into current canons, to understand its responsibilities and become more viable. He noted Education for Ministry comes under its umbrella, and EfM hopes to strengthen existing groups and begin new groups throughout the diocese. The Commission's next task will be to travel around the diocese and get to know the partners, including the new mission groups who have much to teach.

Bishop vonRosenberg thanked Fr. Sanderson, and called for the report of the Standing Committee.

The Rev. Wilmot T. Merchant, II thanked the bishop for leading the diocese through the past year's reorganization and said he appreciates walking alongside him. Fr. Merchant also thanked the diocesan staff and Chancellor Tisdale. Fr. Merchant said the Committee met about a dozen times in the past year regarding several issues, the most difficult of which involved clergy who had left The Episcopal Church. Fr. Merchant said the Committee gave the Bishop permission not to depose these clergy but rather to release them from ordination roles in The Episcopal Church. Of this group, one clergy member decided to renounce his ordination. The Committee also consented to the election of three bishops and accomplished other duties as prescribed by canon.

Bishop vonRosenberg then called on the Chaplain for the Retired Clergy, the Rev. Al Votaw. Fr. Votaw said of the 72 or so clergy recognized by The Episcopal Church of South Carolina, 49 are retired. He said the worshiping communities especially know the important role of retired clergy in their development, and the Rev. Votaw said he was proud to be a part of one of them. Fr. Votaw said more worshiping communities may emerge, and retired clergy have a role that is crucial in the development of the diocese.

Bishop vonRosenberg said the reports of the Diocesan Council and Diocesan Trustees are in the Journal and declared the convention in recess for a lunch break at 10:58 a.m.

Bishop vonRosenberg reconvened the convention at 12:19 p.m. and called upon the Rev. Richard C. Lindsey to give the Elections Committee report.

The Rev. Rick Lindsey said those elected to the Standing Committee included lay nominees Dr. Frances Elmore and Dr. Scott Shaffer and clergy nominees the Rev. Chris Huff and the Rev. Jean McGraw. Those elected to The Diocesan Council included lay nominees Jim Gettys and Carol Grish and clergy nominees, the Rev. Alistair Votaw and the Rev. David Williams. Jane Hart Lewis was elected to a Trustee position at The University of the South, and the Rev. Donald S. McPhail was elected as Trustee to The Episcopal Church in South Carolina.

The Rev. Lindsey said those elected lay deputies to represent The Episcopal Church in South Carolina at the 78th General Convention included Thomas Tisdale, Lonnie Hamilton III, Mary Ann Foy and Andrea McKellar. Those elected as alternates included Dr. Charles Geer, Dr. James Hutchisson, Melinda Lucka and Barbara Mann.

The clergy deputies elected to represent The Episcopal Church in South Carolina at the 78<sup>th</sup> General Convention included the Rev. Jim Taylor, the Rev. Dr. Wilmot T. Merchant, II, the Rev. Richard C. Lindsey, and the Rev. Cn. J. Michael A. Wright. The clergy elected as alternates included the Rev. Wil Keith, the Rev. Rick Luoni, the Rev. Jean McGraw and the Rev. Jeff Richardson.

Bishop vonRosenberg called upon Mr. Bill Trawick of Bishop Gadsden to address the convention. Mr. Trawick said the retirement community has 435 residents and soon expects to have 500, on more than 100 acres. He said it is the city of Charleston's tenth largest employer and is nationally recognized as one of the most beautiful and successful retirement communities in the Southeast. Mr. Trawick also noted that Bishop Gadsden is one of only 267 retirement communities accredited nationally and one of only 69 given an investment grade credit rating by Fitch. He credited its success to a visionary board of trustees with a wealth of professional experience.

Bishop vonRosenberg called upon Mr. Jimmy Haden, vice president of hospitality and sales at Kanuga Conferences, who said it was good to see many old friends here and to meet new ones. Mr. Haden said you are not just connected to Kanuga, you are Kanuga, and he noted his wife is great-granddaughter of the late Bishop William Guerry. He invited delegates to come to Kanuga.

Bishop vonRosenberg noted The University of South was represented at the booth by Ms. Ann Stirling, a Trustee of the University of the South.

Bishop vonRosenberg called upon Dr. Cleveland Sellers of Voorhees College, who talked about the college's founding in 1927 by Elizabeth Evelyn Wright, a pioneer in education and graduate of Tuskegee Institute and prodigy of Booker T. Washington. Dr. Sellers said Voorhees has approximately 700 students, 96 percent of whom receive some sort of financial aid. He said 43 percent are first generation college students and many come from the state's infamous "Corridor of Shame", so named because of its struggling schools. Dr. Sellers said historically black colleges and universities have seen enrollment declines because of policy changes in the U.S. Department of Education, and this created an approximately \$150,000 revenue shortage at Voorhees, which has begun to address those issues and move forward. Dr. Sellers noted that Voorhees became affiliated with The Episcopal Church in 1929, and that relationship has been maintained from that point forward.

Bishop vonRosenberg called upon Ms. Mary Joe Powers of Thompson Child and Family Focus, the agency that merged with York Place. She said the agency is thrilled to be working in South Carolina and is planning to close its psychology program on the York Place campus to recognize how the service landscape is changing from residential programs to community-based services. That program had seven children, and the agency is still trying to find a suitable place for two of them who are left. The campus is remaining open and offers a family care center in partnership with the S.C. Department of Social Service as well as substance abuse treatment for mothers and a counseling center. She said she is looking for church homes that would like to partner as the agency looks to expand in communities beyond Rock Hill.

Bishop vonRosenberg called upon the Rev. Dr. Jennie C. Olbrych of Porter Gaud School, chaplain of the Lower School and Vicar of St. James-Santee in McClellanville. She noted Porter Gaud was founded in 1867 by the Rev. Dr. Anthony Toomer Porter following the Civil War.

Bishop vonRosenberg then called upon Delores Miller to give the Report of the Committee on the Bishop's Address. She offered her typically-delightful response to the Bishop's Address.

Bishop Charles G. vonRosenberg then called upon the Rev. Roy Hills to give Report of the Committee of Necrology. Fr. Hills said the committee has received several names who have served the diocese well but the list does not include all names. Prayers for the departed were offered.

The Rev. Chris Huff then was called upon to offer a report of the Committee on Courtesy. On behalf of the 223<sup>rd</sup> Diocesan Convention, resolutions of appreciation and thanks were offered to Bishop Michael B. Curry, Mr. Rick Govan, Mr. Paul Nix, the Revs. Lucia Lloyd and Kathleen Chipps, the Rev. Rick Lindsey and the clergy, staff, and members of All Saints', Hilton Head, the diocesan staff, the Bishop and his wife, newly admitted missions, Holy Cross Faith Memorial, Pawley's Island for their gift given in support of convention in honor of their new associate priest, The Rev. Sandra Moyle, and all delegates, clergy and laity who travelled here to be the church and be God's witness.

Bishop vonRosenberg noted the previous evening's offering of \$2,991.10 would be split between Episcopal Relief and Development and Family Promise of Beaufort County, a local charity.

Bishop vonRosenberg then called on the Rev. Dow Sanderson, who extended an invitation to 224th convention next year at the Church of the Holy Communion in Charleston.

The Rev. Colton Smith reported that all the business of this convention listed on the agenda had been dispatched. Bishop vonRosenberg then asked for a motion to adjourn, and it was so moved, seconded and approved at 1:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

The Rt. Rev. Charles Glenn vonRosenberg

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Provisional Bishop of the Episcopal Church in S.C.

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# Appendix I Bishop's Address

#### INTRODUCTION

I want to begin this Address by thanking some of the people who have worked so hard and so well during the past year, on behalf of The Episcopal Church in South Carolina. We have a wonderful diocesan staff, as many of you know. My Executive Assistant, Lauren Kinard, the Archdeacon, Callie Walpole, and the Communications Director, Holly Behre, all have enabled substantial accomplishments that put to shame their identification as part-timers! Also, our newest addition to the staff – Andrea McKellar – has begun fitting into the established tradition of effecting significant ministry throughout the diocese. I am grateful indeed for our several diocesan staff members. In addition, the diocesan officers – including Tom Tisdale, Chancellor, and Jim Taylor, Treasurer – likewise have represented us capably and well. Also, many others of you present here have served in leadership positions in our diocese over the past year, and you have given of your time and from your talents in ways that have enriched our common life.

In addition, I want to thank our established parishes and missions for your consistent and dependable witness and support, as well as for all your efforts on behalf the churches and people of this diocese and beyond. Let me call attention, as well, to our worshipping communities and newest mission churches, for your willingness to sacrifice on behalf of The Episcopal Church. Your sacrifice has provided an inspiration to all of us here ... and to others far beyond South Carolina. Such sacrifice has led to possibilities of liberation and rebirth, and your witness is powerful indeed.

Especially on this occasion – and on behalf of us all – I want to thank the staff and people of All Saints, Hilton Head, for your careful and hospitable preparations for this annual convention. In the life of a parish church, this is an extraordinary event, and I recognize that hosting a diocesan convention is not an easy task. Thank you for your good work.

Finally, thanks to my wife, Annie, who has seen our retirement plans modified significantly and who has faced current challenges with her typical grace and support for her undeserving husband.

With the benefit of hindsight – and upon further reflection – a great deal has been accomplished since our last annual convention. In fact, it has been a remarkable year, in many ways. Together we have borne witness to the convention theme, "We All Are Ministers." Thanks to all of you, for jobs well and faithfully done, over the past twelve months!

#### AN INTERESTING HISTORICAL ANALOGY

For a change of pace in these remarks, I want to tell you a story ... one that you might find familiar. Once upon a time, within our church, there was a group that became more and more dissatisfied about certain emphases in the larger church. It certainly was true that this group stood for particular and distinctive points of view, even though many people would say the church was big enough to incorporate such a variety of emphasis. I will list some of the points of distinction and debate. However, before I do so, I want to point out that these differences are not necessarily mutually exclusive of each other. Thus, without being dogmatic

about distinctions, some of those differences between groups within the church were these.

On the one hand, there was a theological concentration on the righteousness of believers; and on the other hand, a theological concentration on God's mercy. On the one hand, personal piety and a zeal for faith were emphasized, often accompanied by a conversion experience. On the other hand, pastoral care and a deep and abiding commitment to the faith were emphasized, with special attention to the experience of nurture in the faith. The one group focused on a personal experience of Christ and personal salvation; while the other focused on the community of faith and the communion of the saints. On the one hand, church growth and evangelism were most prominent; but on the other, outreach and service. On the one hand, membership included many new converts to the faith; but on the other, membership primarily involved members of long standing. One group understood bishops primarily as organizers for local and global mission, while the other saw bishops as guardians of the Faith and points of connection to the historic Church. Local clergy were seen as evangelists by some, but others understood local clergy primarily as conveyers of the sacraments of Christ. The one group understood the church as an organization to promote and spread Christianity; while the other perceived the church as the Body of Christ, an organism enabling unity among followers.

Thus, you see, these perspectives did indeed present differing emphases. As I pointed out earlier, some people understood that such differences were not exclusive of each other, and indeed, such variety enriched the experience of the church. However, the other group understood the differences as pointing to distinctions that questioned whether the church could remain united. Eventually the divisions became entrenched to the point that one group split apart from the other, and a separation did come about. And, by 1795, the Methodist Church had been formed, out of the Church of England. (historical notes from Ye Are the Body, Bonnell Spencer, 1970, pp 296-299).

#### THE ANALOGY BROUGHT UP TO DATE

Now, the most recent unpleasantness in South Carolina differs in some ways from the split that formed the Methodist Church. Most especially, the Methodists did not try to take the identity and the property of the mother church. However, it seems to me that the similarities in these two church divisions are noteworthy.

If you accept my proposition that significant similarities exist in those two situations, then what I have to say next will be very important for you to hear. Indeed, it seems to me that we have a great deal more to learn about what has taken place since the formation of the Methodist Church than we might observe about the split itself.

At a recent meeting of the Episcopal House of Bishops, we had several United Methodist bishops and theologians present. We engaged in discussions with them about a paper with an interesting title – and certainly interesting for our purposes today - "A Theological Foundation for Full Communion between The Episcopal Church and The United Methodist Church."

I need to emphasize that these are only discussions about proposals at this point. Nevertheless, the trajectory of the conversation becomes obvious. It represents a familiar trajectory that we have followed previously with The Evangelical Lutheran Church, among others. Let me share some points from the study paper with you.

From the "Introduction", we may read this: "Full communion is understood as a relationship between two distinct ecclesiastical bodies in which each maintains its own autonomy while recognizing the catholicity and apostolicity of the other, and believing the other to hold the essentials of the Christian faith" (p 7). Then, as part of one proposal is found this observation: "Our two communions have already declared publicly, as churches, that we recognize each other as part of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church in which the Gospel is rightly preached" (p 8). This affirmation is followed quickly by a different – but important – observation: "Our quest for full communion is grounded in our calling to mission today, and we recognize that our current state of visible division is a hindrance to our mission" (p 8). Thus, arguments can and should be made on behalf of unity and, also, against disunity.

In addition, the document's "Conclusion" includes these interesting observations: "We have begun to see that we are two members of the same family who responded to a common mission imperative in eighteenth-century North America, out of a passion for Christ and the church. While our communions diverged since then, we are still a family with deep, common roots. We believe that this Statement shows us a path into the future where our two great churches can share in full communion while we both pursue the mission Christ sets before us in the twenty-first century" (p 43).

#### LONG TERM AND SHORT TERM GOALS IN THE PRACTICE OF FAITH

Now, this study represents an interesting and important document for us in The Episcopal Church, as we seek to live into our Lord's call and prayer for unity. In addition, though – and especially for us in South Carolina today – this document helps us recognize something else...something very important for us to realize. That is, the Spirit of God moves through history in the direction of unity. To be sailing within the stream of the Spirit necessarily involves us in efforts toward church unity. In faithfulness to our Lord, therefore, we work and pray and live in anticipation that one day we all may be one, in Christ's name.

With that end and goal in mind, however, we have work to do in the mean time. Christian unity – with United Methodists and with former Episcopalians, for instance – may not reach fulfillment soon. But we do have callings to answer in our day, even as we look forward to a future day of unity.

As members of The Episcopal Church, there are principles and perspectives that we hold dear. We need to be as strong and as committed as we can be about those fundamental beliefs – not only for the sake of Episcopalians ourselves, but also for the sake of conversations with other Christian brothers and sisters. That is, as Episcopalians we have important perspectives and experiences to share within these larger discussions and as part of the larger body. What we believe and cherish, therefore, is significant not only to us – but also, beyond ourselves.

#### SOME ESSENTIALS IN OUR FAITH PRACTICE

I want to suggest now several basic offerings that we make, as Episcopalians, in conversations in the service of Christian unity. These offerings name some of the essential matters for us in this diocese to focus on. The list is not exhaustive, certainly, but it includes some essentials for us, as The Episcopal Church in South Carolina.

As Episcopal Christians, we affirm the three sources of authority which have guided historic Anglicanism through the centuries – scripture, tradition, and reason. Not all Christians hold all of those as authoritative for a faithful life and witness. However, as Episcopal Christians, we do hold to those three sources of authority for our faith. Therefore, in our present lives, we must affirm who we are and how we come to believe the Faith we hold dear. Scripture, tradition, and reason form us, identify us, and give us content for our discussions with fellow Christians. For us in South Carolina, therefore, it is essential for us to maintain and affirm the three sources of authority in historic Anglicanism – scripture, tradition, and reason.

Also, an important principle in the life of the Church is Lex Orendi Lex Credendi. Literally, that may be translated, "the law of prayer is the law of belief." More freely, the phrase indicates that the way we worship informs what we believe. Or, in other words, as we worship, so we will live ("Saints Alive" newsletter, All Saints Church, Atlanta, winter, 2011). Therefore, for us in South Carolina – and for The Episcopal Church in general – we need to appreciate and to emphasize the significance of our church liturgy within the life of faith. Our liturgy remains at the core of who we are and of what we offer to the larger church family.

In addition, a primary mark of identify within The Episcopal Church has emerged from the 1979 Book of Common Prayer. And that identifying mark is the Baptismal Covenant. Within that Covenant, we affirm that we will "respect the dignity of every human being" (BCP, p 305). For us as The Episcopal Church in South Carolina, this affirmation has definite and particular applications, as we include all the children of God in our common life. This principle is crucial to us, and it identifies part of who we are – a part that is important to include in our conversations with fellow Christians.

The final essential principle on this list for us today is an emphasis on mission. It was the great twentieth century Archbishop of Canterbury, William Temple, who once said, "The Church is the only society on earth that exists for the benefit of non-members" (from "Bishop's Visitation Charge" to Diocese of Monmouth). As part of our Episcopal heritage, within the Christian family, we must focus on the world beyond our walls. Our call is to follow the One who lived and died for the sake of the world created by God Almighty ... and that world is our mission field. If we claim Jesus as our Lord, we realize the essential nature of mission in our life as a Church.

#### CONCLUSION

In this Address, I have attempted to do several things. Initially, I spoke of my sense of gratitude toward people who have labored diligently and effectively on behalf of The Episcopal Church in South Carolina this year. Indeed, "We All Are Ministers" ... and we continue to be called into ministry, for our Lord's sake. Then, I teased you with reference to the split of the Methodist Church from the Church of England, drawing parallels in that event with recent happenings in South Carolina. Next, I made the point which I hope you will remember most of all. That is, the Spirit of God moves through history in the direction of unity among God's people. I believe that principle; I pray for our unity; and I encourage you to join me in that belief and prayer. Finally, though, I pointed out that we have been entrusted with a treasure as members of The Episcopal Church, and that treasure has special blessings. We need to claim those blessings, not only for ourselves but, also, to share with the larger community of Faith. Indeed, I believe that is our responsibility in this day. Among those blessings in our treasure of faith are the three sources of authority – scripture, tradition, and reason. Also, we have been blessed by a liturgy that forms us as a people of faith. In addition, we emphasize the inclusion of all people in our common life, as indicative of our respect for the dignity of

every human being. And finally, believing that such blessings are not ours to hoard for ourselves, we commit ourselves to the mission of Jesus Christ in the world.

In conclusion, then, may we recognize and give thanks to God for our blessings as The Episcopal Church; may we focus on our special treasure, not only for our own sake but for the sake of the world; and may we work, pray, and live as part of the dream and prayer of Jesus, for unity. Amen.

The Right Reverend Charles G. vonRosenberg

# Appendix II Bishop's Journal

Holy Eucharists - 35 Sermons - 25 Church visitations - 25 Baptisms -2Confirmations - 30 Marriages – 2 Funerals - 1 Other services – 5 Vestry meetings and workshops – 7 Parish / mission meetings – 52 Diocesan meetings – 107

Provincial and Church-wide meetings – 35

Removals - 105

As Bishop vonRosenberg is canonically resident in East Tennessee, this report has been submitted to the Diocese of East Tennessee as a non-parochial report, but should also be recorded as part of the record for The Episcopal Church in South Carolina.

# Appendix III **Elections**

# Standing Committee

Lay: Dr. Frances Elmore

Dr. Scott Shaffer

The Rev. Chris Huff Clergy:

The Rev. Jean McGraw

#### Diocesan Council

Lay: Mr. Jim Gettys

Ms. Carol Grish

The Rev. Al Votaw Clergy:

The Rev. David Williams

# Trustees - The Episcopal Church in South Carolina

The Rev. Donald McPhail Clergy:

# Deputation of The Episcopal Church in South Carolina to the 78<sup>th</sup> General Convention of The **Episcopal Church**

#### Deputies:

Mr. Thomas Tisdale Lay: Clergy: The Rev. Dr. Jim Taylor

> Mr. Lonnie Hamilton The Rev. Dr. Wilmot Merchant, II

The Rev. Rick Lindsey Mrs. Mary Ann Foy

The Rev. Cn. J. Michael Wright Mrs. Andrea McKellar

#### Alternates:

Dr. Charles Geer Clergy: The Rev. Wil Keith Lay:

> Mrs. Barbara Mann The Rev. Rick Luoni Ms. Melinda Lucka The Rev. Jean McGraw Dr. James Hutchisson The Rev. Jeff Richardson

# Appendix IV Resolutions Adopted

**RESOLUTION 1:** Stewardship of Undesignated Gift/Bequest

Offered by: The Standing Committee

**Resolved**, that when a parish receives a gift/bequest that is undesignated, the vestry shall consider tithing from that gift/bequest to The Episcopal Church in South Carolina to encourage and support the endowment fund of the diocese.

*Explanation:* In light of the need to support the diocese financially in preparing for the future, the Standing Committee is encouraging all Parishes and Missions in this effort. This resolution applies only to undesignated gifts and bequests that are received.

# Appendix V Courtesy Resolutions Adopted

Courtesy Resolutions for the 223<sup>rd</sup> Convention of the Episcopal Church in South Carolina, offered on February 22, 2014 by the Resolutions Committee, the Rev. Chris Huff, Chairman

Whereas St. Paul reminds us that we are all ministers of reconciliation and servants through patient endurance,

and

Whereas St. Peter quotes our prayer book and (—that was a joke) reminds us that there is one Lord, one faith, one baptism and that by virtue of those we all—laity and clergy alike-- are a "peculiar people" set apart and a royal priesthood of believers....

and

Whereas our own who stands in the Apostolic tradition and line, Bishop Charles vonRosenberg, reminded us this morning through his words and also has modeled for us by his life's witness that in unity and recognition of one anothers' human dignity,

We Are All Ministers....

and

Whereas we have been served and ministered unto by a goodly number of faithful servants and ministers.

#### Be it resolved:

that we, members of the 223rd annual convention of the Episcopal Church in South Carolina on this the 22nd of February, 2014 express our thanks and appreciation:

R-1: to the Rt. Rev. Michael Bruce Curry, bishop of the diocese of North Carolina, whose inspiring, energizing, encouraging and indeed entertaining sermon "rocked this house" for the Kingdom of God.

R-2: to Canon Marlene Weigert of Bp. Curry's staff who traveled here to be with us

to Mr. Rick Govan, Deputy for Ministry and Congregational Development, Diocese of SC and The rev. Taylor Dinsmore (assisting) for the Friday workshops, and for encouraging continuing and developing congregations in our diocese

to Mr. Paul Nix, Diocesan Partner for TEC in SC for being present as part of the General Church's Diocesan Partnership program

to the Rev. Lucia Lloyd and the rev. Kathleen Chipps, visiting clergy from Virginia who have been supportive of this diocese for some time.

R-3: to the Rev. Rick Lindsay, rector of All Saints Episcopal Church in Hilton Head and his clergy staff, Mark Brinkman and Matt Schneider and the deacons of All saints, and the All Saints musician, Steven Branyon and the choir, the acolytes, altar guild, flower guild and ushers for offering this place for our worship and our convening

to the All Saints administrator Marilyn Adams

to Ron Brun, sexton of All saints

to the convention coordinator, Mark Szen and his convention committee and their many servant ministers

to Convention Food Coordinator Pat Collett and her many servant ministers

to the servant ministers of the Southern Deanery who joined All saints in their convention efforts

R-4: to the Diocesan staff, Lauren Kinard, Holly Behre and Andrea McKellar for their dedicated and tireless efforts

**R-5**: to The Rt. Rev. Charles vonRosenberg, bishop of the Episcopal Church in SC, and his wife, Annie, who selflessly serve us and guide us and lead us

**R-6:** to the newly admitted missions: St. Anne's, Conway

St. Catherine's, Florence St. Francis, West Ashley Good Shepherd, Summerville The Episcopal Church on Edisto

For putting themselves out there in Jesus' name for mission and ministry to their region of the world.

**R-7:** to Holy cross faith Memorial Church in Pawley's Island for the gift given in support of this convention in honor of their new assistant rector, the Rev. Sandra Moyle

**R-8:** to all delegates, clergy and lay, who gave of their time to travel to this place in unity and love to be the church, and to be God's witness of the same community that exists in the trinity to His glory and honor.

# Appendix VII Report of the Treasurer

Over the past several months, The Episcopal Church in South Carolina has been blessed by the generosity of many people. Parishes, missions, worshiping communities and individuals have demonstrated their desire for the Diocese to prosper and grow, by giving of their time, talent and treasure. As St. Peter said, "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."(1 Peter 4:10) In 2014 as we all strive "To Love and Serve the Lord", the Diocese promises to be worthy managers of all assets given towards ministry. The budget presented to the Convention is a good faith effort to perform quality ministry with known assets and resources.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Taylor+

The Rev. James E. Taylor, Treasurer St. Thomas Episcopal Church North Charleston, SC

Finance Committee: Bart Carson, North Charleston Lynn Hopkins, Charleston Mike Jefferson, Charleston Barbara Mann, Charleston

# Appendix VIII Proposed 2013 Budget

	Budget
	2014
Receipts	
Parishes, Missions, WG. And Ind.	\$400,000
Interest Income	\$50
Total Receipts	\$400,050

The Episcopate	
Bishop's Compensation	\$52,500
Bishop's Mileage	\$6,000
Bishop's Office	\$1,500
Community Relationship Building	\$500
Discretionary Fund	\$1,000
Meetings and Conf. Fees	\$10,000
Lambeth Conference	\$2,500
Reserve For Bishop Search	\$5,000
Total Episcopate	\$79,000

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Archdeacon	
Archdeacon Compensation	\$42,000
Mileage	\$1,000
Total Archdeacon	\$43,000

\$42,840.00

Diocesan Support	
Administrator Salary	\$31,500
Lay Pension	\$2,835

SS & Medicare	\$2,520
Total Administrator	\$36,855

Diocesan Office Assistance	
Assistant Salary	\$6,240
SS & Medicare	\$499
Total For Assistant	\$6,739
Communications	
Communication Director	\$12,000
SS & Medicare	\$960
Total Communication	\$12,960

Administrative Expenses	
Annual Financial Review	\$2,000
Bank Charges	\$250
Books & Publications	\$500
Chancellor	\$500
Computer & Internet	\$1,500
Dues and Subscriptions	\$2,000
Equipment Usage	\$1,000
Insurance and Surety Bond	\$4,000
Meeting Expenses	\$1,500
New Equipment & Software	\$4,000
Office Supplies	\$2,500
Payroll Processing	\$1,560
Postage	\$2,000
Rent To Grace Episcopal	\$3,000
Telecommunications	\$2,000
Treasurer Support/Conf. Fees	\$500

Safeguarding God's Children	\$1,279
Workers Compensation	\$500
Total Admin. Expenses	\$30,589

Diocesan Education & Support	
Advertising	\$2,110
Background Checks	\$1,000
Clergy Conference	\$2,000
Clergy Spouse Gatherings	\$450
Continuing Worship Group Gaths.	\$1,550
Diocesan Convention	\$4,000
Historiographer	\$973
Vestry, Wardens & Treasurer's Mts.	\$250
Total For Edu. & Support	\$12,333

Support Personnel	
Conference and Education Fees	\$1,500
Total Personnel	\$1,500

Dept. of Diocesan Council	
Christian Education	\$250
Christian Social Relations	\$750
Church Extension	\$250
College Work	\$250
Commission on Ministry	\$1,000
Dept. of Missions	\$100,000
Evangelism	\$250
Inst. Ministries	\$177
Stewardship	\$306
Youth Ministries	\$250

Work Outside The Diocese	
The Episcopal Church(TEC)	\$53,210
Millennium Development Goals	\$2,800
Canterbury House	\$1,031
Children's Home (York Place)	\$2,100
Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy	\$2,000
Deputies to General Convention	\$5,000
Kanuga Support	\$1,650
Province IV Assessment	\$1,191
Seminarian Support	\$1,000
University of the South	\$2,000
Voorhees College	\$1,609
Total Work Outside the Diocese	\$73,591

Apportionment Requested By TEC

**Escrowed** 

Diocesan Revenue	\$400,050
Expenses	\$400,050
Difference	\$0

# Institutions of the Diocese





www.yorkplace.org www.thompsoncff.org

York Place has always offered a safe haven for children. From its early days as an orphanage, to the most recent years as a psychiatric residential treatment facility for some of the most vulnerable children in our state, we have consistently changed with the times to care for the very fragile among us.

I'd like to take this opportunity to share some of our happenings from 2013:

On June 3rd, York Place merged with Thompson Child & Family Focus, a Charlotte North Carolinabased human services agency. The agencies' shared Episcopal roots and like mission to serve as a beacon of hope and healing have expanded our services for children and families across two states, while maximizing resources and strengthening program infrastructure. York Place serves as the SC Regional headquarters and operates as a division of Thompson Child & Family Focus.

Mid-summer, York Place campus opened the pilot program of the Family Care Center, a comprehensive residential treatment program for women struggling with addiction issues. Mothers and their children live together in a safe, rehabilitative home-like environment.

By late fall, we had three Community Counseling Centers, offering outpatient therapy services for children, adults and families, operating in York, Gaffney and Fort Mill.

In South Carolina, referring agencies are moving away from residential placements, looking for partner organizations to provide community-based services at all levels of care. While we remain in on-going conversations at the state and local level, it is clear that programs on our York Place campus will look very different in the future. As we work to provide the highest quality of care for children and families, and evaluate how to best address the growing challenges of providing comprehensive behavioral health care services in South Carolina, your faithful partnership remains vital.



Spiritual Life Update Porter-Gaud School **Board of Trustees Spring 2014 Meeting** [PROVIDED ON FEBRUARY 7, 2014 TO RIGHT REVEREND MARK LAWRENCE AND RIGHT REVERAND CHARLES G. VONROSENBERG1

#### **BACKGROUND**

Porter-Gaud has a long history of living out its spiritual identity as an independent Episcopal school rooted in the rich heritage of Anglicanism. For much of its history, Porter-Gaud had one chaplain who taught all the religion classes, conducted chapel services, and provided pastoral care for the school community. As the School has grown and the needs for ministry have increased, the Board of Trustees has bolstered the chaplaincy so that there are now three full-time chaplains on campus: the Rev. Brian McGreevy serves as Head Chaplain, Mr. N. Hutson Dodds is Associate Chaplain for the Middle School, and the Rev. Dr. Jennie Olbrych is Associate Chaplain for the Lower School. The School has a Board Chair (Bob Scott '77), Head of School (DuBose Egleston '93), and Chaplain (Brian McGreevy '74) who are Porter-Gaud alumni and have long experience with the School's mission and values. Mr. Egleston also serves on the Governing Board of the National Association of Episcopal Schools. This organization serves over 250 member schools in the US. The Board held their most recent meeting in January in the Diocese of Haiti and visited some of the over 254 Episcopal Schools in that country.

#### WORSHIP AND DISCIPLESHIP

In addition to the traditional celebration of Holy Communion each Wednesday morning in St. Timothy's Chapel and special services offered on major Holy Days, there is weekly chapel on a divisional basis for the Lower, Middle, and Upper School students and faculty. The School also has a divisional Christmas Eucharist for the Middle and Upper School, as well as divisional services on Ash Wednesday and divisional Eucharist during Holy Week. The School's service of Lessons and Carols, held at the Church of the Holy Communion, is a tradition that dates back over 30 years and is a highlight of the Christmas season for the school community.

Voluntary lunchtime Bible studies offered for Middle and Upper School students continue to attract 70-100 students respectively each week. The Upper School Vestry, selected by a nomination and interview process, serve as spiritual and moral leaders on the campus; some 80 Upper School students serve on Vestry and participate in two retreats each year. In addition, 35 freshmen serve on the Chaplains' Advisory Council, a leadership group for 9th graders who work with the chaplains. Vestry members assist with chapel programs at all levels of the School and help the chaplains coordinate various service and fellowship opportunities.

#### **ACADEMICS**

Porter-Gaud offers a religion and character education curriculum in the Lower School that focuses on the major stories of the Bible in tandem with selected virtues each month. In Middle School there is a required course on the Old Testament, and in Upper School a required course on New Testament, along with an elective on C.S. Lewis. In Middle and Upper School, the character education thread is woven through Advisory, Chapel, and other programming for students that follows the virtues framework established in the Lower School.

#### **SERVICE**

Porter-Gaud has an active community service program through which students volunteer thousands of hours annually to assisting various agencies throughout the Lowcountry. Porter-Gaud has entered a strategic partnership with Water Missions International, and regularly offers mission trip opportunities, including one

during the summer of 2013 to work with Water Missions in Honduras.



REPORT TO THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SOUTH CAROLINA 2012-2013

**College of Arts & Sciences** 

Enrollment from The Episcopal Church in South Carolina: students total 51 (30 report Episcopal heritage), financial aid awarded to all college students from The Episcopal Church in South Carolina: \$697.165

#### The School of Theology

#### Seminary

Enrollment from The Episcopal Church in South Carolina: 1 student total (1 in the summer Advanced Degrees Program)

#### **Programs Center**

Education for Ministry (EfM) Parishes: 5

EfM Diocesan Coordinator: Dr. Walter Elliot Limehouse Jr., wlimehouse@comcast.net, 843.573.9136

**Support Received from The Episcopal Church in South Carolina and its churches**: \$3,008 (includes a \$2,000 gift received from the Diocese of South Carolina on 8/1/12)

#### **About Sewanee**

The University of the South is home to an outstanding liberal arts college, a School of Letters, and a seminary of The Episcopal Church. Located atop the Cumberland Plateau between Nashville and Chattanooga, Tenn., Sewanee's 13,000-acre campus, the second largest campus in the United States, provides vast opportunities for research, recreation, and reflection. Within the traditionally strong curriculum of humanities, sciences, and graduate theological studies, Sewanee faculty members promote intellectual growth, critical thinking, and hands-on research.

The University's Board of Trustees is composed of the bishops of the 28 owning dioceses, together with clerical and lay representatives elected by each diocese and representatives of other University constituencies. The Board of Regents, to which the Board of Trustees delegates some of its responsibilities for governance, is composed of Episcopal bishops, priests, and lay people, and may include a limited number of members of other Christian bodies. The chancellor of the University, elected by the Board of Trustees, is a bishop from one of the 28 owning dioceses.

#### **An Episcopal Center of Learning**

According to its mission statement, Sewanee "is an institution of The Episcopal Church dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge, understanding, and wisdom in close community and in full freedom of inquiry, and enlightened by Christian faith in the Anglican tradition, welcoming individuals from all backgrounds, to the end that students be prepared to search for truth, seek justice, preserve liberty under law, and serve God and humanity."

The University of the South, founded by church leaders from the southeastern United States in 1857, is the only university in the nation that is owned and governed by dioceses of The Episcopal Church, specifically the 28 dioceses that are successors to the original founding dioceses. The historic ownership and governance of the University by these Episcopal dioceses has produced a living synergy of leadership, resource, and mutual support, enriching the Church and advancing the university's role in American higher education.

# 2012–2013 Statistics for the University of the South

College of Arts and Sciences total students: 1,509 Class of 2016: 453 SAT combined: 1763–1988 ACT: 26–30 High School GPA: 3.6

Female: 52% Male: 48% Percentage of all college students declaring Episcopal heritage: 29.2%

College tuition and fees: \$34,442 College faculty: Full-Time: 127 Part-Time: 37

Student/faculty ratio: 10:1

School of Theology students: 151 (includes summer students)

School of Theology full-time tuition and fees: \$15,330

School of Theology faculty: Full-Time: 9 Part-Time: 8 Student/faculty ratio: 7:1

#### University Fiscal Year July 1, 2012–June 30, 2013 (unaudited)

Unrestricted operating revenue: \$66 million Endowment: \$350 million

#### 2012–2013 Highlights from the University of the South

- Details may be found at news.sewanee.edu and theology.sewanee.edu/news
- The Rt. Rev. Samuel Johnson Howard elected Chancellor
- The Rt. Rev. J. Neil Alexander installed dean of The School of Theology
- Four Sewanee seniors nominated for Watson Fellowships
- Four-year tuition guarantee continues for incoming class
- Marilynne Robinson delivers Convocation Address
- Faculty members receive awards from the Associated Colleges of the South
- The Sewanee Review names two Aiken Taylor Award recipients
- Sewanee students meet with Clinton and Farmer in Haiti
- Haskell's "The Forest Unseen" named a Pulitzer Prize finalist
- New York Times columnist David Brooks to give 2013 Baccalaureate Address
- Baccalaureate and Commencement events May 10-12
- The Course at Sewanee dedicated June 7; opens to the public June 9
- Sewanee receives hard-to-come-by Silver sustainability rating
- Gift to The School of Theology supports key strategic goal
- School of Theology announces two new M.A. concentrations
- School of Theology establishes student exchange program with Wescott House
- School of Theology's programs center announces new leadership
- EfM receives Luce Foundation Grant for Spanish language version



#### 2013 Report to the Episcopal Church in South Carolina

Serving the Episcopal Church since 1928, Kanuga is located six miles from Hendersonville, NC on 1,400 mountain acres with scenic Kanuga Lake at its center. Kanuga welcomes approximately 25,000 guests annually to its year-round conference center, two youth camps and outdoor education school. Kanuga is embracing the future and its boards and staff are exploring ways to speed accomplishment of long-range plans, completed in 2010. The long-range plan provides a clear roadmap for phased enhancements of Kanuga's campus, facilities, programs, funding basis and overall capacity for ministry from now until Kanuga's centennial in 2028.

Kanuga is currently undergoing a campus-wide conversion from propane to natural gas to provide efficient heat for buildings and a consistent supply of hot water. The project has already begun and will be completed by summer 2014, and incorporates all three campuses, including both camps, Historic Cottages, Guest Houses, program buildings, kitchens and staff housing. The Kanuga Lake Inn and 10 other buildings will continue to utilize solar-thermal heating for hot

water. Seventy locations will receive brand new, high-efficiency furnaces and ninety will receive "on-demand" water heaters, meaning fewer repairs needed and reliable heat and hot water across the campus.

This project aligns with Kanuga's long-range plan and goals of continued environmental stewardship, fiscal responsibility and an improved guest experience. Through extensive research and consultation with the Kanuga Board of Directors' Property Committee, Kanuga's Environmental Projects Manager, General Heating and PSNC Energy, natural gas was found to be the most appropriate solution to the massive job of heating water and indoor spaces across Kanuga's 1,400 acres campus.

Kanuga will save thousands annually on heating costs through purchasing natural gas rather than propane; an estimated \$7.5 million over the next 20 years. Dozens of large propane tanks around the campus will be removed (submarines with blue lids). A wireless energy management system will allow staff to remotely monitor and control the climate in the Historic Cottages and Guest Houses.

Kanuga has partnered with Sodexo, our food service provider, to finance the project in a way that allows Kanuga to avoid the initial investment in equipment and labor and utilizes the energy savings to repay the investment. The annual payments will actually be cheaper than what Kanuga currently pays for propane and repairs.

The Board of Directors decided the first major enhancement project to facilities would be the renovation of the Kanuga Lake Inn & Lodge. Architects' completed studies, recommendations, initial design concepts, cost projections and time lines have been reviewed, accepted and approved. Staff continued work with the Advancement and Property Committees of the Board to map out analyses and decisions needed in 2014 to keep planning on track for the capital campaign and renovation.

Historic Cottage preservation is an ongoing project and its guidelines are to improve consistency as we renovate, use longer-term solutions, preserve historical elements and feel, and meet the needs of more constituents. Generous support in 2013 enabled a total remodel of Cottage 27, with over 10 other cottages receiving improvements to roofs, floors, steps and paint.

Kanuga continues to be a change agent for the environment, providing leadership in environmental stewardship among institutional peers through consultations with sister nonprofits regarding programs in environmental stewardship education. Mountain Trail Outdoor School is a residential environmental and outdoor education program that works with public and private schools, churches, non-profits, and businesses to complement their curriculum or goals with environmental science, community building and adventure activities. Staff worked with the Carolina Mountain Land Conservancy, US Fish and Wildlife, NC Natural Heritage Program, and various other state and federal agencies to remove invasive species from the bog and other management efforts to protect the bog and its endangered inhabitants.

The Bob Campbell Youth Campus completed an expansion of the nature center in memory of Ethel McCreary, a long- time and beloved desk clerk, and two staff completed a certification course in wildlife rehabilitation to further serve the needs of our current and future nature center inhabitants. Camp Kanuga and the Kanuga Trailblazers welcomed and embraced 575 campers during the summer of 2013. With the support of grants and increased scholarship funds, these programs hope to increase the number of children served and ministered to in 2014. Kanuga's youth programs department continues to serve both Episcopal youth groups and other youth

organizations through hosting retreats at both of Kanuga's youth campuses throughout the year.

Partnering once again with the National Military Family Association, based in Arlington, VA, Kanuga's outreach camp, Camp Bob, hosted a session of Operation Purple Camp in July. The session provided to 100 children a comprehensive camping experience staffed by Camp Bob counselors and offered at no cost to children with parents serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. A new partner, ASMBA Star, supported a second week of camp for 22 military children.

In 2013, Kanuga was the site chosen by many Episcopal groups from the national, provincial, diocesan and parish levels, confirming the important role it plays in the many ministries of the Church. Nationally we hosted the spring meeting of the House of Bishops, Episcopal Camps and Conference Centers, Federal Chaplains for both TEC & ELCA, and the General Board of Examining Chaplains. From Province IV were the Altar Guild, Daughters of the King, HIV/AIDS Ministry and Women's Conferences. On the diocesan level we hosted clergy retreats, executive councils, standing committees, youth retreats and the Convention of the Diocese of Western North Carolina. At the parish level there were over 35 parish retreats, 25 vestries, several choirs and retreats for men, women and youth.

Kanuga welcomes all types of organizations for events such as training, education, retreats, workshops, conferences, and more. With its quiet setting and accessible location, Kanuga offers a unique venue with a variety of spaces and services to accommodate many group's needs. Over 50 organizations such as the Diocese of Charleston (RC) Priests Retreat, the Haden Institute, Medicine & Ministry Conference and the SC/NC Planned Giving Conference enable Kanuga to succeed as a viable business and further its own programming and mission.

In 2013 Kanuga had a terrific lineup of its own conferences. Subjects sounded comfortably familiar but the speakers and formats were fresh and innovative. For example, the Christian Formation Conference, the largest event of its kind in the Church, heard from educators Shane Claiborne and the Rev. Matthew Moretz. The Rev. Becca Stevens, founder of Madalene and Thistle Farms, brought inspiration to the Lansing Lee Conference with stories of survival, healing and faith. Dr. Joe Howell and Dr. Raymond Moody led the Enneagram Conference themed Becoming

Conscious. Kanuga's youth conferences served over 210 participants over the year at the summer Youth Week conferences and Winterlight.

As the calendar year nears its close, all of us at Kanuga continue to be grateful to friends, supporters, conference and Guest Period participants, campers and partners in ministry from the Episcopal Church in South Carolina.

Faithfully,

James L. Haden

Vice President of Hospitality & Sales



More than just a great place to live, Still Hopes is a place to thrive...

Looking back over the past year I realize that never before in the history of Still Hopes has our ministry been closer to truly fulfilling Dr. Jane Bruce Guignard's vision of a place that nurtures mind, body and soul.

I say this because in 2013 Still Hopes offered more ways for seniors to not only stay active, but also be actively involved in our community. Still Hopes has partnered with the University of South Carolina and Midlands Technical College in providing experience and internships both in clinical care observance and Wellness Center activities. We also partner with Palmetto Health in conducting studies of new and upcoming electronic devices which will be a part of future care for seniors in their homes by detecting falls and other issues as soon as they happen. Here our residents enjoy a state of the art Wellness Center which offers a wide variety of programs including water aerobics, strength training and Triathlon team training to name a few. Many programs offered off the main campus of Still Hopes allow residents to attend theatre and musical productions.

These and other initiatives have put our continuing care residential community at the forefront of high quality care for seniors. Still Hopes has become a resource for Episcopal churches within the Diocese and for other communities striving to help our aging population achieve wellness through better design and an all-inclusive approach. Still Hopes has also recently begun offering a boutique Medicare Rehabilitation Suite for short-term "get well go home" stays.

Construction has recently begun at Still Hopes for our Main Street project. This new venue will provide many new open spaces where social gatherings can happen daily. An active capital fund campaign is underway that will make this new vibrant place a reality. Gifts of any size are welcome in this \$6,000,000 effort. Because of our Service Excellence Initiative, the bar has been set even higher for our staff to meet and exceed expectations in providing exceptional care at Still Hopes. Families can be at peace knowing their loved ones are in the very best place, receiving the very best care as well as opportunities to stay active and to thrive.

We live here. We live in faith. And we live well. Thank you for being part of our journey. We will continue, as always, to covet your prayers and your support for this ministry.





Voorhees College is experiencing unprecedented expansion, growth and stability. We have an incredible administration, faculty, and staff. Our students are some of the best in America.

While we continue to have challenges, we have done remarkable in implementing structural and cultural changes that make our challenges

relative. In the area of fundraising, recruitment/admission, retention, assessment/learning outcomes and graduate rates, we have established new priorities and dedicated our meager unrestricted dollars to those priorities.

As we begin to initiate Voorhees College's New Strategic Plan, New Title III Five Year Program Plans and the New Vision for Voorhees College 2013 -2018, there is some excitement as we look deeper into the future and see the College assuming the role of a more productive educational enterprise.

#### **Voorhees College Vision**

#### I. Build a Premier Liberal Arts College.

- I. Promote Academic Excellence, 'An Institution where education pursuits, institutional and intellectual discourse takes place.'
  - **A.** New majors: Environmental Science, Emergency Management, African American Studies, Psychology
  - **B.** Improve student writing proficiency with the implementation of the Qualify Enhancement Plan (QEP) and writing center.
  - **C.** Expand Honors College
  - **D.** Increase support of excellence in research, scholarship and creativity.
  - E. Improve quality and effectiveness of educational programs through academic reviews.
  - **F.** Sustain faculty excellence by increasing percentage of faculty with terminal degrees.
  - **G.** Strengthen Academic Curriculum; re-focus attention and resources in the Humanities and STEM Science.
  - **H.** Strengthen academic related programs in Health, Recreation and Sports Management.

#### II. Manage Financial, Physical, and Information Resources Efficiently and Effectively

- **A.** Implement sound strategies to manage financial resources of the college.
- **B.** Implement Debt Reduction Plan to reduce overall expenditures of the college of the college.
- **C.** Identify new and cutting edge technology to support academic and administrative computing and include cyber security planning and implementation.
- **D.** Restructure IT infrastructure to reduce operating and maintenance cost.
- **E.** Identify new cost reduction RFPs for contractual services; food services, auditing, attorney, security and other auxiliary services
- **F.** Manage a system for inventory management and fixed assets.

#### III. Establish a Healthy and Student Centered Campus Environment

- A. Increase student activities: create service learning programs/activities; Activate intramural programs; Expand student leadership programs/activities; hcrease student engagement activities/programs.
- B. Develop county-wide collaborations and partnerships to create a healthier campus.
- C. Studentcentered healthy campus initiative; to bacco-free campus, healthy life style models and partnership for prevention.
- D. Provide greater access to health care services for students, faculty and staff.

#### **IV.** Increase Capacity

- **A.** Increase enrollment up to 1,000.
- **B.** Increase freshmen to sophomore persistence to 85%
- **C.** Improve overall 5 year retention rate (60%) and Graduation rate (48%)
- D. Expand academic support services via the Academic Success Centers, Writing

Center, Freshman Year, Student Support Services, the African American Mentoring Program and General Studies.

#### V. Capital Campaign - \$20 million

- **A.** Facilities: Science Building, Student Fitness and Wellness Center, Fine Arts Center, new smart classrooms, student housing, enlarge track, annex to St. Philip Chapel.
- **B.** Endowment (Restricted and Non-Restricted)
- **C.** Faculty Development (Publishing and Research)
- **D.** Institutional Scholarships (Double numbers of Dean and Presidential)

Canterbury House: No report received

Other Reports

Episcopal Relief and Development

Report of Non-Parochial Clergy and Retired Clergy