

Resolution for Presentation and Adoption at the November, 2022 Annual Convention

Recognition and Restoration of Returning Episcopal Parishes

Whereas, the following parishes:

Christ Episcopal Church, Mount Pleasant
Saint Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Hartsville
Saint David's Episcopal Church, Cheraw
Saint James' Episcopal Church, James Island
Saint John's Episcopal Church, Johns Island

were Episcopal parishes in union with the Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina prior to 2012, pursuant to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese; and

Whereas, in 2012 disassociated clergy attempted to lead these parishes out of The Episcopal Church; and,

Whereas, from 2012 through April 20, 2022, loyal Episcopalians in these parishes, through no fault of their own, were unable to have the parishes to comply with the provision of Canon 4; and,

Whereas, the faithful Episcopalians in the above parishes, desire to have their respective parishes be recognized as being "in union with the Annual convention" and in "good standing" with the Convention;

Now therefore be it resolved that this 232nd Annual Diocesan Convention of The Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina does hereby waive any current canonical provision that would prevent or delay the recognition of these parishes as being restored to union with Convention.

Be it further resolved that this 232nd Annual Diocesan Convention of The Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina does hereby recognize that the above named Episcopal parishes are in full union with this Convention and are accorded the full privileges of membership in the Convention, pursuant to Article VIII of the Diocesan Constitution.