



THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SOUTH CAROLINA

232nd Annual Diocesan Convention November 18-19, 2022

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina will be hosted by the West Charleston Deanery at the North Charleston Marriott on November 18-19, 2022.

We are delighted to have the Reverend Canon Stephanie Spellers with us for Convention this year. Canon Spellers serves as Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's Canon for Evangelism and Reconciliation. The author of *The Church Cracked Open* and *The Episcopal Way* (with Eric Law), she has directed mission and evangelism work at General Theological Seminary and in the Diocese of Long Island. A native of Kentucky and a graduate of both Episcopal Divinity School and Harvard Divinity School, she lives in Harlem, New York.

Diocesan Convention this year presents opportunities to do the necessary yearly work for our diocese and to celebrate congregations returning to The Episcopal Church. As part of our continued efforts in racial justice, we will mark the Presiding Bishop's presence at pre-opening events for the International African-American Museum earlier that week and we will welcome global Anglican Communion partners as our special guests at Convention.

Three Deanery Meetings will be held prior to Convention. These meetings will include all clergy, delegates and alternates for the Convention, as well as other interested leaders. Attendance at these meetings is important, as they are an opportunity for discussion of proposed resolutions, and the 2023 program and budget, and an introduction of nominees for diocesan offices.

This year, all pre-convention deanery meetings will be held online. You are welcome to attend the one that is most convenient for you.

Thursday, October 13 at 6 pm

Tuesday, October 18 at 6 pm

Schedule of Convention

Friday, November 18

- 11:00 am Registration opens at the North Charleston Marriott
- 12:00 pm Welcome Lunch
- 1:30 pm Call to Order followed by Plenary Session
- 4:30 pm Buses to Grace Church Cathedral
- 5:30 pm Opening Eucharist at Grace Church Cathedral
- 7:00 pm Reception (heavy hors d'oeuvres) at Grace Church Cathedral
- 7:30 - 9:00 pm Buses back to the North Charleston Marriott

Saturday, November 19

- 8:00 am Continental breakfast and registration for late arrivals
- 9:00 am Morning Prayer led by Youth
- 9:30 am Call to Order followed by business session at North Charleston Marriott
- 12:00 pm Lunch

Elections at Convention

The Convention will hold elections for the following positions:

- Standing Committee: 2 lay members and 2 clergy members, 3-year terms
- Diocesan Council: 2 lay members and 2 clergy members, 3-year terms;
- Deputies to General Convention: 4 lay deputies, 4 clergy deputies, 4 lay alternates, and 4 clergy deputies, 2 year terms;
- Diocesan Trustee: 1 clergy member, 6 year term; 1 lay member, 6 year term; 1 lay member, 2 year term
- University of the South Board of Trustees: 1 lay member, 3-year term

All nominations must have the approval of the person being nominated, and be received by the Secretary of Convention by **Wednesday, September 21, 2022**, in order to be included in pre-convention materials. Nominators must be members of the Convention (lay delegates or members of the clergy). A Notice of Election and Nomination Form are available online on our Annual Diocesan Convention 2022 page.

Resolutions

Members of the Diocese are invited to submit resolutions for consideration at the Convention. Please follow the format and guidelines described in the Notice of Submittal of Resolutions. All resolutions are to be received by the Secretary of Convention no later than **Wednesday, September 21, 2022**, in order to be included in pre-convention materials.

Resolutions affecting the Constitution and Canons are to be submitted to the Committee on Constitutions and Canons, and received by **September 21, 2022**. All may be submitted to convention@episcopalchurchsc.org.

Registration Procedures

Each Parish and Mission is asked to register online, and register all their lay and clergy delegates and alternates at the same time. Clergy who are not directly affiliated with a delegation and visitors may register individually. The Online Registration Link can be found at www.episcopalchurchsc.org.

Registration cost is \$100 per person. This includes the Friday lunch and reception and Saturday lunch. For those visitors who can only attend one day, the cost will be \$50 for Friday or \$50 for Saturday. Payment may be made online or sent to the Diocesan Office by mail. There is no fee for those attending the Friday night Eucharist only. Late registrations after the deadline will be an additional \$15 per person.

Registration for delegates must be received no later than October 7 and for all visitors by November 4.

All canonically-resident clergy serving in a parish are expected to attend the annual diocesan convention. If an unforeseen urgent parish or family event prevents you from attending, please write a letter to Bishop Ruth Woodliff-Stanley and send it to Cecilia Eaton at ceaton@episcopalchurchsc.org.

Hotel Accommodations and Guest Lodging

Clergy and delegates are responsible for making their own arrangements for lodging, if needed.

Rooms have been reserved for the Convention on November 17-19 at the North Charleston Marriott. To secure special Convention rates, book online by 5 pm on October 24. The reserved rooms will be released after that time and the rates may not be honored. If you need financial assistance, please contact the Diocesan Office.

Rooms can be booked online through our [Diocesan Convention reservation link](#).

We look forward to seeing you at Convention in November.

Peace in Christ,



The Right Reverend Ruth Woodliff-Stanley
Bishop



Diane Wilson
Secretary of Convention