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President: The Rt. Rev. John Crawford Bauerschmidt
Secretary: The Rev. C. Randall Dunnavant
Asst. Secretary: The Rev. Canon Pamela P. Snare
Asst. Secretary: The Rev. Canon Fred Dettwiller
Chancellor: Gareth S. Aden
Vice-Chancellor: James Ramsey
Vice-Chancellor: Jane B. Stranch
Chancellor Emeritus: David B. Herbert
Registrar: Greg Poole
Parliamentarian: David B. Herbert

Ex Officio Members of Convention

(Canon I, Section 6; entitled to seat and voice, but not vote, unless otherwise qualified to vote.)

The Secretary of the Diocese
The Treasurer of the Diocese
The Chancellor of the Diocese
The Vice-Chancellor(s) of the Diocese
The Registrar of the Diocese
Lay Members of the Bishop and Council
Lay Members of the Standing Committee
The President of the Episcopal Endowment Corporation
The Vice-Chancellor of the University of the South
The Dean of the School of Theology, University of the South
The Chaplain of the University of the South
The Headmaster of St. Andrew’s-Sewanee School
The Chancellor Emeritus
Committees of the 178th Diocesan Convention

Committee on Credentials
The Rev. James Rogers, Chair (Church of the Messiah Pulaski)
Frank Edwards (Church of Our Saviour Gallatin)
The Rev. Michael Spurlock (All Saints’ Church Smyrna)
John Fitzgerald (St. George’s Church Nashville)

Committee on Elections
Jane Stranch, Chair (St. Bartholomew’s Church Nashville)
Mary Clyde Sparks, Vice-Chair (Church of the Advent Nashville)
The Rev. William Barton (STEM)
The Rev. Michael Hurst (Church of the Advent Nashville)
Jim Parrott (Christ Church Tracy City)
Adam Waltenbaugh (St. Joseph of Arimathea Hendersonville)
Jo Goldasich (St. Mary Magdalene Fayetteville)

Committee on General Resolutions
The Rev. Tom Hotchkiss, Co-Chair (Church of the Advent Nashville)
The Rev. Vicki Burgess, Co-Chair (St. Philip’s Church Nashville)
The Rev. Gene Manning (Christ Church Cathedral Nashville)
David Rowe (St. Paul’s Church Murfreesboro)
John Bledsoe (St. Ann’s Church Nashville)
Crawford Parrish Sr. (St. Barnabas’ Church Tullahoma)
Calvin Lewis (St. George’s Church Nashville)

Committee on the Budget
W. A. (Pete) Stringer, Chair (Christ Church Cathedral Nashville)
Don Shriver (St. George’s Church Nashville)
Scott Kammerer (St. Bartholomew’s Church Nashville)
Edwina Hefner (Holy Trinity Church Nashville)
The Rev. Marcia King (St. George’s Church Nashville)
Burns Rogers (St. Paul’s Church Franklin)
The Rev. Polk Van Zandt (St. Paul’s Church Murfreesboro)
Rick Wilt (St. Michael’s Church Cookeville)
Committee on Memorials, Greetings, and Resolutions of Appreciation
The Rev. Joseph Howard, Chair (St. Joseph of Arimathea Hendersonville)
Catherine Clark (Christ Church Cathedral Nashville)
The Rev. Joseph Weatherly (St. Michael’s Church Cookeville)
Cathy Kennedy (Church of the Good Shepherd Brentwood)
Tammy Hawks (Church of Our Saviour Gallatin)
Bob Thompson (St. Peter’s Church Columbia)

Committee on the Time and Place of the 179th Annual Convention
The Rev. Reynold (Mickey) Richaud (Trinity Church, Clarksville)
The Rev. Joseph Davis (Church of the Resurrection, Franklin)
Hal Johnson (Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville)
## Membership of Convocations

### Northwestern Convocation

- St. George’s Church Nashville
- St. David’s Church Nashville
- St. Augustine’s Chapel Nashville
- St. Anselm’s Church Nashville
- St. Luke’s Church Springfield
- Trinity Church Clarksville
- Grace Chapel Rossview
- St. James’ Church Dickson
- St. Michael’s Church Cookeville
- St. Andrew’s Church New Johnsonville
- Calvary Church Cumberland Furnace
- St. John the Evangelist Clarksville

### Northeastern Convocation

- Christ Church Cathedral Nashville
- St. Ann’s Church Nashville
- St. James’ Church Madison
- St. Philip’s Church Nashville
- Holy Trinity Church Nashville
- Church of the Epiphany Lebanon
- St. Michael’s Church Cookeville
- St. Joseph’s Hendersonville
- Church Our Saviour Gallatin
- St. Francis’ Church Goodlettsville

### Southwestern Convocation

- St. Bartholomew’s Church Nashville
- Church of the Resurrection Franklin
- St. Paul’s Church Franklin
- Grace Church Spring Hill
- St. Peter’s Church Columbia
- St. Andrew’s Church Nashville
- St. Mark’s Church Nashville
- Church of the Messiah Pulaski
- Church of the Good Shepherd Brentwood
- Church of the Holy Spirit Nashville

### Southeastern Convocation

- Church of the Advent Nashville
- St. Paul’s Church Murfreesboro
- Church of the Redeemer Shelbyville
- St. Bede’s Church Manchester
- St. Barnabas’ Church Tullahoma
- Christ Church Tracy City
- Church of the Holy Comforter Monteagle
- St. James’ Church Sewanee
- St. Mary Magdalene Church Fayetteville
- Trinity Church Winchester
- Otey Memorial Parish Sewanee
- St. Agnes’ Church Cowan
- Church of the Epiphany Church Sherwood
- Christ Church Alto
- All Saints’ Church Smyrna
- Church of the Holy Cross Murfreesboro
- St. Matthew’s McMinnville
- St. Bernard’s Church Gruetli-Laager
The Clergy of the Diocese of Tennessee
(in order of canonical residence)

The Bishop of Tennessee
John Crawford Bauerschmidt
Consecrated: January 27, 2007

The Rt. Rev. Bertram Nelson Herlong, D.D.
The 10th Bishop of Tennessee (ret.)
Consecrated: June 26, 1993

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**Deacons Received**

- Albert J. Magee, Jr. (ret) 8/21/65 Nashville, Tennessee
- Bard Quillman(ret) 8/22/86 Nashville, Tennessee
- Dolores Nicholson 10/28/89 Christ Church Cathedral Nashville
- Charles A. Burdeshaw 10/28/89 St. Ann’s Church Nashville

**Ordained to the Diaconate: 2009**

- William Henderson Barton (6/6/09)
- William David Dennler (6/6/09)
- Michael Walker Hurst (6/6/09)

**Ordained to the Priesthood: 2009**

- Peter Michael Floyd (1/16/09)
- William Henderson Barton (12/5/09)
- William David Dennler (12/6/09)

**Letters Dimissory Accepted: 2009**

- Richard Joseph Zalesak (3/5/09)
Thomas Rand Morris (3/12/09)
Colin Moore Ambrose (5/29/09)
Robert Van Dyke (9/6/09)
Timothy Edward Kimbrough (12/9/09)

Letters Dimissory Sent: 2009
Joseph Marek (4/2/09)
Dennis Calvin Lloyd (8/11/09)
Mary Hartwell Brown (9/22/09)
Patrick Ross Soule (11/8/09)

Clergy Deaths: 2009
John Maurice Gessell (6/30/09)
Marion Josiah Hatchett, LTO (8/7/09)

Licensed to Officiate: 2009
John Garang Awan, Diocese of Bor, Sudan
Jeffrey P. Bishop, Diocese of Dallas
Laura Berger Brecht, Diocese of Maryland
William Brosend, Diocese of Kentucky
Thomas Bu Christ, Diocese of Hpa-an, Province of Myanmar
Mary Craig Caruthers, Diocese of Arkansas
Herbert H. Catlin, Diocese of Northeast Michigan
Julia M. Gatta, Diocese of Connecticut
Lyonel Gilmer, Diocese of North Carolina
James H. Hall, Diocese of Southern Virginia
Robert D. Hughes, III, Diocese of Southern Ohio
Thomas M. Hutson, Diocese of East Tennessee
Charles Scott James, Diocese of Central Gulf Coast
Hugh Jones, Diocese of East Tennessee
David A. Kearley, Diocese of Alabama
Benjamin King, Diocese of Massachusetts
Leyla Kamalick King, Diocese of Western New York
Jerrilee Lewallen, Diocese of Alabama
Albino Gur Maror, Diocese of Bor, Sudan
Ellis Mayfield, Diocese of East Tennessee
John Melcher, Diocese of Michigan
Susanna E. Metz, Diocese of East Tennessee
Roderic Murray III, Diocese of Alabama
Annwn H. Myers, Diocese of Mississippi
Jerome Nettleton, Diocese of Easton, Maryland
Alice S. Nichols, Diocese of Kentucky
James C. Pace, Diocese of Atlanta
Charles Palmgren, Diocese of Atlanta
James Pappas, Diocese of Atlanta
Felicity Lenton Clark Peck, Diocese of East Tennessee
Joe T. Porter, Diocese of West Tennessee
Jess Reeves, Diocese of Southeast Florida
Ramona Rose-Crossley, Diocese of Vermont
Remington Rose-Crossley, Diocese of Vermont
William Sanders, Diocese of East Tennessee
Roger Senechal, Diocese of Western Massachusetts
Molly Dale Smith, Diocese of New Jersey
William S. Stafford, Diocese of Virginia
James F. Turrell, Diocese of Bethlehem
Robert Van Dyke, Diocese of Alabama
Francis Xavier Walter, Diocese of Alabama
Angelo Wildgoose, Diocese of Bermuda
David Wilson, Diocese of Central Florida

**Seminarians: 2009**

Jason Ingalls (Wycliffe College, Toronto, 2010)
Anna Russell Kelley (School of Theology, Sewanee, 2010)
Danielle Thompson (School of Theology, Sewanee, 2010)
Stanford Adams, School of Theology, Sewanee, 2012)
Monica Carlson (School of Theology, Sewanee, 2012)
Suzanne Cate (School of Theology, Sewanee, 2012)
**Secretary’s Certified List**
Delegates Registered for the 178th Annual Convention

*These delegates were officially registered as of January 22, 2010. This is the Secretary’s Certified List of Delegates pursuant to Canon I. Names are spelled as they appear on the registration forms.*

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The Rev. David Yancey  Menzo Faassen  Mary Beaumont-Jenkins

Fayetteville, St. Mary Magdalene Church
The Rev. Randy Hoover-Dempsey  Barbara Crawford  Donnie Turpin
   David Brown  Jeannie Brown
   Mark Rutledge

Franklin, Church of the Resurrection
The Rev. Joseph Davis  Thomas Barksdale  Jackie Lane
   Randy Williams  Malli Richmond
   Abbie Hudgens  Al Robinson

Franklin, St. Paul’s Church
The Rev. Robert W. Cowperthwaite  Burns Rogers
The Rev. Ann Van Dervoort  Susan Cowperthwaite
The Rev. Monna Mayhall  Kathy Ulezelski  Paul Deepan

Gallatin, Church of Our Saviour
The Rev. John Bender  Tammy Hawks  Lynda Bender
   Mary Howard  Janet Smith
   Frank Edwards

Gruetli-Laager, St. Bernard’s Church
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Hendersonville, St. Joseph of Arimathea
The Rev. Joseph (Jody) Howard  George Fossey
   Jane Garrett  Adam Waltenbaugh

Lebanon, Church of the Epiphany
The Rev. Anne Fraley Ken Fraley  Kathy Vogel
   Doug Heaslip  Lynn Danielson

Madison, Church of St. James the Less
The Rev. Robin Courtney Jr.  James Cate  Mary Elizabeth Womack
   Pat Punard  Sue Hays
   Leon McAulay  

Manchester, St. Bede’s Church
The Rev. Jim Tubbs  Herman Martin  Kimberley King
   Jane Martin  Edley Ramsey
   John Dotson  

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McMinnville, St. Matthew’s Church
The Rev. Clark Baker  Mark Downs

Monteagle, Church of the Holy Comforter
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Murfreesboro, Church of the Holy Cross
The Rev. William A. Dalglish  Jared Scott  James Burke
Vickie Calby  Elaine Winters

Murfreesboro, St. Paul’s Church
The Rev. Polk Van Zandt  David Rowe  Collier Smith
The Rev. Colin Ambrose  Dan Felciano  Betty Davis
Ron Messler  Kristi Hay

Nashville, Christ Church Cathedral
The Rt. Rev. Timothy Kimbrough  Catherine Clark  Marie Yeagle
The Rev. Canon Anne B. Stevenson  Charlie Cook  John Teasley
The Rev. Canon Geoffrey Butcher  Hal Johnson  Sandra Merritt
The Rev. Gene B. Manning  Ed Burgess  Ken Penegar
The Rev. Dolores Nicholson  Steve Lasley  John Whitaker
The Rev. Ed Coleman

Nashville, Church of the Advent
The Rev. Tom Hotchkiss  Gregg Conroy  Anne Williams
The Rev. Michael Hurst  Mary Clyde Sparks  Frank Field
Bill Hurst  Dale Watney

Nashville, Church of the Holy Spirit
The Rev. Moon Lee  David Moon  Jay Johnstone
Chi Koo Woo  Jung Kul Kook
Han Doo Kook  Ja Hong Min

Nashville, Holy Trinity Church
The Rev. Bill Dennler  Edwina Hefner  Melissa Wren
Kathryn Ann Hinton  Cathy Link

Nashville, St. Andrew’s Church
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Nashville, St. Ann’s Church  
The Rev. Rick C. Britton  
The Rev. Charles Burdeshaw  
John Bledsoe  
Tom Hardin  
Rosemary Burdeshaw  
Julia Thompson  
Carol Mannchen  
Gary Fitzhugh

Nashville, St. Anselm’s Church  
Pamela Jordan  
Harold Bernard  
Pamela Jordan  
Randolph Rasch  
Linda Pegues-Brinkley

Nashville, St. Augustine’s Chapel *  
The Rev. Becca Stevens  
Brian Heuser  
Susan Sluser  
Don Mabry

Nashville, St. Bartholomew’s Church  
The Rev. Jerry Smith  
The Rev. Dixon Kinser  
Scott Kammerer  
Ann Denson  
Jane Stranch  
Dorman Burch  
Langley Granbery  
Marshall Weems  
Vanessa Hardy  
Chris Somerville

Nashville, St. David’s Church  
The Rev. Eric S. Greenwood Jr.  
William D. Gish  
Judith M. Grace  
Joe B. Brown  
Susan A. Huggins  
Elizabeth P. Lentz  
Annette S. Pilcher

Nashville, St. George’s Church  
The Rev. R. Leigh Spruill  
The Rev. Timothy Jones  
The Rev. Marcia King  
The Rev. Timus G. Taylor  
Bryan Essary  
John Fitzgerald  
Calvin Lewis  
Don A. Shriver  
Amy Norton  
Bob Kinard  
Carolyn Sorenson  
Karlen Garrard  
Claudia Padfield  
Rowanne McKnight

Nashville, St. Philip’s Church  
The Rev. Vicki T. Burgess  
The Rev. Al Magee  
Susan Skinner  
John Jones  
Peggy Cox  
Desaree Welch  
Matthew McCrickard

New Johnsonville, St. Andrew’s Church  
Sherry B. Hughey  
Cassandra R. Cooper

Pulaski, Church of the Messiah  
The Rev. James Rogers  
Andrew Hoover  
Grace Meier  
John Hughes  
Marquenda Dunnavant

Rossview, Grace Chapel  
Ann Ross  
Mike Moorefield
Sewanee, Otey Memorial Parish
The Rev. Joe Ballard  Betty Carpenter  Roy Millar
Ann Millar
Noel Workman

Sewanee, St. James’ Church
The Rev. Dr. Linda A. Hutton  Jan Nunley  Elizabeth Masters
Geri Childress  Karen Vaughn

Shelbyville, Church of the Redeemer
The Rev. Peter J. Whalen  Rick Francis  Barbara Whalen
Garrett Gordon
Jamie Williams

Sherwood, Church of the Epiphany
Kathy Pack  Bryan Wells
Celia Walker  Kenny Summers

Smyrna, All Saints’ Church
The Rev. Michael Spurlock  Michael Williams

Spring Hill, Grace Church
The Rev. William (Doc) Martin  Irene Zonger  Lynn Rieger
Andy Finley  Alicia Fitts

Springfield, St. Luke’s Church
The Rev. Stuart Phillips  Bob James  Dale Barner
Linda McIntyre  Elizabeth James

Tracy City, Christ Church
Charles Brown  Richard Gipson
James C. Parrott

Tullahoma, St. Barnabas’ Church
The Rev. Michael J. Murphy  Rick Crutcher  Anne Hightower
Georgia Mahan  Dot Duncan
Crawford Parrish, Sr.

Winchester, Trinity Church
Tom Lewallen  Sylvia James
Non-Parochial Canonically Resident Clergy (Voting)

The Rev. W. Robert Abstein
The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt
The Rev. Lane Denson
The Rev. Canon Fred Dettwiller
The Rev. Peter M. Floyd
The Rt. Rev. Bertram Herlong
The Rev. William Hethcock
The Rev. Richard Kew
The Rev. Rodney M. Kochtitzky
The Rev. Catharine Regen
The Rev. Canon Pamela Snare
The Rev. John T. Thomas
The Rev. Robert (Bude) Van Dyke
The Rev. Ann B. Walling
The Rev. Morris (Mark) Wilson
The Rev. Thomas Wilson
The Rev. Gene Wise

Non-Canonically Resident Clergy (Non-Voting)**

The Rev. Benjamin Anthony
The Rev. Jeffrey P. Bishop
The Rev. Thomas Bu Christ
The Rev. Lyonel Gilmer
The Rev. James Hall
The Rev. Thomas Hutson
The Rev. Roderic Murray, III
The Rev. Jim Pappas
The Rev. Joe T. Porter
The Rt. Rev. William E. Sanders
The Rev. Roger Senechal
The Rev. Molly Dale Smith
The Rev. Angelo Wildgoose

Seminarian (Non-Voting)

Stanford Adams
Monica Carlson
Suzanne Cate
Anna Russell Kelly
Danielle Thompson

* Lay delegates have a voice but not a vote
** Non-canonically resident clergy have no voice, no vote; may attend as guests
The 178th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee
St. George’s Church
Nashville Tennessee
January 22-23, 2010

Friday, January 22
8:30 am - 10:00 am  Bishop and Council Meeting (Conference Room, 2nd floor)
9:00 am - 3:00 pm  Registration (Johnson Hall)
10:00 am - 11:00 am  Budget Hearings (Church)
11:00 am - 12:00 pm  General Resolutions Hearings (Church)
12:00 pm  Box Lunches for Delegates (Hampton Hall)
1:00 pm  The Holy Eucharist (Church)
2:15 pm  Organization of the Convention (Church)
         Bishop’s Address (Church)
         Open Forum for Candidates (Church)
3:45 pm  BREAK
         General Elections: First Ballot (Church)
         Elections upon nomination by the Bishop (Church)
         Presentation of the 2010 Diocesan Budget
4:30 pm  Guest Speaker: The Right Reverend Greg Kerr-Wilson (Church)
5:00 pm  RECESS
5:00 pm - 7:30 pm  Convention Fellowship Reception (Hampton Hall)

Saturday, January 23
8:00 am  Registration continues (Johnson Hall)
8:00 am  Rehearsal for the Holy Eucharist (Church)
9:00 am  Report of the Elections Committee: Second Ballot (Church)
         Special Order: Companion Diocese Committee (Church)
         Greetings from Bishop Morante (Church)
         Reports to the Convention (Church)
10:00am  Convocation Caucuses and Elections (Hampton Hall,
         Akers Hall, 2nd floor, Dandridge A&B 2nd floor, Chapel)
11:00 am  The Holy Eucharist (Church)
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         Budget Hearings (Hampton Hall)
12:30 pm  Clergy Spouse Luncheon (Belle at Belle Meade Plantation)
1:30 pm  Action on the 2010 Diocesan Budget (Church)
         Presentation and action on resolutions (Church)
3:30 pm  BREAK
5:00 pm  Adjournment
Order of Business of the 178th Annual Convention

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1. The Call to Order
2. Report of the Credentials Committee
3. Certification of a Quorum
4. Election of Convention Officers
   A. The Secretary
   B. The Assistant Secretaries
   C. The Parliamentarian (appointed)
5. Adoption of the Order of Business/Rules of Order
6. Introduction of New Clergy/Clergy Changes
7. Appointments by the Bishop
   A. Convention Committees
      1. On Credentials
      2. On Elections
      3. On General Resolutions
      4. On the Budget
      5. On Memorials and Greetings
      6. On Time and Place of the
         179th Convention
   B. Other Committees
      1. Constitution and Canons
      2. Church Pension Fund
      3. Evangelism
      4. Christian Education
      5. Environmental Stewardship
      6. Architectural Review Commission
      7. Commission on Stewardship
      8. Steering Committee on the
         Vocational Diaconate
      9. Mid-Cumberland Mountain Ministry Board
   C. Ecumenical Officer of the Diocese
8. Action on receiving late resolutions*
   Announcement of late nominations**

*Additional resolutions may not be received after an hour and a half following the opening of the Convention except as required by Rule of Order 3.02. Sponsors of late resolutions are responsible for providing 250 copies of their late resolutions on blue paper to the Secretary of Convention.

**Elections may not begin prior to 1:30 pm on Friday, January 22, 2010 (8.02). Further nominations may not be received after noon of the day prior to the opening of the Convention (8.01); that is noon on Thursday, January 21, 2010.

9. Resolutions of Greetings and Invitation
10. Bishop’s Address
11. Open Forum for Candidates
3:45 pm BREAK

12. Report of the Credentials Committee & General Elections: First Ballot
   A. The Bishop and Council
   B. The Standing Committee
   C. The Dandridge Trust Board
13. Elections upon nomination by the Bishop
   A. The Treasurer of the Diocese
   B. The Assistant Treasurer
   C. The Chancellor of the Diocese
   D. The Vice-Chancellors of the Diocese
   E. The Chancellor Emeritus
   F. The Registrar
   G. The Commission on Ministry
   H. Episcopal Appalachian Ministries Board (EAM)
   I. St. John’s Ashwood, Board of Directors
   J. The DuBose Conference Center Board
   K. The Ecclesiastical Trial Court
   L. Title IV Consultants
14. Presentation of the 2010 Diocesan Budget

4:30 pm

15. Special Order
   Guest Speaker: The Right Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson
   Bishop of Qu’Appelle, Anglican Church of Canada

5:00 pm RECESS

5:00 pm - 7:30 pm Convention Fellowship Reception (Hampton Hall)

Saturday, January 23

II. 8:00 am Registration continues (Johnson Hall)
8:00 am Rehearsal for the Holy Eucharist (Church)
9:00 am

16. Call to Order & Report of the
    Credentials Committee

17. Report of the Elections Committee & Second Ballot

18. Special Order: Companion Diocese Committee

19. Greetings from The Rt. Rev. Alfredo Morante,
    Episcopal Diocese of Litoral (Ecuador)

20. Reports to the Convention
    Christian Education Committee
    Environmental Stewardship Committee
    Evangelism Committee

21. Announcements from the Secretary

10:00am

22. Convocation Caucuses, Elections of Clergy
    Members of the Bishop and Council
    Northeastern (Hampton Hall)
    Northwestern (Akers Hall, 2nd floor)
    Southeastern (Dandridge A&B, 2nd floor)
    Southwestern (Chapel)

11:00 am Holy Eucharist (Church)

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The Rules of Order of the 178th Annual Convention

III.

3.01 Resolutions are submitted as the Canons may prescribe.

3.02 All resolutions shall be in writing and shall contain the name, parish, or mission, and the city of the proponent. Failing to meet the deadline as set forth in Canon 1, Section 9, the delegate or organization presenting a resolution may introduce such resolutions at the Convention no later than an hour and a half after the opening of the Convention upon simple majority vote of the delegates. Except for resolutions contained in the reports of Convention Committees, no resolution offered after an hour and a half following the opening of convention (the deadline) shall be considered except upon the affirmative vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the delegates present and voting. The delegate or organization presenting a late resolution is responsible for having 250 copies of the resolution reproduced on blue paper for distribution to the Convention.

3.03 The Presiding Officer shall refer all resolutions to appropriate Convention Committees for consideration, recommendation, and report to the Convention, provided, however, upon a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the delegates present a resolution may be considered immediately.

3.04 Where two or more resolutions deal basically with the same subject, they shall be referred to the same General Resolutions Committee. The Committee shall make every effort to consolidate them or otherwise assure their compatibility and should also make every effort to obtain the concurrence of the proponents concerned.

3.05 Each Convention Committee to which a resolution has been referred, after providing for a public hearing thereon, shall consider the form and substance of the resolution and in making its report shall recommend (a) for adoption, (b) for adoption with amendment, (c) for adoption of a substitute drafted by the Committee, (d) for rejection, or (e) for discharge from further consideration because the subject matter has been included in another resolution. The Committee’s recommendation to the Convention shall be in the form of a motion to adopt the Committee’s recommendation. If the Committee recommends rejection, the motion shall be on the adoption of the resolution, notwithstanding the recommendation of the Committee for rejection. After this motion has been seconded, the Committee Chairman or other representative shall state the reasons for the Committee’s recommendation. Thereafter, the proponent of the original resolution which is the subject of the Committee’s recommendation shall be recognized first if he/she so desires. Amendments may be offered, including an amendment to substitute the proponent’s original resolution for the recommended by the Committee.

3.06 [Deleted]

3.07 Any resolution which would require financial resources for its implementation shall address, within the context of the proposed diocesan budget, the source of any financial resources required for its implementation.
IV. MOTIONS IN ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

4.01 The following motions shall have priority in the order listed. The mover cannot interrupt a member who has the floor, must be recognized, and the motion must be seconded.

They are subject to the following rules:
(a) To adjourn or to recess
   (1) not debatable, if unqualified
   (2) not amendable
   (3) cannot be laid on the table
   (4) majority vote
   (5) The motion to adjourn shall always be in order, except that it shall not be offered when another member has the floor
(b) To adjourn to Time Certain
   (1) debatable as to the time
   (2) amendable as to the time
   (3) cannot be laid on the table
   (4) majority vote
(c) To Lay on Table or To Table
   (1) not debatable
   (2) not amendable
   (3) cannot be laid on the table
   (4) majority vote
(d) To Vote Immediately or at Time Certain, or to Extend Debate
   (1) not debatable
   (2) amendable, as to time, if a time specified
   (3) cannot be laid on the table
   (4) two-thirds majority vote
(e) To Postpone to a Time Certain
   (1) debatable
   (2) amendable as to time
   (3) may be laid on the table
   (4) majority vote
(f) To Commit or recommit to any Committee
   (1) debatable, except as to a Convention Committee
   (2) amendable as to the Committee to which to be sent
   (3) may be laid on the table
   (4) majority vote
(f) To Amend or To Substitute
   (1) Amendments and Substitutes are debatable only when Main Question is debatable.
   (2) One Amendment may be made to each independent; or separate portion of a Resolution; and the right to amend extends only to one Amendment of that Amendment and to a Substitute and one Amendment thereto.
   (3) A Substitute and its Amendment may be laid on the table, but cannot be
otherwise voted on until the original matter is perfected.
(4) majority vote
(5) Neither the Substitute nor its Amendment shall be voted on (except to lay on the table) until the original matter is perfected.

V. MOTIONS WITHOUT ORDER OR PRECEDENCE

5.01 The following motions have no order or priority, but are subject to the following rules:
(a) Appeal from Decisions of Chair
   (1) debatable
   (2) not amendable
   (3) may be laid on the table
   (4) majority vote. A tie vote sustains the Chair.
   (5) must be made immediately after decision
(b) To take from Table
   (1) not debatable
   (2) not amendable
   (3) cannot be laid on the table
   (4) majority vote
(c) To Recall from Committee
   (1) debatable
   (2) amendable
   (3) may be laid on the table
   (4) two-thirds majority
(d) To Create Special Order of Day for a Particular Time
   (1) debatable
   (2) amendable as to time
   (3) cannot be laid on the table
   (4) two-thirds majority vote
(e) Call for Order of the Day
   (1) Mover may interrupt a member who has the floor and is not required to be recognized or to have a second
   (2) not debatable
   (3) not amendable
   (4) cannot be laid on the table
   (5) No vote required, but two-thirds majority vote is necessary to suspend general or special order
(f) To Suspend the Rules or Take Up Business Out of Order
   (1) debatable
   (2) not amendable
   (3) cannot be laid on the table
   (4) two-thirds majority vote
(g) To Divide the Question
   (1) not debatable
(2) can be amended  
(3) cannot be laid on the table  
(4) majority vote, if vote required  
(5) may be made without being recognized and even though another member has the floor  
(6) If the Question under debate contains several distinct propositions which are independent of each other, at the request of any members the same shall be divided and a separate vote shall be taken, but the motion to strike out and to insert shall be indivisible.  
(7) If the propositions relate to the same subject, and yet each part can stand alone they may be divided only on a regular motion and vote.

VI. RECONSIDERATION

6.01 Neither a Question once determined, nor one of like import, shall again be brought before Convention, except on motion to reconsider made by one who voted in the majority, and seconded by another who voted in the majority.

6.02 Motions to reconsider are subject to the following further rules:
   (1) debatable when motion to be reconsidered is debatable  
   (2) not amendable  
   (3) may be tabled  
   (4) two-thirds majority vote  
   (5) no question can be twice considered unless it was materially amended after its first reconsideration

VII. DECORUM AND DEBATE

7.01 No member shall be absent from Convention, unless given permission or be unable to attend.

7.02 No member shall address the Convention or make any motion until after recognition by the Bishop, except to make a parliamentary inquiry, a point of order, or a motion not requiring recognition.

7.03 When any Delegate is about to speak, the Delegate shall address the Bishop, state name, parish or mission, and be confined strictly to the point of debate.

7.04 Except by leave of the Convention, no Delegate shall speak more than twice in the same debate nor longer than five minutes at one time.
VIII. VOTING

8.01 Nominations for Deputies to General Convention, Standing Committee, members of the Bishop and Council, members of the Dandridge Trust Board, which are in writing and contain the nominee’s name, parish or mission, and city and not more than one hundred words of biographical information including past and present service of the nominee to the Church at all levels and received in the office of the Secretary thirty days prior to the opening of the Convention shall be included in the Convention brochure, except for nominations to the Bishop and Council to be received at the caucus of convocations pursuant to the Order of Business. Additional written nominations for these offices may be made in like manner by filing with the Secretary of Convention prior to noon of the day prior to the opening of the convention. All such nominations shall contain the name, parish or mission, and city of the nominator who shall obtain the nominee’s consent and willingness to serve prior to submitting the nomination. Nominations may be made only by the Bishops of this Diocese and the Clerical and Lay Delegates and any other person authorized by Canon.

8.02 Balloting for the offices set forth in 8.01 shall commence not earlier than 9:30 AM on Friday of the Convention.

8.03 In elections of Deputies to the General Convention, members of the Bishop and Council, and members of the Dandridge Trust Board, elected members of the Cathedral Chapter, a majority of the votes cast shall be necessary to election. In all other elections, including that of Alternate Deputies to General Convention, a plurality shall suffice. If the Convention shall take up other business while ballots are being counted, such business may be interrupted for the report of tellers and additional ballots.

8.04 Unless otherwise expressly provided, any rule requiring a specified majority shall be construed to mean the affirmative vote of the specified majority of the Delegates present and voting.

8.05 Ballots with more or fewer votes than there are positions to be filed shall be declared invalid.

8.06 A vote by orders shall mean a specific vote by lay and clergy delegates and shall require passage in each order. [See Article VI of the Constitution]

8.07 In the event that there are two nominees from the same parish or mission for the Standing Committee, or the Bishop and Council, the two candidates, regardless of order, may stand for election. The candidate receiving a majority and/or the highest number of votes shall be elected and the other candidates shall be declared ineligible for the office due to canonical restriction.
IX. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

9.01 Whenever so ordered by a vote of the majority of members present the Convention may go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of any matter.

X. UNANIMOUS CONSENT

10.01 By unanimous consent, any action may be taken that is not in contravention of any provision of the Constitution or the Canons.

XI. GENERAL REGULATIONS

11.01 Except with the express permission of the Bishop or when otherwise ordered by majority vote of the Convention, no books, pamphlets, or other printed matter may be distributed within the Convention Hall, or be placed on the seats or desks of the Delegates; but this prohibition shall not apply to Resolutions, reports, and other documents prepared or distributed by the Secretary of the Convention or to ballots for elections.

XII. ROBERT’S RULES OF ORDER

12.01 Except when in conflict with the Constitution and Canons, or any Rules herein contained, the latest edition of Robert’s Rules of Order shall govern the interpretation of these Rules and procedures to be followed.

XIII. AMENDMENTS

13.01 These Rules may be amended at anytime by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present.
The 178th Annual Convention

Saturday, January 23, 2010
11:00am

The Diocese of Tennessee

St. George’s Episcopal Church
4715 Harding Road
Nashville, Tennessee 37205

The Episcopal Church USA
Prelude: Solemn Melody

H. Wafford Davies

The Word of God

Procession

HYMN #86: O Savior of our fallen race

Gonfalon Royal

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

A Song of Praise (Benedictus es, Domine)

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Collect of the Day

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 3:14-21

Psalm 84:7-12

Chanted by St. George’s Choir

Gospel Hymn #293: I sing a song of the saints of God

Grand Isle

Gospel

Matthew 24:24-27

Sermon

The Right Reverend Greg Kerr-Wilson

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Blessing of Gifts for the Diocese of Litoral, Ecuador

The Prayers of the People, Form IV

BCP 388

Confession of Sin (congregation kneels)

The Peace

The Holy Communion

Offertory

The offering is divided equally between St. Luke’s Community House, Mid-Cumberland Mountain Ministry and Magdalene House.

In the Year that King Uzziah Died

David McK. Williams

In the year that king Uzziah died, I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne,
High, and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.
Above it stood the seraphim: each one had six wings;
With twain he covered his face, with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

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And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts; The whole earth is full of his glory.
And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, And the house was filled with smoke.

Then said I, woe is me! For I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: For mine eyes have seen, the King, the Lord of hosts.

Then flew one of the seraphim, having a live coal in his hand, Which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar, And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips, And thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin is purged.

Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Here am I, send me.

HYMN #398: I sing the almighty power of God

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

SANCTUS

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM: "CHRIST OUR PASSOVER"

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

O Nata Lux

O born light of light, Jesus, redeemer of the world, Mercifully deem worthy and accept the praises and prayers of your suppliants.

Those who once desired to be clothed in flesh for the sake of lost ones, Grant us to be made members of your holy body.

COMMUNION HYMNS

#488: Be thou my vision

#309: O food to pilgrims given

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN #492: Sing, ye faithful

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE: Carillon de Westminster
Participants

Celebrant
The Right Reverend John C. Bauerschmidt, D. Phil.
Eleventh Bishop of Tennessee

Concelebrants
The Right Reverend Bertram N. Herndon
Tenth Bishop of Tennessee (ret.)
The Right Reverend William F. Sanders
Bishop of East Tennessee (ret.)
The Right Reverend Greg Kerr-Wilson
Bishop of Gafq’Appelle (Canada)
The Right Reverend Alfredo Morante
Bishop of Liberal (Ecuador)
The Reverend Leagh Speuill
Rector, St. George's, Nashville

Preacher
The Right Reverend Greg Kerr-Wilson
Bishop of Gafq’Appelle (Canada)

Chaplain to Bishop Bauerschmidt
The Reverend Canon Fred Dettwiler
Canon for Finance, Administration, and Development

Minister of Ceremonies
William Gleason
Diocesan Verger, Church of the Resurrection, Nashville

Clergy Marshall
Don Greene
St. George's Church, Nashville

Deacon of the Table
The Reverend Charles Burdeshaw
St. Ann's, Nashville

Eucharistic Ministers
Patens
The Right Reverend John C. Bauerschmidt
The Right Reverend Bertram N. Herndon

Chalices
The Right Reverend William F. Sanders
The Right Reverend Greg Kerr-Wilson
The Right Reverend Alfredo Morante
The Reverend Leagh Speuill

Oblation Bearers
L. Jarod Pearson
St. Agnes Church, Cowan
George Fossey
Church of St. Joseph of Arimathea, Hendersonville

Lectors
Abbie Hudgens
Church of the Resurrection, Franklin

Gospeler
The Reverend Dolores Nicholson
Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville

The Prayers of the People
Kathryn Ann Hinton
Church of the Holy Trinity, Nashville

Musicians
Dr. Mark Rang
Director of Music
Gerry Encanial
Organist
St. George's Choir

Vergers
William Gleason
Diocesan Verger, Church of the Resurrection, Nashville

Gail Thompson
St. George's Church, Nashville
Don Greene
St. George's Church, Nashville

Thurifer
David Weeks
St. George's Church, Nashville

Acolytes
Evans Clements
Jason Callen
Judith Broadbent
Martin Davis
St. George's Church, Nashville

Ushers
Agatha Nolan
Brooks Loomis
Joe King
Dru Anderson
St. George's Church, Nashville
The Afternoon Session


The Chair recognized the Rev. James Rogers, Church of the Messiah Pulaski, who gave the report from the Committee on Credentials.

Registered Clergy Delegates present 69
Registered Lay Delegates present 96
Registered Alternate Delegates present 17
Registered Visitors present 45
Non-Canonically Resident Clergy present 10

The Rev. Randy Dunnavant, Secretary of the Convention, certified the presence of a quorum under the provisions of Article V of the Constitution of the Diocese of Tennessee.

The Chair then nominated the Rev. Randy Dunnavant as Secretary of the 178th Annual Convention. No other nominations were submitted; Fr. Dunnavant was elected. The Chair nominated the Rev. Canon Pamela Snare and the Rev. Canon Fred Dettwiller as Assistant Secretaries of the Convention. No other nominations were submitted; Canons Snare and Dettwiller were elected.

The Chair appointed Chancellor Emeritus David B. Herbert as Parliamentarian. Mr. Herbert introduced the Order of Business and moved that the Order of Business be adopted. The Chair asked for discussion. Mr. Herbert announced that Item 22, “Convocation Caucuses, Elections of Lay,” should read “Convocation Caucuses, Elections of Clergy.” Hearing no further discussion, the Chair called for a vote to adopt the Order of Business as amended. The Rules of Order were adopted as amended.

The Chair announced clergy new to the Diocese and those with changes to their cures:
The Rev. James Rogers, Interim, Church of the Messiah Pulaski
The Rev. Joel Hassel, retired
The Rev. Mary Hassell, non-parochial
The Rev. Randy Hoover-Dempsey, Interim, St. Mary Magdalene Church Fayetteville
The Rev. Joseph Howard, Priest-in-Charge, St. Joseph of Arimathea Hendersonville
The Rev. Richard Zalesak, Rector, St. Peter’s Church Columbia
The Rev. Thomas Morris, Canonically Resident, Executive Director, St. Mary’s Sewanee
The Rev. Colin Ambrose, Assistant, St. Paul’s Church Murfreesboro
The Rev. William Barton, Vicar, STEM and St. Bernard’s Church Gruetli-Laager
The Rev. William Dennler, Priest-in-Charge, Holy Trinity Church Nashville
The Rev. Michael Hurst, Assistant, Church of the Advent Nashville
The Rev. Bude Van Dyke, Canonically Resident, St. Andrew’s-Sewanee School and St. Matthew’s Church McMinnville
The Very Rev. Timothy Kimbrough, Dean, Christ Church Cathedral Nashville

The Chair appointed the following committees of the Convention¹:
The Committee on Credentials
The Committee on Elections
The Committee on General Resolutions
The Committee on the Budget
The Committee on Memorials and Greetings
The Committee on Time and Place of the 179th Annual Convention

The Chair also appointed the Standing Committee on Constitution and Canon and the Standing Committee on the Church Pension Fund. The Chair then appointed the following Commissions and Committees²:
The Commission on Evangelism
The Commission on Christian Education
The Commission on Environmental Stewardship (Living in Creation Ministry)
The Architectural Review Commission
The Commission on Stewardship
The Steering Committee on the Vocational Diaconate
Mid-Cumberland Mountain Ministry Advisory Board
Diocesan Ecumenical Officer

The Chair called upon the Secretary for announcement of late resolutions.

The Secretary announced a late resolution to adopt the charter for lifelong Christian formation, sponsored by the vestry of St. Paul’s Church Murfreesboro and St. Paul’s Church Franklin. The Chair asked for a motion for the resolution to be placed before Convention. It was moved and seconded, and the Convention agreed for the resolution to be voted upon at the proper time.

The Secretary announced a late resolution for the unification of St. Francis’ Church Goodlettsville and Church of St. Joseph of Arimathea Hendersonville into a single parish. The Chair asked for a motion for the resolution to be placed before Convention. It was moved and seconded, and the Convention agreed for the resolution to be voted upon at the proper time.

The Secretary announced a late resolution to give voice at convention to the Chancellor Emeritus, David B. Herbert, submitted by the Bishop and Council of the Diocese of Tennessee. The Chair asked for a motion for the resolution to be placed before Convention. It was moved and seconded, and the Convention agreed for the resolution to be voted upon at the proper time.

¹ Members of these committees are listed on page 4 of this Journal.
² Members of these committees and commissions are listed on page 56 of this Journal.
The Secretary announced a late resolution to amend Canon 6, Section 6 to allow the Bishop and Council to fill vacancies, submitted by the Bishop and Council. The Chair asked for a motion for the resolution to be placed before Convention. It was moved and seconded, and the Convention agreed for the resolution to be voted upon at the proper time.

The Secretary announced a late resolution on diocesan study of the Anglican Covenant, submitted by the lay and clergy members of the Standing Committee who have voice and vote. The Chair asked for a motion for the resolution to be placed before Convention. It was moved and seconded, and the Convention agreed for the resolution to be voted upon at the proper time.

The Secretary announced a late resolution regarding Camp Gailor-Maxon, submitted by the Rev.s Rick Britton, Vicki Burgess, Rick Greenwood and Peter Whalen. The Chair asked for a motion for the resolution to be placed before Convention. It was moved and seconded and the Convention agreed for the resolution to be voted upon at the proper time.

The Secretary announced that the floor remained open for resolutions until 4:00 PM, January 22, 2010, according to Rule of Order 3.02.

The Chair called upon the Secretary for announcements of late nominations.

The Secretary announced a late nomination of the Rev. Polk Van Zandt, St. Paul’s Church Murfreesboro; the Rev. Rick Britton, St. Ann’s Church Nashville and the Rev. Randy Hoover-Dempsey, St. Mary Magdalene Church Fayetteville, for the open clergy positions on the Standing Committee.

The Chair recognized the Rev. Jody Howard, Chair of the Committee on Memorials, Greetings and Resolutions of Appreciation, who moved the following resolutions³:

Resolution #1 Resolution of Invitation **Seconded and adopted**
Resolution #2 Resolution of Gratitude **Seconded and adopted**
Resolution #3 Resolution of Greeting and Welcome **Seconded and adopted**

Bishop Bauerschmidt offered his address to the Convention⁴.

The Convention held an Open Forum, moderated by Standing Committee president, the Rev. Leigh Spruill, St. George’s Church Nashville, for candidates in convention elections for the Standing Committee.

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³ The text of these resolutions may be found on page 58 of this Journal.
⁴ Full text of the bishop’s address may be found on page 42 of this Journal.
Following a mid-afternoon break, the Rev. Michael Spurlock, All Saints’ Church Smyrna, gave the report from the Credentials Committee:

Registered Clergy Delegates present          70
Registered Lay Delegates present             102
Registered Alternate Delegates present       15
Registered Visitors present                  49
Non-Canonically Resident Clergy present      12

The Chair recognized Jane Stranch, Chair of the Election Committee, who reported that there were no nominations for the clergy at-large position for election to Bishop and Council. The Chair recognized Scott Kammerer, St. Bartholomew’s Church Nashville, who made a motion to suspend the Rules of Order to accept nominations from the floor for the open positions. The motion was seconded and approved.

The Rev. Robert Cowperthwaite, St. Paul’s Church Franklin, nominated the Rev. Robert Abstein, retired. Mr. Kammerer nominated the Rev. Jerry Smith, St. Bartholomew’s Church Nashville. The Rev. Leigh Spruill, St. George’s Church nominated the Rev. Tim Jones. These nominations were seconded. Nominations were closed and the candidates were given a chance to address the convention in an open forum.

Mrs. Stranch explained the election process and then caused the ballots to be distributed to the delegates. The ballot was amended to include the late nominations for election of at-large members to the Bishop and Council and the members of the Standing Committee.

Mrs. Stranch asked for a motion for election by acclamation of the Rev. Cynthia Seifert, Church of the Good Shepherd Brentwood and Deborah “Riffi” O’Brien, St. Augustine’s Chapel Nashville, for positions on the Dandridge Trust Board. It was moved, seconded and approved.

Following the vote, the Elections Committee retired to count the ballots.

The Chair placed these nominations before convention and they were elected:

Treasurer of the Diocese                     W.A. (Pete) Stringer
Assistant Treasurer of the Diocese           Don Shriver
Chancellor of the Diocese                    Gareth S. Aden
Vice-Chancellor of the Diocese               James Ramsey
Vice-Chancellor of the Diocese               Jane Stranch
Chancellor Emeritus                          David B. Herbert
Registrar of the Diocese                     Greg Poole

The Chair made nominations to the following commissions and boards and they were elected:\n
The Commission on Ministry
Episcopal Appalachian Ministries Board

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5 Members of these commissions/boards are listed on page 54 of this Journal.
The Chair recognized Ed Arning, Bishop and Council, to present the 2010 Diocesan Budget. Acceptance of the budget was moved and seconded and became an open item.

The Secretary made announcements regarding the referral of resolutions for further discussion on January 23, 2010.

The convention recessed at 5:07 PM following Evening Prayer.

**Saturday, January 23, 2010**

**The Morning Session**

The Convention was called to order at 9:07 AM by the Right Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt, Chair. The Chair recognized the Rev. Michael Spurlock, All Saints’ Church Smyrna, who gave the report from the Committee on Credentials.

Registered Clergy Delegates present 52  
Registered Lay Delegates present 109  
Registered Non-Parochial Clergy Present 18  
Registered Alternate Delegates present 17  
Registered Visitors present 56  
Non-Canonically Resident Clergy present 15

The Secretary moved to create a special order of business according to Rules of Order 5.01(d), to allow time for Bishop Gregory Kerr-Wilson’s address to Convention at Item 24. It was seconded and approved.

The Chair called upon Jane Stranch to announce the election results. There was a total of 163 ballots cast. In the election for the Bishop and Council at-large positions, the Rev. Robert Abstein and the Rev. Jerry Smith were elected. In the election for Standing Committee, in the lay order, Scott Kammerer was elected. In the clergy order, the Rev. Thomas Hotchkiss was elected for one position; there was a three-way tie for the other position, between the Rev. Rick Britton, the Rev. Randy Hoover-Dempsey and the Rev. Polk Van Zandt. A second ballot was called for and distributed. After the vote, the ballots were collected and the Elections Committee retired to count the ballots.

The Chair recognized George Kurz, Chair of the Companion Diocese Committee to begin the report and presentation at the conclusion of the companion relationship with the Diocese of Litoral Ecuador. Dale Ensor presented information on past Medical Missions to Ecuador and
Bob Thompson spoke about the 2010 Medical Mission to Ecuador. Spanish Language prayer books and a UTO offering of $7000 was presented by Judy Hines to Bishop Alfredo Morante. Bishop Bauerschmidt presented a plaque and offered words of friendship. Bishop Morante delivered an address of thanks and fellowship.

The Secretary made announcements then moved to defer Item 20 to the afternoon session. Motion was seconded and approved.

The Chair called upon Jane Stranch to announce the election results. With 152 ballots cast, in the election for Standing Committee, the clergy order, the Rev. Rick Britton was elected.

Mrs. Stranch explained the caucus elections for the convocation Bishop and Council positions.

The Chair recessed convention for the convocation meetings.

The Afternoon Session

Following the Holy Eucharist and lunch break, the Convention was called back into order at 1:50 PM by the Right Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt, Chair. The Chair recognized the Rev. Michael Spurlock, All Saints’ Church Smyrna, who gave the report from the Committee on Credentials.

Registered Clergy Delegates present 72
Registered Lay Delegates present 113
Registered Alternate Delegates present 23
Registered Visitors present 59
Non-Canonically Resident Clergy present 16

The Chair called upon the co-chairs of the General Resolution Committee, the Rev. Tom Hotchkiss and the Rev. Vicki Burgess. The committee recommended the Resolution On The Unification of St. Francis’ Church Goodlettsville and St. Joseph of Arimathea Hendersonville Into A Single Parish and they moved it be adopted. After no discussion, the Chair called for a vote; the resolution passed.

The Chair introduced the Special Order of Business relating to that resolution and called the Rev. Jody Howard, Priest-in-Charge of St. Joseph of Arimatha Hendersonville, and Adam Waltenbaugh and George Fossey, parishioners of St. Joseph of Arimathea to report to Convention on the unification of the two churches.

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6 Resolution on page 64 of this Journal.
The Chair called upon Jane Stranch to announce the results of the convocations’ elections for representative to the Bishop and Council:

- Northeast Convocation: The Rev. Rob Courtney
- Northwest Convocation: The Rev. David Yancey
- Southwest Convocation: The Rev. Richard Zalesak
- Southeast Convocation: The Rev. Peter Whalen

The Chair invited guest speaker Bishop Gregory Kerr-Wilson to address the convention.

The Chair called upon the Rev. Cynthia Seifer, chair of the Evangelism Committee\(^7\) to report. She recapped their sponsored events of 2009, including a day conference with the Very Rev. Kevin Martin and two Alpha courses. The Evangelism Leadership Forum was formed as a resource group of people in the diocese interested in promoting evangelism. She also laid out the goals for 2010, which include a Magnetic Church workshop, Evangelism 101 events and more Alpha courses.

The Chair called upon Emily Jones, chair of the Living in Creation Ministry\(^8\) to report. She recapped their sponsored events of 2009, including a workshop with Dr. Katy Hinman from Georgia Interfaith Power and Light and a rain barrel workshop in Franklin. Their goals for 2010 include more meetings within the diocese, maintaining a vibrant website and introducing Rogation Sunday resolution and liturgy.

The Chair called upon David Rowe, chair of the Commission on Christian Education\(^9\) to report. He reported that they are thinking of themselves as doing not only Christian Education but Christian Formation. In 2009, they held more convocational meetings, a Share The Word workshop and offered funding to agencies and congregations for programs and activities. In 2010, the committee will create a strategy for implementing the Charter for Lifelong Christian Formation, hold two Share The Word workshops and continue to consult with congregations.

The Chair recognized the diocesan Treasurer and members of the Bishop and Council to lead discussion on the 2010 Budget. Ed Arning offered opening remarks about preparation of the 2010 Diocesan Budget. The Rev. William (Doc) Martin offered words of encouragement on the financial realities of the diocese and asked for clear-mindedness in accepting the budget.

Treasurer Pete Stringer, after altering the handouts given to properly reflect the proposed budget and commenting on Fair Share asks vs. contributions, submitted the budget to convention. After no discussion from the floor, a vote was called. The 2010 budget\(^10\) was passed by unanimous vote.

\(^7\) The Evangelism Committee report may be found on page 85 of this Journal.
\(^8\) The Living In Creation report may be found on page 88 of this Journal.
\(^9\) The Commission on Christian Education report may be found on page 75 of this Journal.
\(^10\) The final 2010 Budget may be found on page 108 of this Journal.
The committee recommended the Resolution For A Calling of Churches Celebrate Rogation Sunday During Eastertide\textsuperscript{11} and they moved it be adopted; it was seconded. After no discussion, the Chair called for a vote; the resolution passed.

The committee recommended the Resolution To Support Episcopal Relief and Development Through Pura Vida Coffee\textsuperscript{12} and they moved it be adopted; it was seconded. After no discussion, the Chair called for a vote; the resolution passed.

The committee recommended the Resolution To Adopt the Charter for Lifelong Christian Formation\textsuperscript{13} and they moved it be adopted; it was seconded. After no discussion, the Chair called for a vote; the resolution passed.

The committee recommended the Resolution On the Diocesan Study of the Anglican Communion Covenant\textsuperscript{14} and they moved it be adopted with amendments; it was seconded. After no discussion, the Chair called for a vote; the resolution passed.

The committee recommended the Resolution To Support Camp Gailor-Maxon\textsuperscript{15} and they moved it be adopted; it was seconded. The Rev. Peter Whalen, Church of the Redeemer Shelbyville, expressed concerns about the camp program and safety of the camp. He pointed out that, while the diocese supports the camp, it has no input into the program. Ed Miller, DuBose Conference Center board member, offered some history on DuBose and Camp Gailor-Maxon. He stated an obligation to provide for the youth of the diocese and asked for support of the camp. Jim Ramsey, Vice-Chancellor, spoke of the generational importance within his family and other families in the diocese. Jarod Pearson, St. Agnes’ Mission Cowan, expressed desire to have the diocese have more oversight of the camp and its programs. After no further discussion, the Chair called for a vote; the resolution passed.

The committee recommended the Resolution to Conclude Companion Relationship\textsuperscript{16} with the Diocese of Litoral Ecuador and they moved it be adopted; it was seconded. After no discussion, the Chair called for a vote; the resolution passed.

The Chair called George Kurz to offer a prayer of thanksgiving for the companion diocese relationship between the Diocese of Tennessee and the Diocese of Litoral.
The Chair called again upon the co-chairs of the General Resolution Committee, the Rev. Tom Hotchkiss and the Rev. Vicki Burgess. The committee recommended the Resolution To Initiate a Search Process for a New Companion Diocese Relationship\textsuperscript{17} and they moved it be adopted; it was seconded. After no discussion, the Chair called for a vote; the resolution passed.

The Chair called upon Joe Brown of the Canonical Resolution Committee. He spoke on the revision of Title IV by General Convention which will be effective on July 1, 2011. It regards discipline of clergy and bishops. It requires amendments to diocesan canon to provide for a disciplinary board consisting of not less than seven individuals. Advisors, conciliators and panels will have to be appointed to attempt to resolve disciplinary matters. An intake officer will be appointed to receive complaints, an investigator will investigate complaints and protocol must be publicized. The Canonical Resolution Committee will prepare a Resolution for the 2011 Annual Convention.

The committee recommended the Resolution To Give Chancellor Emeritus Voice But No Vote at Annual Convention\textsuperscript{18} and they moved it be adopted; it was seconded. After no discussion, the Chair called for a vote; the resolution passed.

The committee recommended the Resolution To Amended Canon 6, Section 6, Allowing Bishop and Council to Fill Vacancies\textsuperscript{19} and they moved it be adopted; it was seconded. Mr. Brown spoke of the need for this permission to be granted to give the Bishop and Council with quorums at their meetings. The committee recommended the resolution be passed without amendment.

Greg Conroy, Church of the Advent Nashville, suggested convocations be allowed 60 days to fill the position before the Bishop and Council does so. He moved to amend the resolution, the amendment was seconded. The Chair asked for discussion on the proposed amendment. Joe Brown spoke against the amendment, clarifying the committee’s initial recommendation, stating that the Bishop and Council will fill the vacancy from the same convocation with the open position.

Sherry Hughey, St. Andrew’s Church New Johnsonville, asked for point of clarification on convening convocations. Gareth Aden, Chancellor, rose to speak in support of the committee version of the resolution and against the amendment, citing difficulty in convening convocations. Jim Ramsey, Vice-Chancellor, pointed out that convocations are not meeting on a regular basis. Jarod Pearson, St. Anges’ Mission Cowan, also described difficulty in calling convocation meetings due to poor structuring of the convocations. Susan Huggins, St. David’s Church Nashville, suggested that having the Bishop and Council filling the vacancy would give convocations proper representation.

\textsuperscript{17} The resolution may be found on page 60 of this Journal.
\textsuperscript{18} The resolution may be found on page 63 of this Journal.
\textsuperscript{19} The resolution may be found on page 62 of this Journal.
After no further discussion, the Chair called for a vote on the amendment to the resolution; the amendment failed to pass. The Chair called for a vote on the original resolution; the resolution passed.

The Chair asked the Secretary to draw the Convention’s attention to the 2009 Interim Actions of the Bishop and Council\textsuperscript{20} and the 2009 Real Estate Transactions of the Bishop and Council\textsuperscript{21}. The Secretary moved for ratification; both were seconded. After no discussion, both actions were ratified.

The Chair called for remarks and greetings from the following constituent agencies of the Diocese of Tennessee\textsuperscript{22}:

Charles Beaumont  
The Rev. Bude Van Dyke  
Brian Diller  
Brady Banks  
Thomas Morris  
Camp Gailor-Maxon  
St. Andrew’s-Sewanee School  
St. Luke’s Community House  
Episcopal Relief and Development  
St. Mary’s Sewanee

The Chair called upon the Committee on the Time and Place of the 179th Annual Convention. The Rev. Joseph Davis, Church of the Resurrection Franklin, announced the 2011 Annual Convention would be held at St. Bartholomew’s Church Nashville, January 21-22, 2011.

The Chair called upon the Very Rev. Timothy Kimbrough, Dean, Christ Church Cathedral Nashville, who spoke to the convention of the imminent retirement of the Rev. Canon Geoffrey Butcher and announced that on May 2 there would be a festival evensong in Canon Butcher’s honor to be held at the Cathedral. The convention as one rose in a standing ovation, recognizing the service of Canon Butcher in the Diocese of Tennessee.

The Secretary offered final announcements.

After closing prayers, the 178th Annual Convention was adjourned at 5:06 PM.

\textsuperscript{20} The resolution may be found on page 66 of this Journal.
\textsuperscript{21} The resolution may be found on page 67 of this Journal.
\textsuperscript{22} The reports may be found starting on page 68 of this Journal.
Bishop’s Address to the 178th Annual Convention

Introduction.

My fellow clergy, esteemed delegates, honored guests, I bid you welcome to the 178th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee. We are assembled here to “take counsel for the renewal and mission” of the Church, as the Prayer Book says, and in doing so we are blessed to have the presence of two especially honored guests, Bishop Alfredo Morante of our Companion Diocese of Litoral in Ecuador, and Bishop Gregory Kerr-Wilson of the Diocese of Qu’Appelle in the Anglican Church in Canada. I was especially blessed in being Bishop Morante’s guest this summer in Ecuador, where I was privileged to be with him and his wife Olga, and to solidify our friendship as bishops and companions in ministry. Bishop Greg is a friend from some years back, when we were priests with a common concern for the Catholic witness of Anglicanism. We were thrown together again as “baby bishops” in the orientation course for new bishops, and at the Lambeth Conference, and it’s been a pleasure to renew the friendship. It’s a pleasure to welcome both bishops, as a sign of the international scope of the Anglican Communion; and if we have confined ourselves this year to the Western Hemisphere, we’re still reminded that Christianity is an international phenomenon.

I’m grateful to all of you for your assistance in the past year. Someone asked me recently to define what I do. Now that’s a great question! I think a good answer is that I have the privilege of working with the leaders of the church. By that I mean that I get to work with Vestries and Mission Councils, with the Diocesan Council and the Standing Committee, with the Evangelism Committee and with Diocesan Cursillo, with the Board of St. Andrew’s-Sewanee School and of St. Luke’s Community House, with the Commission on Ministry and with the Living in Creation Ministry, with our hard-working diocesan staff and with the Trustees of the University of the South… the wonderfully diverse list could go on. We are blessed with wonderful lay leadership in the Diocese of Tennessee, with many great leaders. The clergy of the diocese are our chief assets, who give of themselves sacrificially, with good grace. I am particularly indebted to them. God has blessed us and placed before us so many opportunities for the work of the Gospel.

Let us remember, here at our Annual Convention, that we are the church, a Eucharistic fellowship and assembly here in middle Tennessee that is linked by the ministry of the bishop to other churches elsewhere, an expression of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church of the Creeds. St. Cyprian of Carthage wrote in the third century that there is “one episcopate diffused through many,” a multiplicity of bishops but one ministry of oversight that ultimately points to the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, Jesus Christ our Lord. We celebrate a common Eucharist at a variety of altars, a Eucharist that is presided over by the Lord himself. The church stretches from the cross and empty tomb to the heavenly Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, from the mighty acts of salvation to the consummation of all things. We pause here today to take stock, and to take counsel with each other for the Church’s renewal and mission.

Our Convention takes place at a time of challenge for the Church in Tennessee, but also in a spirit of Gospel hope and the expectation of new life. The Letter to the Hebrews tells us that Christians must have patience and faith in order to inherit the promises (Heb. 6:12). Our own patience and faith are being tested, so let’s talk about some of the challenges, and then about the new life that is coming, as we put our trust in God.
Financial Challenge.

Financial issues have loomed large over the past year. I have talked about them at length in various forums, with lay leaders and with the clergy. We have striven to be transparent. Very briefly, the Diocese of Tennessee is guarantor or co-borrower for significant bank loans for building projects at three of our new church plants, loans that come to about $5.6 million. We have unrestricted assets of about $3.2 million, and over the past three years we have been forced to meet some of these obligations from our diocesan assets, especially at All Saints’ Smyrna, which went through a serious division in the congregation in 2006. This situation has been exacerbated by the economic troubles of the past year and a half, which raised the possibility that the slow drain on our resources might suddenly become something more than that. I think it is fair to say that our assets are heavily leveraged. We have invested in new ministries that remain vibrant and promising, but we now have little flexibility in our overall financial situation.

This situation has colored the proposed budget for 2010. In shaping our budget to bridge the gap between requests for funding and the resources God has given us, many ministries of our diocese have been affected.

Most missions that receive aid have not received all that was requested; most committees and commissions of the diocese have not been fully funded; and the deacon-in-training program that has helped us to place newly ordained clergy within the diocese has been eliminated entirely for the second half of the year. Administrative costs have been likewise pared, not only in day to day operations, but also in the phasing out of one administrative position at the diocesan level, after a resignation, beginning last year.

It’s my conviction that this budget speaks to our times and also charts a way forward in faith to the future for the Diocese of Tennessee. The Diocese of Tennessee has a commitment to congregational life, and to investing resources in our local faith communities. We continue to invest in the revitalization of our two mission churches in Rutherford County, where we already have a substantial investment in property and buildings (which are, remember, tools of our mission). We’re also raising our investment in the Southeast Tennessee Episcopal Ministry, in order to better serve the pastoral needs of an entire large area of the diocese, and continuing with a number of initiatives in mission and service as well. Part of the hope this budget represents is the expectation that as our revenue increases in 2010, the Bishop & Council can think again about our priorities and increase funding for particular ministries as we go.

St. Andrew’s Complaint.

Since the beginning of my episcopate I have worked to establish a relationship with St. Andrew’s Church, which under the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Tennessee and of the Episcopal Church remains a parish of the Diocese of Tennessee. This fall, after a renewed invitation from me in the spring to participate fully in the life of the diocese with no penalty, the leadership of the parish reaffirmed their wish not to participate in the Diocese of Tennessee.
The Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Tennessee are very clear about the responsibilities of the bishop in cases where parish property (remember, a tool of our mission) is not being used for the purposes for which it was intended (the mission of the Diocese of Tennessee), and require the bishop to act. The Complaint filed by the diocese in Chancery Court at the end of October was the only recourse left to us. Tony McFarland and Dick Lodge, and their colleague Wendy Warren at Bass, Berry, & Sims have undertaken the work pro bono, and are ably supported by our Chancellor and Chancellor Emeritus. We are grateful to them.

I have listened carefully to many different perspectives, both before and after bringing this action. I weighed our options before advising the Diocesan Council that we should bring this Complaint against the disaffiliating leadership. No one should undertake such a course without grave consideration and prayer. I have considered what Christian charity and justice require of us, searched the Scriptures and our history of interpreting them, in charting this course. After two and a half years of efforts to build relationships with the leadership and membership of St. Andrew’s Church, seeking reconciliation and a way forward together, I don’t think this action is hasty. St. Andrew’s disaffiliating leadership does not wish to be connected with the Diocese of Tennessee: if so, so be it; but this is a very different thing from asserting that St. Andrew’s Church is not a parish of the Diocese of Tennessee. St. Andrew’s is and always has been a congregation of the diocese since its inception in 1889, and no group of parishioners can subsequently modify or end that relationship unilaterally. We have a common life in Christ in the Diocese of Tennessee, and are accountable to one another. That is the very heart of the matter. It’s at the heart of what we’re doing here this weekend in this Convention, as we take counsel together for the renewal and mission of the church.

Our preferred resolution remains the full participation of St. Andrew’s Church in the Diocese of Tennessee. We have explored all options and seek to resolve this in good faith. Please continue to pray for this situation and for all involved.

New Life.

In the midst of challenge there is evidence of new life. First, the Vocational Diaconate program, which will begin this year. The Diaconate is a part of the three-fold order of ordained ministry which comes down to us from the earliest times as the mainstream pattern of ministry in the church, a pattern that was re-affirmed at the Reformation in the Church of England and given additional visibility and definition in the Ordinal of 1550, with rites for ordination of bishops, priests and deacons. The order of deacons served in various capacities in the first centuries of the church, in ministries of service often associated with the administration of the church’s charitable works, serving at the altar as well. Deacons (like Vincent of Saragossa, for instance) were often the bishop’s chief support, and many early bishops had served as archdeacon of the diocesan church. Gradually over the centuries the diaconate became less of a distinct ministry, and more a stepping stone to the priesthood, which probably preserved it, a sort of ministry encased in amber, as it were, waiting for better times.

In the past thirty years the diaconate has revived as a distinct order of ministry in both the Roman Catholic Church and in many churches of the Anglican Communion, not just a stepping
stone to the priesthood, with a focus on the world outside the church’s doors. Vocational deacons are distinct from transitional deacons, who proceed on to the priesthood. Diaconal ministry as modernly conceived is meant to focus the attention of the church on ministry in the world. The church seeks to ordain people who are already involved in this ministry, especially those who can lead by involving others in this work. They serve at the altar, but their focus lies outside the church.

The proposals for the Vocational Diaconate program are contained in your Convention book. I’m grateful to Linda Hutton and the other members of this working group for their careful work over this past eighteen months. An initial group of postulants will begin preparation in the fall of this year. This is normally a non-stipendiary ministry, under the leadership of the bishop and supervised by the parish priest. It will mean so much to us in the future as we seek to reach out to a world that needs the witness and ministry of the church for healing and for reconciliation.

In the past two years the new Living in Creation Ministry, which has focused our diocese on environmental concerns, has taken shape. A Committee came into being, and a network of parish liaisons has helped to bring the work into our local parishes and missions. Care for the environment is crucial for us as Christians, for theological reasons as well as pragmatic and prudential ones given the environmental crisis. Our God made the world and all that is in it and called it good (Gen. 1:31), and Revelation gives us a picture of “a new heaven and a new earth,” (Rev. 21:1) where “righteousness is at home” (2 Pet. 3:13). I encourage you to pay careful attention to the resolution that calls for the observance of a Rogation Sunday in Eastertide that focuses the Church’s attention on the gift of creation. I’m grateful to Emily Jones for her leadership here.

The Evangelism Committee has, over the past two and a half years, sponsored a number of good conferences and done considerable parish level work building a network of concern for the Great Commission. There is a new conference coming up on the 5th and 6th of March, with Andrew Weeks. Again, there’s opportunity to become involved. What’s happening in your parish to focus us intentionally on the proclamation of the Gospel and the sharing of the Faith?

There are so many opportunities to become involved. The new Lenten Food Drive for Second Harvest this year, outlined in the November/December Connections, is a good example. We carry out the Great Commandment of loving God and loving our neighbor as ourselves through service. Again, a parish network is being built. Do you see a common theme? In these three areas of ministry in the diocese we rely on cooperative ventures between congregations, which help to flesh out the life of the diocese and make it a living reality. If you want to know where the Diocese of Tennessee is, you must first look to your local context and the fellowship which connects us to others. Which brings us back again to the heart of the matter that we are engaged in at this Convention, in taking counsel together for the renewal and mission of the church.

This year we will continue the work of gathering feedback from clergy and lay leaders, looking toward the articulation of a vision and goals for the Diocese of Tennessee. The proposed budget supports these efforts. All that I’ve said today is really preface to that work. There are signs of
new life all around us, but there is need for a new focus and a new articulation to guide the diocese in this next part of our life together. Our mission is unchanged, but we need reminding what it’s about. We will need to seek the resources to address the ministry needs we have today. Some of these needs are immediate, but some are longer term, as we dream of new ministries and discover anew the passion we have for ministry. Again, there are signs of new life all round us.

Conclusion.

These are times of patience and faith, with challenge and Gospel hope for the future. Thank you again for all you are doing, to the glory of God and the increase of the Faith. I continue to give thanks for the ministry that was given me three years ago in Tennessee, and I continue to give thanks for all of you who minister to me and make possible this ministry we share. Ministry is a privilege granted by others, and I am grateful to you for calling me. — Bishop John
## Summary of Elections

### The Bishop and Council

**Convocations**
- Northeast Convocation: The Rev. Rob Courtney
- Northwest Convocation: The Rev. David Yancey
- Southwest Convocation: The Rev. Richard Zalesak
- Southeast Convocation: The Rev. Peter Whalen

**At-Large**
- At-Large: The Rev. Robert Abstein
- At-Large: The Rev. Jerry Smith

### The Standing Committee

- Lay Order: Scott Kammerer
- Clergy Order:
  - The Rev. Tom Hotchkiss
  - The Rev. Rick Britton

### The Dandridge Trust Board

- Lay Representative: Deborah “Riffi” O’Brien
- Clergy Representative: The Rev. Cynthia Seifert
Certificate(s) of Elections

163 Ballots

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTIONS

Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee
178th Annual Convention: 1/22/10 – 1/23/10

The Elections Committee hereby certifies the following election results of balloting by the 178th Annual Convention:

BISHOP & COUNCIL AT LARGE

| CLERGY | | |
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| 1. Bob Abstein | 98 |
| 2. Tim Jones | 83 |
| 3. Jerry Smith | 131 |
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STANDING COMMITTEE

| LAY | | |
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| 1. Scott Kammerer | 99 |
| 2. R. Dyer Rodea | 63 |
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| CLERGY | | |
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| 1. Rev. Rick Britton | 76 |
| 2. Rev. Thomas S. Hotchkiss | 88 |
| 3. Rev. Randy Hoover-Dempsey | 76 |
| 4. Rev. Polk Van Zandt | 76 |
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DANDRIDGE TRUST BOARD

| LAY | | |
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| 1. Deborah "Rif" O'Brian | |
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| CLERGY | | |
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| 1. Rev. Cynthia L. Scifert | |
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Vice Chair: Mary Dylan Sparkes
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BISHOP AND COUNSEL ELECTION

SOUTHEAST CONVOCATION

NOMINEES

1. Peter Whelen

2. Linda Hutton

3. __________________________

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Certified: Maria Clyde Sanders

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BISHOP AND COUNSEL ELECTION  
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Bishop’s Nominations to the Convention
January 22, 2010

Officers of the Diocese

Secretary of the Convention: The Rev. C. Randall Dunnavant
Asst. Secretary of the Convention: The Rev. Canon Pamela P. Snare
Asst. Secretary of the Convention: The Rev. Canon Fred Dettwiller
Treasurer of the Diocese: W.A. (Pete) Stringer
Assistant Treasurer: Don Shriver
Chancellor of the Diocese: Gareth S. Aden
Vice-Chancellor of the Diocese: James Ramsey
Vice-Chancellor of the Diocese: Jane B. Stranch
Chancellor Emeritus: David B. Herbert
Registrar of the Diocese: Greg Poole
Parliamentarian: David B. Herbert (appointed)

The Commission on Ministry

Mendy Richards (2013)
Tim Villager (2013)
The Rev. Cynthia Seifert (2013)
The Rev. Michael Spurlock (2013)
The Rev. Michael Murphy (2012)
Ed Arning (2012)
Doug Van Tassell (2012)
The Rev. Marcia King (2011)
The Rev. Reynold (Mickey) Richaud (2011)
Shelley Sircey (2011)
Karen Keele (2011)

Episcopal Appalachian Ministries Board

The Rev. William Barton

St. John’s Church, Ashwood: Board of Directors

President: John C. Porter
Vice President/Secretary: J. Dawson F. Gray
Treasurer: Grady O’Neil Clark
Lawrence Blank-Cook
Edward D. Green
Edward W. Moore
Thomas M. Trabue
Thomas C. Webster

Andrew Donelson Crichton
Connie Gray Hardin
Robert G. Thompson
Allston Vander Horst
The Rev. Richard J. Zalesak
St. John’s Church, Ashwood: Honorary Board of Directors
Mary Long Clark    Edwin Wilkinson Halliday
Max Stephenson    William Howard
The Rev. Thomas S. Wilson    John H. Henderson

DuBose Conference Center Board
Connally Davies Penley (2013)
Susie Ries (2013)

The Ecclesiastical Trial Court
Robert Jordan (2013)
The Rev. James Rogers (2013)
The Rev. Jerry Smith (2013)
The Rev. Rick Britton (2012)
Judy Homan (2012)
Frank Edwards (2012)
The Rev. Canon Anne Stevenson (2011)
Kent Sterling (2011)
The Rev. Thomas Hotchkiss (2011)

Title IV Consultants
(Pursuant to Canon 26)
Raymond Leathers (2011)
The Rev. William H. Hethcock (2011)
Bishop’s Appointments
January 22, 2010

The Standing Committee on Constitutions and Canons
(Pursuant to Canon 9)
Randall Ferguson, Chair (2013)
Joe Brown (2013)
The Rev. Robert Cowperthwaite (2012)
The Rev. Thomas Hotchkiss (2012)
The Rev. Peter Batarseh (2011)
The Rev. Joseph Weatherly (2011)
Thor Urness (2011)

Chancellor Gareth Aden (ex officio)
Vice-Chancellor James Ramsey (ex officio)
Vice-Chancellor Jane B. Stranch (ex officio)

The Standing Committee on the Church Pension Fund
(Pursuant to Canon 11)
L. Jarod Pearson (2011)
Peggy Tucker (2011)
Larry Morphis (2011)
The Rev. Eric Greenwood (2011)
The Rev. Robert Abstein (2011)

Commission on Evangelism
Lynn nore Chittom (2013)
Cathy Link (2013)
Adam Waltenbaugh (2013)
Donna Floyd (2012)
Tommy Barksdale (2012)
Brooks Loomis (2012)
The Rev. Cynthia Seifert, Chair (2011)
The Rev. John Bender (2011)

Commission on Christian Education
Perry Happell (2013)
The Rev. Dr. Linda Hutton (2013)
Rachel Barden (2012)
David L. Rowe, Chair (2011)
The Rev. Monna Mayhall (2011)
Commission on Environmental Stewardship (Living in Creation Ministry)
Emily Jones, Chair
The Rev. Scott James
Sally Palmer
Catherine Gain
Scott Gain
Jeff Rossini
Rick Sommer
Marleen Varner

Architectural Review Commission
Martin Shofner, Chair
Keene Bartley
Denise Bentley
Fletch Coke
Susan Cowperthwaite
The Rev. Rick Greenwood
Edwina Hefner
Allen Hovious
John Lee
James Manning
Vicky Tarleton
Tim Villager

Commission on Stewardship
The Rev. Joseph Ballard, Jr., Chair (2013)

Steering Committee on the Vocational Diaconate
The Rev. Dr. Linda Hutton, Chair
The Rev. Reynold (Mickey) Richaud
The Rev. Dolores Nicholson
Karen Keele

Mid-Cumberland Mountain Ministry (MCMM) Advisory Board
Jeannine (DeDe) Clements, Chair
Marian Ott
Marianne Sanders
Nancy Oliver
Kevin Sweeton
The Rev. William Barton
The Rev. Remington Rose-Crossley
Janice Thomas
John Brewster
Mary Sears

Diocesan Ecumenical Officer
The Rev. Joseph Howard
Resolution #1 - Resolution of Invitation

BE IT RESOLVED that the 178th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee acknowledge and greet in the name of Jesus Christ all seminarians, all religious, the dean and faculty of the School of Theology of the University of the South, the headmaster and faculty of St. Andrew’s-Sewanee School, seminarians and candidates for Holy Orders of this diocese, all retired clergy, and all lay delegates unable to attend this convention, and acknowledges their ministry and service in the Diocese of Tennessee; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all ordained ministers of this church canonically resident in this diocese, officiating under license and in charge of congregations, designated representatives of university chapels and mission stations, and of the Episcopal youth of the diocese be given seat and voice in the deliberations of this convention; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ministers of other communions resident in Middle Tennessee and present at this convention be cordially welcomed by this convention.

Resolution #2 - A Resolution of Gratitude

BE IT RESOLVED that the 178th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee express its heartfelt thanks to the clergy, wardens, vestry and the people of St. George’s Church for hosting this convention and for their gracious hospitality to the clergy and lay delegates of the convention.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the convention expresses its gratitude to the officers and various members of the delegations and convention committees for their diligent work in the preparation of this convention.

Resolution #3 - A Resolution of Greeting and Welcome

BE IT RESOLVED that the 178th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee welcome and greet the Right Reverend William Sanders, 8th Bishop of Tennessee. We also greet and welcome his wife and partner in ministry, Marlin.

BE IT RESOLVED that the 178th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee welcome and greet the Right Reverend Bertram Herlong, 10th Bishop of Tennessee. We also greet and welcome his wife and partner in ministry, Vickie.

BE IT RESOLVED that the 178th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee welcome and greet the Right Reverend Alfredo Morante, Bishop of Litoral, Ecuador. We also greet and welcome his wife and partner in ministry, Olge.

BE IT RESOLVED that the 178th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee welcome and greet the Right Reverend Gregory Kerr-Wilson, 11th Bishop of Qu’Appelle, of the Anglican Church of Canada.
Resolutions Submitted Forty-Five Days Prior to Convention (Canon 1, Sec. 9)

As amended and passed by the 178th Annual Convention

Resolution for A Calling of Churches to Celebrate an Annual Rogation Sunday during Eastertide.

Submitted by: Rick Sommer, delegate, Otey Memorial Parish Sewanee, member of Living in Creation Ministry, and the Rev. Anne Fraley, delegate, Church of the Epiphany Lebanon, former member of Living in Creation Ministry.

Whereas: there is a need for the Church to acknowledge God’s command for us to be good stewards of Creation, with clergy and laity working together to sustain nature and ecosystems for future generations;

Whereas: the 76th General Convention of the Episcopal Church has passed nine resolutions regarding a variety of calls to reflection, education and action on environmental stewardship;

Whereas: the Diocese of Tennessee recognized by Resolution at the 170th Annual Convention the importance of being good stewards of God’s creation; conserving energy, using renewable resources in institutions, and having resources available in church and homes for reflection, education and action in the diocese;

Whereas: the Diocese under the direction of Bishop John Bauerschmidt formed an environmental commission called the Living in Creation Ministry with the mission to engage the Body of Christ in transforming our relationship with God’s Creation;

Be it therefore resolved: that parish clergy be encouraged to plan a Rogation Sunday celebration during a Sunday in Eastertide with the purpose of honoring God for the gift of creation, highlighting our roles as Christians in the stewardship of God’s creation, and asking for God’s blessing for a fruitful and healthy earth for all people.

Resolution To Support Episcopal Relief and Development Through Pura Vida Coffee

Submitted by: Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany Lebanon.

Whereas: we are to be the light to the world, always searching for ways to relieve suffering and taking the love of Christ to the world; and

Whereas: the world economic slowdown has caused increased difficulty to increase giving by conventional means, as children of God we should always seek every opportunity to succeed for Christ;

Whereas: our parishes are filled with hospitable and friendly people, inviting families and visitors into our fellowship; and

Whereas: Pura Vida partners with Episcopal Relief and Development to produce Bishops Blend Coffee and Teas, sells fair trade products that not only taste good, but are also grown according to sustainable practices; and

Whereas: the Episcopal Church’s unique partnership with Pura Vida yields 15% of all profits from the sale of Bishops Blend coffee and teas to support Episcopal Relief and Development projects around the world;

Be it therefore resolved: that the 178th Annual Convention encourage our Diocesan office to serve Bishops Blend Coffees and Teas to its visitors and guests in support of Episcopal Relief and Development programs;
Be it further resolved: that every Parish and Mission be encouraged to join with the Diocesan Office in this act of hospitality and service.

Resolution To Conclude the Companion Relationship with the Diocese of Litoral (Ecuador)

Submitted by: Bruce Faltnestock, delegate, St. Mark’s Church Antioch

Whereas: the 166th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee jointly resolved to establish a Companion Diocese relationship with the Episcopal Diocese of Litoral (Ecuador); and

Whereas: the 177th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee resolved to renew the Companion Diocese relationship for one year with the Episcopal Diocese of Litoral (Ecuador) and directed the Companion Diocese Committee to conduct a continuous evaluation process during the renewal period; and,

Whereas: the Companion Diocese Committee conducted the evaluation and recommends:

1. that the formal relationship be concluded on a diocesan level,
2. that the conclusion of this relationship be celebrated with a liturgy of thanksgiving and recognition of the many blessings that have come to people in both dioceses as a result of this relationship;
3. that relationships between churches in Tennessee and churches in Litoral (Companion Churches), and the Medical Mission can and should continue as long as those relationships are productive and satisfying for those churches and Medical Mission participants and are accepted by both bishops.

Be it therefore resolved: that the Diocese of Tennessee accept the recommendation of the Companion Diocese Committee. To implement this resolution,

Be it further resolved that:

• A copy of this resolution shall be given to the Bishop of the Diocese of Litoral (Ecuador) and to the Partnership Services Officer of Anglican and Global Relations at the Episcopal Church Center.
• The 178th Annual Convention shall include a Liturgy of Thanksgiving and time to recognize and celebrate highlights of this Companion relationship over the past 12 years.
• The Companion Diocese Committee is directed to continue to assist and coordinate various activities for the Medical Missions, Companion churches and relationships in the Diocese of Tennessee and the Diocese of Litoral.

Resolution To Initiate a Search Process for a New Companion Diocese Relationship

Submitted by: Bruce Faltnestock, delegate, St. Mark’s Church Antioch

Whereas: the 166th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee jointly resolved to establish a Companion Diocese relationship with the Episcopal Diocese of Litoral (Ecuador); and
Whereas: the Companion relationship which existed from 1997 through 2009 was beneficial and fruitful for the Diocese of Tennessee and our Companion Diocese of Litoral and helped fulfill part of the mission of the Diocese of Tennessee; and,

Whereas: the Companion Diocese Committee recommends the development of a new Companion Diocese relationship;

Be it therefore resolved: that the Companion Diocese Committee is directed to make recommendations to the 179th Annual Convention for a new Companion Diocese relationship. To implement this resolution,

Be it further resolved that:

- The Companion Diocese Committee is directed to develop criteria for a new Companion Diocese relationship and explore and evaluate possible candidates.
- The Companion Diocese Committee shall prepare a report to be submitted to the 179th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee. This may include a resolution for review and approval of the Convention.
Late Resolutions Submitted to Convention (Canon 1, Sec. 9)
As amended and passed by the 178th Annual Convention

Resolution For Amending Canon 6 Section 6 to Allow the Bishop and Council to Fill Vacancies

Submitted by: Bishop and Council of the Diocese of Tennessee

Whereas: Canon 6 generally provides that six Clergy and Six Laypersons shall be elected to the Bishop and Council, with each elected to serve for a term of two years, and eligible for re-election to a second term;

Whereas: eight of these members shall be elected by the missionary convocations in the manner set forth in Canon 6;

Whereas: Canon 6 Section 6 states that “[i]n the event of a vacancy occurring during a member’s term, the body electing the vacating member shall elect a person to fill the unexpired term;” and

Whereas: vacancies have occurred where missionary convocations have not filled the vacancies through elections between Annual Conventions and thus impacting full representation on the Bishop and Council and the abilities of the Council to obtain a quorum to conduct its duties and responsibilities,

Be it therefore resolved: that Canon 6 Section 6 is hereby amended by deleting the current provision cited above in its entirety and replacing the provision with the following:

Section 6.

(a) If a vacancy occurs because of a member’s resignation, death, incapacity or inability to serve, the vacancy shall be filled with a new member (who shall be a Communicant in Good Standing) elected by a majority vote of the Council. If the vacating member was elected by a missionary convocation, the Council shall elect the new member from the same missionary convocation.

(b) The newly elected member shall serve until the next Annual Convention. If the vacancy filled by the Council is for a term not expiring at the next Annual Convention, a new election for the remaining term shall be held at the Annual Convention by the body that elected the vacating member. Any member elected by the Council to fill an unexpired term between Annual Conventions is eligible for re-election to serve the remaining term.

(c) Any member elected by the Council or at an Annual Convention to fill a remaining term is eligible for re-election to one succeeding full term. A member will be ineligible for re-election for one year after the completion of the remaining term and one additional full term.
Resolution Concerning Voice for the Chancellor Emeritus

Submitted by: Bishop and Council of the Diocese of Tennessee

Whereas: the position of Chancellor Emeritus for the Diocese is an honored position that carries a wealth of experience and judgment that is valuable to the Councils of the Diocese and the Annual Convention.

Be it therefore resolved: that Canon 1 Section 6 is hereby amended by adding “Chancellor Emeritus” as an ex officio position with voice, but no vote, at the Annual Conventions of the Diocese.

Resolution for Camp Gailor-Maxon


Whereas: the Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee is committed to its ministry to children, youth and young adults; and

Whereas: Camp Gailor-Maxon is an Episcopal community of faith where young people worship together as they experience God’s love and explore God’s creation; and

Whereas: Camp Gailor-Maxon, though its program of daily worship, music, outdoor activities, community service, and discussion, offers young people a safe, inquiring community of faith, a sense of the larger church, and a chance to make lifetime friendships; and

Whereas: Camp Gailor-Maxon has been a deeply meaningful and formative experience for Episcopal youth in Tennessee for three generations, and many Camp Gailor-Maxon alumni/ae are active in leadership roles throughout the church as clergy and laity;

Be it therefore resolved: by the 178th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee that we support and encourage the mission and ministry of Camp Gailor-Maxon; and

Be it further resolved: that we encourage the clergy of the Diocese to commend Camp Gailor-Maxon to children and youth and their parents; and

Be it further resolved: that we encourage the youth of the Diocese of Tennessee to participate in Camp Gailor-Maxon.

Resolution to adopt the Charter for Lifelong Christian Formation

Submitted by: The Vestry of St. Paul’s Church Murfreesboro and the Vestry of St. Paul’s Church Franklin

Whereas: our Lord Jesus commissioned and requires his Church to “make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you,” and
Whereas: the 76th General Convention of the Episcopal Church has adopted The Charter for Lifelong Christian Formation and has affirmed that “Christian Faith Formation in the Episcopal Church is a lifelong journey with Christ, in Christ and to Christ” (resolution A082); and
Whereas: the 76th General Convention “urge[s] each diocese to read and study the Charter for Lifelong Christian Formation and to live it out locally” (resolution A083)’ and Whereas: the Diocese of Tennessee, through the leadership of its Bishops and Annual Conventions, has created the Commission on Christian Education and sustained its work though the years both monetarily and spiritually; and
Whereas: the Commission on Christian Formation’s mission is “to serve our congregations by equipping, supporting, and encouraging them as they communicate the Gospel of Jesus Christ to their members;” now
Be it therefore resolved: that the 178th Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee adopts the Charter for Lifelong Christian Formation as the conceptual and spiritual foundation for the understanding the role of Christian formation in the Diocese of Tennessee and instructs the Commission for Christian Education to make the Charter for Lifelong Christian Formation available to every congregation in the Diocese; and
Be it further resolved: that the 178th Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee instructs the Commission for Christian Formation to study methods and resources and to develop strategies for implementing the charter’s goals throughout the Diocese.

Resolution on the unification of St. Francis’ Church, Goodlettsville and St. Joseph of Arimathea, Hendersonville into a single parish

Submitted by: The Mission Council of St. Francis Church, Goodlettsville and the Vestry of St. Joseph of Arimathea, Hendersonville

Whereas: St. Francis’ Church, Goodlettsville is a Diocesan Mission under Canon 18 of the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Tennessee, with a duly elected Senior Warden, Junior Warden and Mission Council;
Whereas: St. Joseph’s of Arimathea, Hendersonville is an existing parish within the Diocese with a duly elected Senior Warden, Junior Warden and Vestry;
Whereas: the duly elected Senior Warden, Junior Warden and Mission Council of St. Francis’, Goodlettsville and the duly elected Senior Warden, Junior Warden and Vestry of St. Joseph of Arimathea have mutually agreed and formally approved a unification of the Mission and Parish;
Whereas: Canon 15.2 of the Constitution and Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee provides that “With the approval of the Annual Convention, and of the Bishop, two congregations may unite as a single Parish; and
Whereas, the Senior Warden, Junior Warden and Mission Council of St. Francis’ Church and the Senior Warden, Junior Warden and Vestry of St. Joseph of Arimathea jointly request that the Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt, Bishop of Tennessee and this 178th Convention of the Diocese approve the unification of these congregations into one parish, which will continue to be known as St. Joseph of Arimathea, Hendersonville;
Be it therefore resolved: that this Convention approves the unification of the congregations of St. Francis’ Church, Goodlettsville and St. Joseph of Arimathea, Hendersonville as a single Parish, which will continue as St. Joseph of Arimathea, Hendersonville.

Resolution to the 178th Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee on Diocesan Study of “The Anglican Communion Covenant”

Submitted by: The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Tennessee: The Rev. R. Leigh Spruill, President, the Rev. Stu Phillips, Dr. David L. Rowe, the Rev. C. Randall Dunnavant, the Rev. Vicki Burgess

Whereas: the 76th General Convention of the Episcopal Church in Resolution D020 commended *The Anglican Communion Covenant* to dioceses for study and comment; and

Whereas: the Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, commended *The Anglican Communion Covenant* upon its release on December 17, 2009, by stating: “what we need is something that will help us know where we stand together, and help us also intensify our fellowship and our trust. The covenant text sets out the basis on which the Anglican family works and prays and lives and hopes;”

Be it therefore resolved: that this 178th Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee commends to all clergy, vestries, mission councils, annual convention delegates, delegates to Province IV, General Convention deputies, parishes, missions and chapels of the diocese, the prayerful study of *The Anglican Communion Covenant* (http://www.anglicancommunion.org/commission/covenant/final/text.cfm) during the calendar year 2010; and

Be it further resolved: that the Bishop be asked to form a “Committee on The Anglican Covenant” of clergy and lay communicants from the Diocese of Tennessee

- to collect, formulate, and distribute materials designed to facilitate the study of *The Anglican Communion Covenant*;
- to receive any and all responses to this resolution; and
- to report the results of the Diocesan-wide study to the 179th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee; and

Be it further resolved: that each parish, mission and chapel of the Diocese be encouraged to submit a written report to the Bishop’s “Committee on the Anglican Covenant” containing the results of each congregation’s study by October 15, 2010; and

Be it further resolved: that all delegates and officers of this Convention commit themselves to pray for the mission and ministry of all Provinces in the Anglican Communion and especially for those persons in the life of this Diocese and the Episcopal Church who will be responsible for making decisions about *The Anglican Communion Covenant*. 
Resolution to Ratify Budget Decision of the B&C During 2009

The 177th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee convened at Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville, on January 23-24, 2009, and approved an annual budget for the Diocese of Tennessee.

During the year 2009 the wisdom of the Bishop and Council and the circumstances of the times required that certain items of the budget be exceeded for the operation and ministry of the Diocese of Tennessee. Canon 2, Section 2(b) of the Canons of the Diocese of Tennessee requires that the Annual Convention approve the budget of the Diocese.

The Treasurer’s Financial Statements included in the convention booklet for the 178th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee accurately reflect all detailed reports of disbursements over and under the budget for the year 2009, and reflect the faithful judgments and intentions of the Bishop and Council and the Treasurer in performing under this budget.

Therefore be it resolved that all of the actions of the Bishop and Council in authorizing disbursements above certain line items in the 2009 budget as approved by their various actions during 2009 be and are hereby ratified by this 178th Annual Convention as authorized and approved.

The actions authorized and approved by this 178th Annual Convention are as follows:

January 23, 2009

• Approval to amend the budget to reflect an allocation of $45,000 from Volunteers for Mission to be used for mission support.
• Approval of a short term promissory note of $25,000 for the Rev. Polk Van Zandt. The promissory note is a bridge loan to assist with buying a home while awaiting the sale of his previous home.

October 31, 2009

• Approval to move $30,000 of St. Augustine’s Chapel Fund into a CD.
• Approval to hire a paralegal for $2,500 to complete a title research on property within the Diocese of Tennessee.
• Approval of a mortgage loan of $6,000 for Rev. Angelo Wildgoose. The motion was withdrawn on December 12, 2009.

December 12, 2009

• Approval of a $20,000 expenditure for a contract to employ Kathy Tompkins and Associates to conduct a feasibility study for development.
Resolution to Ratify Real Estate Transactions of the B&C During 2009
as related to Canon 10

Be it resolved that all of the actions of the Bishop and Council since the 177th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee under the provisions of Canon 10 and as reported to the 178th Annual Convention affecting title to and property of the Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee or its constituent congregations, be approved and ratified and made the official action of this 178th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee, as follows:

May 30, 2009
- Acceptance of an offer of $20,000 from Matthew Walker Comprehensive Health Center, Inc. (MWCHC) for 1311 and 1313 Jefferson Street, Nashville. The properties were part of the bequest from the Martha Ruddock Estate to the diocese as trustee on behalf of Holy Trinity Church, Nashville.
- Approval of the terms of the refinancing of the loan for Church of the Resurrection.
- St. James’ Church, Dickson requested approval to purchase land on Highway 96, Dickson, TN 37055, tax id# 111019.01. After review, the Bishop and Council denied the property at their meeting on December 12, 2009.

August 29, 2009
- Approval of the execution of a Quitclaim Deed for property at 409 Patterson Street, Memphis, TN 38111, that is owned by the Diocese of West Tennessee.
- Approval for the Chancellor to sign a plat which identifies a right-of-way dedication originally approved in 1999 for All Saints’ Church, at 1401 Lee Victory Parkway, Smyrna.
- Approval of the renewal of the lease agreement for St. Francis’ Church, Goodlettsville 812 Meadowlark Lane, Goodlettsville, TN 37072.
- Approval of the terms outlined in the commitment letter of August 24, 2009 from SunTrust regarding the refinancing of Church of the Holy Spirit, Nashville

October 31, 2009
- Approval to sign a Guaranty for the refinancing of the loan for Church of the Holy Spirit, Nashville with a principal amount of $802,234.
- Approval for St. Michael’s Church, Cookeville to sell residential property at 1120 Glenwood Drive, Cookeville, TN 38501. The action was previously approved by the Bishop and Council in 2007, but St. Michael’s Church was unable to complete the sale.
- Approval to renew the lease agreement for the Diocesan Office at 50 Vantage Way, Suite 107, Nashville, TN 37228, with Ghertner & Company.

December 12, 2009
- Nomination and Appointment of Robert S. Burns to replace James Stephens as Trustee in the Deed of Trust, recorded in the Register’s Office of Grundy County, TN, Book 75A, page 216 for Mid-Cumberland Mountain Ministry
- Ratification of the release of a superseded MCMN Deed of Trust recorded at Book 67A, pages 33-37, Register's Office of Grundy County, TN
Reports to the
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**Bishop’s Report for the Year 2009**
The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt
11th Bishop of Tennessee

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Report of the Bishop and Council

Per excerpts from the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Tennessee, Bishop & Council “shall have and exercise all powers of the Convention between meetings of the Convention, provided it may not (a) elect a Bishop, (b) amend the Constitution or Canons, (c) take any action contrary to actions taken by the Convention, or (d) elect any canonical officers of the Diocese.”

“The policies of the Diocese as determined by The Bishop and Council shall be implemented by the Bishop and the Departments. Any program initiative in the several Departments shall be consonant with the policies of the Diocese. The Council shall provide for the organization of the program and the work of the Diocese.”

“The Council shall see to the administration and disbursement of funds of the Diocese as it deems advisable, consistent with such budget as may be adopted by the Convention. It shall prepare and submit to the Convention an annual budget to carry out the program and work of the Diocese, for the support of the Episcopate, for Diocesan Administration, and for support of the General Church. It shall fix the compensation and allowances of all persons paid from Diocesan funds, subject only to change by the Convention.”

At the close of business in 2009, the terms of the Rev. Peter Batarseh (At-large), the Rev. Robin Courtney, Jr. (NEMC), the Rev. Dorothy Hartzog (NWMC), the Rev. Joseph Marek (SEMC) resigned, the Rev. William (Doc) Martin (SWMC), and the Rev. Patrick Soule (At-large), ended. The Revs. Joseph Marek and Patrick Soule accepted calls outside the diocese, thus creating those vacancies during their terms.

During the course of the year, the B & C executed the budget of the 2009 convention as charged.

We also dealt with a wide variety of business matters ranging from budget oversight, bank loan(s) coordination, property purchases and sales, mission(s) administration, insurance bids, and fundraising/development leadership, among others.

We continue to be blessed with the services of our Architectural Review Commission, chaired by Martin Shofner, which serves on matters dealing with property and/or building issues in the diocese.

In addition, the B & C relies upon the (non-voting) talents of Treasurer Pete Stringer, Assistant Treasurer Don Shriver, CFO Jan Pate, Chancellor Gareth Aden, Vice-Chancellor Jim Ramsey, Chancellor Emeritus David Herbert, among others, in making its decisions.

Our minutes are public record and are available at the diocesan office. Reports regarding Canon 6 and Canon 10 are in the Convention materials available to all.

The members of the 2009 Bishop & Council were:

- **Ed Arning**
  St. Paul’s, Murfreesboro

- **The Rev. Peter Batarseh**
  Church of the Good Samaritan, Franklin

- **The Rev. Rob Courtney**
  Church of St. James the Less, Madison

- **Tom Hardin**
  St. Ann’s, Nashville

- **The Rev. Dorothy Hartzog**
  Trinity, Clarksville

- **Edwina Hefner**
  Holy Trinity, Nashville

- **Susan Huggins**
  St. David’s, Nashville

- **The Rev. Joseph Marek**
  St. Matthew’s, McMinnville

- **The Rev. William “Doc” Martin**
  Grace Church, Spring Hill

- **Burns Rogers**
  St. Paul’s, Franklin

- **The Rev. Patrick Soule**
  St. Philip’s, Nashville

- **Mary Clyde Sparks**
  Advent, Nashville

Submitted by Ed Arning, Bishop and Council member, Secretary of the Diocese
Report of the Canon for Finance, Administration & Development

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist—5
Attendance at Major Meetings:
1 Diocesan Convention
3 Ordinations
Bishop and Council meetings

Responsibilities:

I continue to monitor Construction projects. I serve as staff liaison to the Insurance Committees and the Property and Finance Committee. I was the project coordinator for the visit by the Presiding Bishop. I am the Diocesan Coordinator for the Disaster Preparedness and Relief and am working on plans for the Annual Province IV meeting which our Diocese will host this year in August.

Submitted by The Rev. Canon Fred Dettwiller
Report of the Canon to the Ordinary

As Canon to the Ordinary, I serve as the Transitions Officer and Ordination Officer for the Diocese of Tennessee. As Transition Officer, I met with vestries, mission councils, and search committees who were seeking to fill clergy vacancies, including the STEM Council (Christ Church, Alto, and Holy Comforter, Monteagle); the Mission Council of St. Matthew’s Church, McMinnville; the vestry of Holy Trinity Church, Nashville; the vestry and search committee at St. Mary Magdalene’s Church, Fayetteville; the vestry at Church of the Messiah, Pulaski; the vestry of Trinity Church, Winchester; and the vestry of St. Joseph of Arimathea Church, Hendersonville. I also participated in the Province IV Transitions Officers’ meetings, May 10-12 in New Orleans, Louisiana, and November 29-December 1 in Birmingham, Alabama. As Ordination Officer, I reported all changes in clergy status to the Church Pension Group, such as ordinations to the diaconate and the priesthood, changes in canonical residence, and clergy deaths.

I sent out, received, and confirmed online the 2008 parochial reports. I served as an *ex officio* member of the Bishop and Council; as Bishop Bauerschmidt’s liaison with the Commission on Ministry, the Vocational Diaconate Steering Committee, and the Architectural Review Committee. I am a member of the Cathedral Chapter, the Finance and Property Committee, the Health Care/Hospitalization Committee, and the Property/Casualty Committee. I attended meetings of the Clericus, and of the 2009 General Convention Deputation, as well as the 2009 General Convention in Anaheim, California July 6-18.

As a priest of this Church, I celebrated eleven eucharists, assisted the bishop at the Easter Vigil, the 8:30am Easter Sunday eucharist, and the 11pm Christmas eucharist, all at Christ Church Cathedral. I also assisted at the diocesan diaconal ordinations of the Rev’d William Dennler, the Rev’d William Barton, and the Rev’d Michael Hurst; the ordinations to the priesthood of the Rev. William Barton and the Rev’d William Dennler, and the installations of the Rev’d Angelo Wildgoose, the Rev’d Richard Zalesak, and the Very Rev’d Timothy Kimbrough. I attended festal Evensong of the Diocesan Chorister’s Festival at Christ Church Cathedral; preached at the appointment of new lay leaders’ service at Church of the Holy Spirit, Nashville; and assisted at the two Eucharist (one at Christ Church Cathedral and one at St. Ann’s, Nashville) during the Presiding Bishop’s visit to the diocese in June.

March 13-15, I led a retreat on the Rule of St. Benedict at St. Mary’s Sewanee, and also led the Maundy Thursday Quiet Day for the School of Theology at Sewanee.

I coordinated and assisted the bishop with four clergy small group overnight gatherings at DuBose Conference Center and St. Mary’s Sewanee, and the Bishop’s Day with the Clergy at St. Paul’s Murfreesboro in May, as well as the first Annual Clergy Retreat February 2-5, 2009 at St. Mary’s Sewanee.

With the Rev’d Molly Dale Smith, I facilitated the Fresh Start program, which builds collegial relationships among clergy and addresses issues of transition for clergy new to the diocese, newly ordained clergy, and clergy in new cures. The 2009 Fresh Start participants were the Rev’d Joseph Ballard, the Rev’d John Bender, the Rev’d Rick Britton, the Rev’d Joseph Davis, the Rev’d Bill Dalglish, the Rev’d Anne Fraley, the Rev’d Gene Manning, the Rev’d Polk Van Zandt, the Rev’d Angelo Wildgoose, the Rev’d Richard Zalesak, and the Rev’d Jill Zook-Jones. Fresh Start meet me the second Tuesday of the month February-May 2009 and September 2009-January 2010 at St. George’s Church, Nashville.

I worked with St. George’s in planning the 2010 Annual Convention, and was responsible for the convention mailings, as well as for the 2009 Convention Journal. I served as Assistant Secretary of Convention and worked with our CFO, Jan Pate, and the Finance and Property Committee in preparing the 2010 draft diocesan budget.

The Reverend Pamela Snare

Canon to the Ordinary
Report of the Chancellor

The Chancellor and Vice-Chancellors are pleased to report a busy and fruitful year in the following tasks:

1. Conferring with Bishop Bauerschmidt and officers and clergy leaders in the Diocese concerning legal issues.

2. Assisting with loan closings involving the Diocese and helping negotiate the sale of Diocese property. Working with sister Diocese to insure proper title to diocese properties following the split of dioceses.

3. Attending Bishop & Council meetings and meetings of other Diocese committees and related councils and entities.

4. Working with missions on issues of the purchase of property or concerning rights to existing property of the Diocese. Working with Diocese ministries on issues of Diocese oversight and approval of action.

5. Consulting with Diocese and mission officers on insurance issues, as well as issues of planned giving.

6. Conferring with clergy and lay leadership of parishes and missions on questions concerning canon law.

7. Meeting with parishes and parish leadership to try to negotiate resolution of issues with the diocese and the larger church. Working with the Bishop, the Bishop & Council and special counsel concerning issues of parish participation and property rights.

8. Assist in civil litigation defense for Diocese related entities.

9. Confer and coordinate with the Diocese financial officers on pending financial/legal issues.

10. Attend Province Conferences for Bishops and Chancellors.

Gareth S. Aden, Chancellor
Jane B. Stranch, Vice Chancellor
James G. Ramsey, Vice Chancellor
Report of the Chaplain to Retired Clergy

During 2009, I mailed greetings from Bishop Bauerschmidt and myself to retirees on the anniversaries of their birth, weddings and ordinations. There are 150.

In mid-summer and Christmastide, I telephoned our 93 households.

When notified of the need, I made sick calls in homes and hospitals.

I made shut-in house calls with flowers for a few homebound and ill.

Holy Communion is administered to a widow once a month.

A few who live alone are taken to lunch.

Arrangements were made for the Bishop’s annual luncheon to honor our retirees at DoubleTree Hotel in Murfreesboro. 39 attended.

My wife and I attended the Provincial Conference for Chaplains in Raleigh NC. This event was financed by the Church Pension Group.

The expenses of this ministry included auto mileage, lunches, flowers, stationery, postage, office supplies for a total of $659.

All expenses except for telephone calls, are deducted from the annual stipend in the diocesan budget of $2520. The resulted in a net personal income of $155 per month.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas M. Hutson
The mission of the Commission on Christian Education is “to serve our congregations by equipping, supporting, and encouraging them as they communicate the Gospel of Jesus Christ to their members.” The strategy we use is to “communicate with all churches of the Diocese in matters relating to Christian education,” to “act as source of knowledge with regards to educational resources, and offer curriculum training and educational seminars,” and to “provide funding to churches or persons in the diocese seeking to implement Christian education programs.”

In 2009 the Commission continued a long-standing process of discerning the proper way to accomplish all this for the in the Diocese of Tennessee. In the past we have identified several areas of service including consulting with congregations, making resources available to the diocese through a book room at the Diocesan headquarters, planning and executing workshops for exploring methods and resources for Christian education. This year we began exploring an approach that was new in several ways.

1. We began thinking of our ministry field not simply as Christian education but more holistically as Christian formation.

2. We decentralized our work, holding meetings and workshops outside of Nashville to reach the largest number of parishes and missions and those worshiping in small congregations.

3. Rather than our discerning needs of congregations and trying to meet them, we have gathered Christian education and formation workers together in convocations to tell us what their needs are. This required creating a database of contacts including all the Christian education/formation leaders and workers we could identify as well as interested parishioners. Our database is now large and up-to-date, and it is primarily through this database that we are communicating with workers and ministers throughout the diocese. The Commission has also created a Facebook group and invited all these people to join it. We will maintain this effort as we move into next year.

4. We offered a “Share the Word” workshop to explore curriculum opportunities and to share methods for recruiting lay workers in Christian education.

5. We have offered funding to agencies and congregations that needed seed money to kick off Christian formation programs or activities. Three congregations have requested and, so far, one has received financial support for its Godly Play program.

6. We have not sought to spend money on our own programs but rather to create opportunities for conversation and exploration that do not cost the diocese resources. Therefore, we have spent very little of the $8000 allocated to us in this year’s budget and have subsequently cut our request the for next fiscal year by 50%.
Goals for 2010

1. The focus of your planning this year will be to create a strategy for implementing the Charter for Lifelong Christian Formation adopted by the 2009 General Convention. We will include voices from the congregations and all areas of Christian formation from nursery to adult formation.

2. We will hold two “Share the Word” workshops. The focus of our Spring gathering will be training and encouraging lay workers for Christian education/formation. In the Fall we will explore opportunities for adult Christian formation. Both will be day-long events held in a church to minimize costs to the diocese and to the participants.

3. We will continue to consult with congregations as needed, and we hope to make a small fund of money available for seed projects for congregations and programs that are focused on developing Christian formation programs and approaches.

Respectfully submitted,
David Rowe, Commission Chair
Report of the Commission on Ministry

The Commission on Ministry “shall advise and assist the Bishop” in the implementation of the Canons of the Church concerning Ministry, “in the determination of present and future opportunities and needs for the ministry of all baptized persons,” and “in the design and oversight of the ongoing process for recruitment, discernment, formation for ministry, and assessment of readiness thereof” (Constitution and Canon of the Episcopal Church).

The members of the 2009 COM were:

Ed Arning, Chairman  
St. Paul’s, Murfreesboro

Karen Keele  
Otey Memorial, Sewanee

The Rev. Marcia King  
St. George’s, Nashville

The Rev. Michael Murphy  
St. Barnabas’, Tullahoma

Dr. Mendy Richards  
St. Michael’s, Cookeville

The Rev. Mickey Richaud  
Trinity, Clarksville

The Rev. Cynthia Seeliger Seifert  
Good Shepherd, Brentwood

Shelley Sircy  
St. Francis, Goodlettsville

The Rev. Michael Spurlock  
All Saints, Smyrna

Doug Van Tassell  
Epiphany, Lebanon

Tim Villager  
St. Bartholomew’s, Nashville


We concluded 2009 with six (6) people in varying stages of seminary studies and five (5) Aspirants being sent to the Bishop for consideration and exams. In addition, we have one person waiting for the Vocational Deaconate program to be finalized.

The 2010 COM will begin the year with three (3) people, as of this writing, who will enter the Vocational Discernment process soon.

As the Commission moves into 2010, it hopes the clergy and lay people of the Diocese will continue to raise up future leaders for the ministry of the Church.

Ed Arning, 2009 Chairman,  
Submitted: December 31, 2009
Workshops entitled "Gifts and Talents for the Ministry of All Baptized Persons" help us to discover and affirm the spiritual gifts we received at baptism and to employ them as our essential equipment for the personal ministries to which each of us is called by Jesus Christ.

In 2009, Workshops were held at St. George’s, Nashville, and St. Paul’s, Murfreesboro. Three requests for information about the Workshop were also received and responded to, one from a former Workshop participant of this Diocese now retired in another state and interested in starting Workshops in his parish.

Since 1982 these Workshops have brought together all sorts of persons---active, curious, teens, seniors, occasional church-attendees, estranged, intellectual, non-intellectual---into an experience which (1) affirms each person's value as a child of God; (2) gives a sense of direction, grounding, meaning and purpose to one's life; and (3) helps participants to discern their gifts, then use them in their unique ministries to continue the work of Jesus Christ. Special attention was directed to inviting new adult confirmands to translate the empowerment of their confirmations into ministries consistent with their gifts.

Mr. Seawell Brandau maintains the stock of manuals and arranges their mailing and the deposit of funds that recover the cost of printing and mailing (a revolving fund). Thus there is no cost to the Diocese. No new expenditures were made in 2007 and no funds were requested for 2008.

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Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Paul Teschan
The highlights of 2009 derive from involvement by people from the Diocese of Tennessee participating in short-term mission trips, and supporting various projects with their companion churches in the Diocese of Litoral in Ecuador. Seventy-five people were directly involved in medical clinics, teaching, work, and visitation. This represented a cash investment of about $90,000 by these individuals and or sponsors. Additionally, many more people were involved through collection of medicines, eyeglasses, and supplies, contributions for clinics, letters, fund raising, etc. Companion churches, medical clinics (and other, diocesan projects) have been funded by contributions greater than $24,000. Overall, the contributions and investment by individuals represents a “return” of more than 1,300% on the investment from the Diocesan budget.

The Companion Diocese Committee was charged in 2009 to review and evaluate the Companion relationship with the Diocese of Litoral. Based on its evaluation, the Committee submitted draft resolutions to the 178th Annual Convention which proposed:

1) that the formal relationship be concluded on a diocesan level,
2) that the conclusion of this relationship be celebrated with a liturgy of thanksgiving and recognition of the many blessings that have come to people in both dioceses as a result of this relationship (these activities have been planned for the 178th Annual Convention),
3) that relationships between churches in Tennessee and churches in Litoral (Companion Churches), and the Medical Mission can and should continue as long as those relationships are productive and satisfying for those churches and Medical Mission participants and are accepted by both Bishops. Additionally, the Committee should continue to assist and coordinate various activities for the Medical Missions, Companion churches and relationships in the Diocese of Tennessee and the Diocese of Litoral.

The Committee also recommended that the Medical Mission Team continue to conduct at least one Medical Mission each year. The continuation of that program was not dependent on the existence of a Companion Diocese relationship. If a new Companion Diocese relationship is created, then the Medical Mission Team would have the freedom to conduct their work in that new location – as practical. This decision was made so that the pool of experience would not be diverted or lost during this time of transition.

The real measures of success are the changes in people’s lives: the people treated in clinics, letter exchanges between “prayer partners”, sharing worship, experiences and concerns, etc. These changes happen for people in Litoral and in Tennessee. Overall, this represents a prospect of hope for Episcopalians in Litoral and our response to their feeling of isolation expressed to us at the beginning of our Companion relationship in 1997. The following are highlights of activities in 2009:

- Eight active “Companion” or “Sister” church relationships exist between congregations in Tennessee and Ecuador. This is a decrease from earlier numbers that represented churches that entered into Companion relationships. We have learned from experience that a key step in this process is that people from the church in Tennessee visit their prospective Companion in Litoral. This does not guarantee success, but the current “active” relationships all depend on that kind of contact.
• The Rt. Rev. Alfredo Morante attended the 177th Annual Diocesan Convention as a guest of the Diocese of Tennessee. He also visited St. Joseph of Arimathea in our diocese.
• The Rev. Mariana Loor was a guest of St. Marks (Antioch) in June, and she visited Church of the Good Shepherd, Church of the Messiah, the Living in Creation committee meeting (Diocese of Tennessee), the Trinity Church Hispanic ministry, and St. Lukes.
• A group of 30 students from St. Augustine’s used their Spring break time for a mission trip to Litoral and work at the Ann Stevens Memorial day care center and school at San Eduardo. Their projects are completely funded by people of that congregation and by various fund raising activities.
• Under the Medical Missions Team, a group of doctors, nurses, and assistants conducted clinics for one week in July at sites in or near Guayaquil. This team treated 1,294 people at 4 locations, which also included 446 people examined and fitted with reading glasses.
• Dr. Bob Thompson led the medical clinics assisted by Ginger and Dale Ensor of St. Michaels (Cookeville) and Judy and Gene Hines of the Church of the Messiah (Pulaski). We are grateful to them for stepping forward to fill this important role.
• Bishop Bauerschmidt visited Litoral in July and observed and participated during part of the Medical Clinic work along with Bishop Morante.
• Fourteen people were each assisted with up to $300.00 travel expenses (about 20% of a typical one-week trip). The decrease of travel scholarship assistance and numbers was due to overall budget cuts.
• The Church of the Good Shepherd applied for a UTO grant for $7,022 for developing a “Center for English Language Studies” at their companion church, San Jose Obrero in Manta. The UTO approved this grant in August 2009, and the work will be launched this spring.
• $7,150 was spent from the budget of $7,150 approved for 2009. Most of this money (about 77%) is used for travel assistance for people from the USA. None of the money allocated by the Diocese of Tennessee from its annual budget is given to the Diocese of Litoral.
• Over $7,000 was spent from the Overseas Evangelism (Ecuador) account for medical supplies, etc. All of these funds were contributed by churches and individuals in the Diocese of Tennessee. This account was significantly depleted at the beginning of 2009. Thanks to many generous contributions from individuals and churches in Tennessee, a sufficient amount was collected to properly fund the medicines and supplies for the clinics in 2009. There is seed money for 2010 and we ask that people continue to make contributions this Spring so that the clinics can continue planning for this summer.
• Some of the Companion church activities and projects included:
  ♦ Assistance for teachers at several schools associated with various Companion Churches.
  ♦ A team from the Church of the Good Shepherd visited their Companion Church, San Jose Obrero in Manta. The team conducted a 1-day clinic and also an abbreviated vacation Bible school.
  ♦ A team from St. Joseph of Arimathea made additional improvements to the electrical systems at their Companion Church Jesus El Senor in Guayaquil and also at San Pablo and San Jose Obrero in Manta.
PLANS FOR 2010:

- The Medical Missions Teams is planning a clinic program for July, and at least three other groups will work in the Diocese of Litoral in 2010 (Church of the Good Shepherd, St. Marks, St. Joseph of Arimathea, and St. Augustines).
- Students and others from St. Augustine’s will use their Spring break time for a mission trip to Litoral and work at the Ann Stevens Memorial School at San Eduardo.
- Travel assistance up to $300 will be made available to for thirteen people to work during short-term mission trips in 2010 (primarily to continue the work of the medical clinics).
- Seventeen churches in Litoral have requested churches in the Diocese of Tennessee to join them in a Companion church relationship. Committee members will assist this process.
- Depending on actions by the Annual Convention, the Companion Diocese Committee will begin a discernment process to develop recommendations for the Annual Convention in 2010. One of the recommendations may be for a new Companion Diocese relationship.
The Dandridge Trust Board on behalf of the Diocese allocated $85,194.00 in grant requests in 2009. The Board reviewed applications from various parishes within the Diocese as well as from agencies within Middle Tennessee. Emphasis was placed on requests that grew out of the programs and ministries of our parishes and that were submitted from agencies that focused on services to the elderly and the poor.

2009 Grants
All Saint’s Church  Blue Monarch, Sewanee  Church of the Holy Cross
Church of the Holy Spirit  Companion Diocese Committee  Faith Family Medical Clinic
Legal Aid, Cookeville  Loaves & Fishes, Clarksville  Rooftop
Mobile Loaves & Fishes  Otey Memorial Parish  St. Ann’s Hope Exchange
St. John’s Mission  St. Luke’s Community House  St. Mary’s Sewanee
St. Michael’s Church  Ann Stevens School, Ecuador
Mid-Cumberland Mt. Ministry

The Board met on November 5, 2009 to review grant applications for 2010. A total of twenty requests totaling $123,850.00 were received for consideration. Sixteen grants were approved for a total allocation of $80,000 to be paid in 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

The Dandridge Trust Board
The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt
The Rev. Eric S. Greenwood, Jr.
Mr. Gene Hines, Treasurer
Ms. Judy Homan
Mr. Scott Kammerer, Vice Chair
The Rev. Gene B. Manning, Chair
The Rev. Cynthia Seeliger, Secretary
Ms. Jan Pate
Report of the DuBose Conference Center

DuBose Conference Center is jointly owned by the three Diocese of Tennessee and is operated independently of any financial subsidy. The mission of the Center is to provide hospitality for the religious and secular communities. DuBose strives to accomplish this mission by offering a place for people to gather in a community of faith.

Camp Gailor-Maxon is held at the Center and in 2009 welcomed over 11 campers from across Tennessee.

The Laymen’s Conference of the Episcopal Churchmen of Tennessee is also held at the Center in August of each year. The 2009 meeting was the 63nd annual meeting held at the Center where 302 men attended.

The end of 2009 found the Center in fair financial condition. The conference center operated within a $569,000 budget generated from gifts and user nights. The 2010 budget is in place. The Center is in place. The Center was occupied over 234 days of the year, during which time it hosted over 106 conferences, welcomed over 4,493 people, generated 9,025 user nights and served 25,021 meals.

A twenty-member Board of Directors presently govern the Center, and this Board meets quarterly. It consists of the Bishops of each Diocese of Tennessee (serving as ex-officio members) who appoint up to two members each. The Board may also elect additional at-large members. Officers in 2009 were as follows: Buddy Adams, President; Brad Almquist, Vice President; Susie Ries, Secretary; and Ed Miller, Treasurer. Board members from Middle Tennessee in 2009 included, Susie Ries and Vicki Burgess.

The Director is Kim Agee. The administrative staff includes Lorrie Coutu, Accounting; Charles Beaumont, Camp; Rena Terry, Food Service; and Chester Searles, Maintenance.
The Episcopal Church Women are centered in the congregations, and empower women to do Christ’s work in the world. We are women from varied backgrounds, ethnic origins of all ages; we have varied opinions but are united in our devotion to God and His Church.

The duty of the Diocesan Board is to provide information, program and leadership for the branches in the parishes and missions of the Diocese. During the past year, we have had a Lenten Quiet Day, shared in a Spring Conference with the other two Dioceses in Tennessee and our Annual Meeting in September, where we conduct business and elect Diocesan Board Members. The chairs of the Board are: Altar Guild, UTO, Church Periodical Club, Missions, Christian Education, Historian, Parliamentarian/Bylaws, Nominations, Quiet Day, Spring Conference, Clergy Advisor/Chaplain and Annual Meeting. The Diocesan Board also represents the ECW on the Province and National level by attending various meetings and General Convention.

This past year, we have had one branch reorganize and become active. There is one other branch that is beginning the process to reorganize and one that is working on becoming a new branch.

The past year has been a difficult one for the Board. Our beloved President, Maggie Ward, died in February and Judy Hines graciously stepped in until a new President and Vice President/President Elect could be elected at the September Annual Meeting.

The Board is committed to continue to provide the support and leadership to the branches so that the ECW mission of outreach and mission will flourish in this diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Markert
Diocesan Board President
Report of the Evangelism Committee

The mission of the Diocesan Evangelism Committee is to help the diocese in its mission “to encourage and equip one another as the baptized people of God, to witness to the transforming and reconciling power of Jesus Christ” through providing educational opportunities and resources.

In 2009 the Diocesan Evangelism Committee met its goals. We communicated that “All are Called” to be faithful witnesses to Christ our Lord and to be involved in the mission of the Church.

In April we brought the Very Reverend Kevin Martin back to cover a new topic at the Diocesan Wide Conference Day Conference: “How to Open the Front Door and Close the Back: Keys to Church Growth”. Fifty clergy and lay persons from three diocese attended. We also taught Evangelism 101 course the day prior with fifteen in attendance.

In March and July our committee assisted St. George’s team with two Alpha Course training events which drew participants from around the southeastern US and which assisted in the formation several Alpha Courses in this diocese.

The Evangelism Leadership Forum (or ELF) is a resource group of people in the Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee interested in promoting evangelism in their parishes. We gather periodically to share ideas and resources, to encourage one another, and work together on projects. Membership in the Forum is non-binding and completely voluntary and open to anyone with a heart to complete the Great Commission to make Christian disciples of all nations, starting in our own diocese.

The ELF group met three times to share eat together, hear a speaker, share ideas and network with one another.


Our goals for 2010 are
1. Remind ourselves and the people of the diocese that “All are Called” to be ambassadors for Christ to our families, workplaces, parishes, communities, city and the world. We are called to partner with Christ as He draws people to Himself through the power of the Holy Spirit.
2. Host a diocesan conference and parish workshop for clergy and lay persons on March 5-6th at St. George's Church in Nashville led by Andrew Weeks of the Magnetic Church.

3. **Evangelism Leadership Forum:** We plan to continue to develop this group as a resource to those who care about the work of evangelization, by creating a regular email list, continuing to meet together, to hear speakers and share ideas with one another. We will invite clergy join in and to appoint a layperson from their parishes to represent their congregation on the Evangelism Leadership Forum.

4. **Sharing Our Faith: Evangelism 101**- We plan to host at least one Evangelism 101 event next year at the invitation of parishes.

5. **Alpha Consultants:** We will be available to parishes interested in starting an Alpha Course as one option among many in parish evangelism.

6. **Congregational Development Consultants**- We receive training in Congregational Development and offer ourselves as consultants available to come alongside interested parishes.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. Cynthia L. Seifert, Chair
Episcopal Relief & Development is active in the Diocese of Tennessee. This past year congregation visits and a presentation at the U2charist were made to pass along information about what programs and ministries are being administered in the name of the Episcopal Church in the neediest regions of the world.

The Diocese of Tennessee was one of thirty-two dioceses across TEC that adopted a resolution prior to the 76th General Convention to designate the first Sunday in Lent as Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday. The support of these dioceses put Resolution A178 on the docket at General Convention in July and helped assure its passage. The General Convention officially declared the First Sunday in Lent as the Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday.

“We are deeply grateful that Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday has been made an official part of the Church’s Lenten commemoration,” said Brian Sellers-Petersen, Episcopal Relief & Development’s Director of Church Engagement. “Many congregations have been marking the occasion for some time now as a reminder that Lent is an important time to remember those impacted by poverty and disease worldwide.” During Lent, 2009, many congregations in the Diocese of Tennessee used the Lenten Mediation Book published by Episcopal Relief & Development.

Episcopal Relief & Development made great strides in all corners of the world helping to save lives and build hope. Between January and November, 2009 our province, Province 4, ranked 3rd out of the 8 provinces in support of Episcopal Relief & Development projects. The Diocese of Tennessee ranked 8th out of the 20 dioceses in Province 4. Contributions made were earmarked for NetsforLife®, the Millennium Development Goal Inspiration Fund, Gifts for Life, Disaster Relief Funds and Areas of Greatest Need.

In spring 2009, after a year and a half of careful consideration, Episcopal Relief & Development launched a new Strategic Plan that identified five goals for the organization: International Programs, US Disaster Preparedness and Response, Visibility and Awareness, Funding and Church Engagement.

These goals are crucial to Episcopal Relief & Development’s continued success as organizational priorities through the triennium are set. In particular, the increased focus on church engagement will bolster the agency’s relationships with congregations by increasing networking, providing churches with tools and resources and utilizing social media to keep supporters informed and involved.

As we enter 2010, we hope to visit more congregations and groups in our diocese regarding Episcopal Relief & Development.

“Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.” Matthew 25: 37-40 (NRSV)

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Longo Cowperthwaite & Brady Banks
Episcopal Relief & Development
Co-Chairpersons, Diocese of Tennessee
Report of the Living in Creation Ministry

Task Force Team

Our Task Force Team (Scott Gain, Catherine Gain (Treasurer), Rev. Scott James, Emily Jones (Chair), Sally Palmer (Co-Chair), Jeff Rossini, Rick Sommer, and Marlene Varner (Secretary)) met seven times during 2009. Our Task Force Team meetings consist of deciphering God’s direction for this ministry; planning and organizing events for the diocese; discussing administrative topics; and sharing information with each other about religion and the environment.

Meetings and Workshops

The Task Force Team organized two meetings for liaisons and anyone in our diocese interested in religion and the environment. Our first meeting was at All Saints’ Church, Smyrna where over 20 people from 15 parishes gathered for discussion and fellowship. The September meeting hosted by St. Bartholomew’s, Nashville brought together 28 people from 20 parishes to hear dynamic speaker Dr. Katy Hinman, Regional Program Coordinator of Georgia Interfaith Power and Light. In addition to these meetings, St. Paul’s, Franklin hosted a rain barrel workshop on May 23, 2009 sponsored by Living in Creation Ministry in partnership with the Cumberland River Compact. 22 people from 6 parishes attended the rain barrel workshop.

2009 Goals and Accomplishments

While the meetings and workshop were the primary means of fulfilling our ministry purpose of providing educational resources; cultivating environmental dialogue within the diocese; supporting existing environmental efforts; and helping start new environmental ministries, further goals were identified to better establish the Living in Creation Ministry.

2009 Goals (explanation of accomplishment in bold):

I. Reports Living in Creation Ministry survey results – Survey results were briefly discussed at our liaison meeting in Feb. 2009.

II. Have a liaison appointed to ministry from every parish – This was an ambitious goal and we are pleased with having participation from 22 parishes.

III. Research environmental curriculum for parishes – The research has begun with hopes of continuing this project in 2010 and sharing findings with the Commission on Christian Education.

IV. Develop Living in Creation Ministry website – Completed (www.livingincreation.org)

V. Develop environmental informational packet for every parish – Liaisons have received a binder that will be added to at every meeting. As new liaisons are appointed they will receive this binder.

VI. Create the Living in Creation Sermon Series (A series of sermons by clergy and academics scheduled around the diocese focused on Creation care.) – This has transformed into something different. Our ministry is submitting a resolution at the 2010 Annual Convention setting aside Rogation Day as a day of reflection on faith and the environment. Moving in this direction allows clergy to participate, if they so choose, but is an invitation for all churches.

St. Paul’s, Franklin inspired a project of posting weekly environmental tips on the LiCM
website to be printed in church bulletins. These tips make it easy for churches to educate parishioners on conservation and preservation. Publishing an email newsletter, as another mechanism of communication, started in July.

2010 Goals

- Organize 2 meetings and 1 event for the diocese
- Increase number of liaisons
- Maintain website, including weekly green tips
- Continue monthly newsletter
- Continue existing and start new relationships with clergy
- Introduce Rogation Sunday resolution at 2010 Annual Convention
- Develop Rogation Sunday liturgy by April Clericus
- Continue collaboration with other agencies and groups
- Compile list of LICM speakers
- Make concerted efforts to “green” the 2010 Annual Convention following the successful “greening” of 2009’s convention at Christ Church Cathedral

Conclusion

The workings of the Holy Spirit have been evident in the 2009 accomplishments. Many people across the diocese have been working together for the glory of God to support and grow this ministry. Thank you to every person willing to participate and serve, because the 2009 successes would not be possible without you. We are grateful to God for the gift of our home and desire to care and respect God’s Creation gift.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Jones
Chair
Planned gifts are major gifts made to a church or charity after careful consideration and prayer other than gifts to an operating budget. They may be made now or planned for the future. Many people think of them as gifts made over a period of time, as to a capital funds drive, or through a will. Others are making these large gifts NOW so as to see for themselves the benefits of the gifts.

All major gifts should involve planning because they relate to one’s legacy, values, and to other family members in one way or another. Large gifts should be made after understanding clearly one’s own financial circumstances and his or her lifetime goals.

Planned gifts to the church generally benefit capital funds or an endowment, not operating budgets. They can be designated to certain specific purposes with the concurrence of the receiving organization. They can be made in cash, stock, personal property, or through a variety of methods. All donors should be assured by their legal and financial advisors that the gift is in the best interest of all parties.

There are even ways to 1) give now, 2) receive income for the rest of one’s life, and 3) benefit the church at one’s death. They are called Charitable Gift Annuities; larger gifts with income benefits generally become charitable remainder trusts.

The diocese recognizes such gifts to any endowment throughout the diocese with an honorary Legacy Society. Thus far there are some 124 members representing 24 listed on the plaque at the diocesan office.

For questions, information, or confidential conversation, contact Seawell Brandau 615-352-4824 or brandausj@comcast.net. He is a volunteer and does not sell anything.
Report of St. Andrew’s-Sewanee School

While the economy and budget concerns dominated much of the Board level conversations at SAS this year, day-to-day activities continued as usual as the Rev. John Thomas completed his first year as Head of School. The 2008-09 school year ended with all the joy, pomp and circumstance deserved by an outstanding class of 49 seniors. August welcomed a strong enrollment of 264 students, including 89 new students. We continued to celebrate academic, athletics, and artistic achievement while instilling in our students a strong sense of community and dedication to service. As we head into 2010, our attention turns to filling two crucial positions that will be vacated when our longtime Assistant Heads of School for Academic Affairs and Student Affairs retire in June 2010.

Our Year in Review

January – Three students were chosen by various organizations to attend the presidential inauguration. State Naturalist emeritus Mack Prichard and The Land Trust for Tennessee are named upcoming honorees for Trails & Trilliums, the school’s annual wildflower celebration. The SAS Outing Program collected and delivered 524 pairs of gently-worn shoes to Soles4Souls, a Nashville-based charity that provides footwear to victims of poverty and natural disaster.

February – Junior Dasom Lee met Leisha Adams, of Lahash International, the organization that supports Amazing Grace Orphanage in Uganda. Leisha met with the Middle Schoolers to thank them and Dasom, who sent Lahash proceeds from her pottery sales, for their financial support of the orphanage. Carter Roberts, president and CEO of the World Wildlife Fund, delivered the Bishop Reynolds Forum lecture. The St. Andrew's-Sewanee duo of Paul Alter and Emma Butterworth prevailed over 25 teams from the region to capture first place at the 14th annual National Engineers Week Student Design Competition. The Culprits, a student band including Zach Blount, Nick Evans, and Will Evans (all state-level swimmers), were featured in Swimming World’s on-line magazine and made a guest appearance on The Morning Swim, a live web show produced by Swimming World.

March - In recognition of its outstanding program in environmental education, St. Andrew’s-Sewanee School was chosen by the North American Association for Environmental Education to be part of a study by the National Environmental Literacy Assessment (NELA) Research Team. The multi-year project funded by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is designed to identify and study successful programs. SAS students under the direction of teacher Ron Ramsey continued to work to build and maintain the Cumberland Trail, a 300-plus mile trail beginning in Kentucky and passing through 11 Tennessee counties. Over the past four years, SAS students have contributed over 2,588 hours to the project.

April – Five Middle School students received Duke TIP recognition. McCrory Hall for the Performing Arts was dedicated. An evening opening performance followed with pianist Michael Gurt and Cellist Paul York. Sophomore Jodie Brown was named to the DII Tennessee
Sportswriters' All-State Basketball Team for the second straight year. Four students received highly coveted invitations to the Tennessee Governor's Schools.

May – Juniors Anna Condon and Nick Evans received recognition from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. The SAS softball team finished fourth in the state, a remarkable achievement given that this was the team’s second year of existence. Sisters Sadie and Avery Shackelford were crowned the #1 and #2 girls' singles champions in Division IIA state tennis. Ten students received recognition for outstanding achievement on national and international language exams. Junior Christina Woopen was one of only four students to place first in the nation with a perfect score on Le Grand Concours De Français. Forty-nine members of the Class of 2009 graduate with offers from outstanding schools across the nation and the intention to matriculate at 36 different colleges and universities.

June – In front of nearly 300 alumni, Dale Doss '54 and Porter Halyburton '59 were presented with the Distinguished Alumni Awards during the school's Alumni Weekend. The Rev. William S. Wade, retired Head of School, was presented with the School Service Award. Shakerag Workshops, a residential arts program for adults, drew participants from across the country. Birmingham restaurateur Frank Stitt and Andrew Wagner, editor of ReadyMade magazine were guest lecturers. More than 100 children attended SAS summer camps.

July – With support from the Parents’ Council, SAS faculty pursued summer professional enrichment activities including graduate studies, workshops, and curricular planning. Anne Chenoweth, former Major Gifts officer at the University of the South, joined SAS as Director of Admissions.

August – The school welcomed 264 students on opening day, including 91 boarders. The students hail from 11 countries and sixteen states. With record low turnover, only two new employees were introduced: Chinese teacher and Middle School volleyball coach Jenny Zhang and assistant school nurse Neva Bair. Ms. Zhang is the school’s first native Chinese language instructor. Sixth grader Abby Mainzer won a blue ribbon at the Franklin County Fair for her 4-H Chick Chain.

September – Juniors Jessica Honiker and Storm Hill attended the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Conference in Crossville, Tenn. A group of SAS students traveled to Athens, Ala. to lend their labor to a Habitat for Humanity project headed by alumnus Garth Lovvorn. Sean Carasso of Falling Whistles came to Chapel to enlighten the community on the plight of child soldiers in the Congo. Senior Selina Miller founded Global Outreach, a student organization raising money and awareness. The group staged bake sales throughout the fall to raise funds which were donated to Heifer International. Close to 50 college representatives visited SAS during the fall to recruit SAS students. Students Ethan Burns and Sidney Durant took first and fourth place in the Youth Open of the Black Bear Rampage, a 44-mile mountain bike race.

October – Students volunteered at Blue Monarch, a local faith-based residential recovery program for women who are recovering from domestic violence and substance abuse. The students chopped firewood and constructed a bus shelter. The Advanced Chemistry class welcomed Sewanee Elementary School fifth graders to campus for a Halloween Chemystery
demonstration. Longtime SAS administrators Claire Reishman and George Chamberlain announced their intention to retire from their administrative positions at the end of the school year. The subsequent job announcements yielded more than 100 applicants. International students presented the flags of their ten home countries in a special Flag Day ceremony. A new addition to the SAS collection was the flag of Zimbabwe.

**November** – Sophomore Evan Wright attended the Global Youth Forum in Washington, D.C., a four-day conference to discuss climate change. The school received an "Arts Build Communities" grant from the Tennessee Arts Commission through the Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee. The grant is helping to bring the Blakemore Trio to campus on January 29, 2010 for a free public concert in McCrory Hall.

**December** – Sewanee Professor of History Woody Register gave the first all-school lecture in McCrory Hall. The topic was Ted Sizer, an educational philosopher whose writings have been very influential for the SAS curriculum. The school’s Winter Concert, including performances by three Middle School choirs, the Upper School choir, a vocal quartet, the Ensemble, and two bell choirs, was well received by a standing room only audience. The Parent Council’s Hot Topics series invited several area law enforcement officials to discuss Teens & the Law. The topic was well received and plans for presentations to the student body are underway. SAS students organized and participated in a plethora of service projects benefiting Heifer International, the Amazing Grace Orphanage in Uganda, the Community Action Committee of Otey Parish church, and Blue Monarch.
ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Board of the Directors of St. John’s Episcopal Church, Ashwood, was held on Whitsunday, May 31, 2009, in the nave of the Church following the eleven o’clock service. The following members were present: Mr. Porter, Mr. Gray, Mr. Clark, Ms. Blank-Cook, Mr. Crichton, Ms. Hardin, Mr. Moore, Dr. Thompson, Mr. Vander Horst, Mr. Webster, and the Reverend Richard J. Zalesak. Members of the Honorary Board presser were Mrs. Clark, Mr. Halliday, Mr. Henderson, and the Reverend Thomas S. Wilson. The Right Reverend William E. Sanders was the celebrant at the service.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Porter, and opened with a prayer by Mr. Porter. Mr. Porter welcomed new Board member Mr. Allston Vander Horst, and welcomed the Reverend Thomas S. Wilson to the Honorary Board. The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read on motion of Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Moore. The Treasurer’s report was approved as presented by Mr. Clark on motion of Ms. Lawrence Blank-Cook, seconded by Ms. Hardin. Mr. Clark stated that the balance on hand at the First Farmers and Merchants Bank on December 21, 2008, was $21,805.97, and that the balance on hand on April 30, 2009 was $28,690.02. The balance in the St. John’s portion of the Episcopal Endowment Trust as of December 31, 2008 was $235,903.23, and that the balance as of March 31, 2009, was $222,923.07. In accordance with the new contract with the Diocese regarding allocation of funds into two separate funds, the St. John’s Ashwood First Fund totaled $185,999.46 as of December 31, 2008, and $175,072.95 on March 31, 2009. This is the fund from which only earnings may be used by the Board, and it includes within it the Harriette Quin Fund. The St. John’s Ashwood Second Fund from which principal and earnings may be used for Board projects totaled $49,903.77 as of December 31, 2008, and $47,850.12 on March 31, 2009.

Officers elected for the year by unanimous vote on motion of Dr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Moore, are: Mr. John C. Porter, President; Mr. J. Dawson F. Gray, Vice President and Secretary; Mr. Grady O-Neil Clark, Treasurer. On motion of Mr. Clark, seconded by Dr. Thompson, Mr. Crichton, the new Chairman of the Building and Grounds Committee, was added to the Executive Committee.

Mr. Porter then gave the report of the Building and Grounds Committee. On motion of Ms. Hardin, seconded by Mr. Moore, the Executive Committee was given authority by the Board to proceed with additional plantings of trees as necessary, to remove trees as needed, and to kill weeds and re-plant grass in appropriate area.
Mr. Clark then presented the report of the Cemetery Committee. Mr. Clark stated that two burial lots were sold in the past fourteen months, and that as of the date of the annual meeting, $3700.00 had been spent on the engineering plat of the cemetery and grounds. Mr. Moore proposed a motion, duly seconded, to commend Mr. Clark for the fine work he has done as chairman of the Cemetery Committee and in bringing the cemetery plat to such a fine conclusion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Porter then appointed a committee chaired by Lawrence Blank-Cook, with members Edward Moore, Neil Clark, and the Reverend Thomas S. Wilson, to develop proposals for the Board’s consideration regarding possibly establishing a web site for St. John’s. The committee is to report to the Executive Committee prior to the next annual meeting, and then to the entire Board at the next annual meeting.

There followed a discussion of possibly having a second service during the year at St. John’s, subject to approval by the Bishop of Tennessee, with the date possibly on the Sunday closest to All Saints Day. Ms. Hardin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blank-Cook, for the Executive Committee and Father Zalesak to look into this and report with recommendations.

Mr. Porter told the Board that the Secretary had received a letter of resignation from Mr. J. Frank Thompson due to his permanent move back to San Diego, California. Mr. Vander Horst made a motion, duly seconded, for the Secretary to obtain a plaque memorializing Mr. Thompson’s many years of service on the Board, and especially as chair of the Building and Grounds Committee. The plaque is to be sent to Mr. Thompson with the grateful thanks for the Board.

On motion of Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Porter, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Dawson Frierson Gray
Secretary of the Board

St. Luke's Community House is proud to have successfully partnered with the Diocese for another year. Since 1913, we have been serving the residents of West Nashville with support and enrichment programs designed to help increase the stability and potential of our community. The Diocesan investment of $63,000 coupled with gifts from several Diocese parishes and the Dandridge Trust have provided us with 7.5% of our total financial support. These unrestricted gifts have been invaluable in allowing us flexibility in spending and support in maintaining our programs. Additionally, the hundreds of volunteers from across the Diocese have been instrumental in helping us run our daily activities like the food bank and Mobile Meals, but also our seasonal programs, including tax preparation and Christmas gift-giving. We cannot calculate the value of their service, but know that they have been crucial members of our team.

The activities at St. Luke's this past year have encompassed a broad range of services and our service numbers reflect increasing levels of need, due to the current economic climate in the nation.

Community Support:
8,727 individuals received food from food boxes.
1,239 received emergency boxes to meet interim hunger needs.
24,039 Mobile Meals served to seniors or shut-ins by volunteers.
597 individuals in 219 households received Emergency Financial Assistance.
21 women and 35 men participated in anger management education programs through Domestic Violence Intervention Center.
446 counseling sessions performed by Family & Children’s Services.
76 Learners enrolled in ELL.
35 participated in our Culinary Program's inaugural year; 25 graduated.

Seasonal Programs:
500 Tax returns filed equaling to $438,830 refunded to the community.
351 families adopted for Christmas through Adopt-A-Family.
942 children received toys through Toy Store.

Children & Youth:
110 children enrolled in our Child Development Program.
106 children enrolled in YES Youth Program.
52 children attended Lone Oak Summer Camp.
26 girls participated in the Girl Scouts.
5 teen girls participated in Girls World.
138 children mentored through Big Brothers Big Sisters.
53 children enrolled in Youth Life Learning Center.

We look forward to 2009 as a year to practice economy and strategy in our business decisions while continuing to provide an excellent level of service to the community. Together with the Diocese, area churches, and our incredible volunteers and staff, we will make a difference in the lives of hundreds of low-income families and individuals.

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Report of St. Mary’s Sewanee

Everyday life in the harried world in which we live has a way of distracting us from what truly matters in our lives. Many of us find ourselves stretched to the very limit. We are chronically tired and often unfulfilled. The pace of daily life for most in our culture is as Thomas Merton once said at an “inhuman tempo.” St. Mary’s Sewanee exist as one place where like Jesus before us we respond to the invitation by God to “withdraw to a quiet place to pray.” Through silence and simplicity, warm welcome and spiritual companionship St. Mary’s Sewanee seeks to nurture the innate human capacity for relationship with God. The programs and retreats we offer are broad and ecumenical, while always seeking to touch in some way the rich Christian contemplative tradition.

Our work as a center of spiritual growth is to partner with churches, clergy, individuals and other organizations in the development of prayer and spiritual practices emerging from the contemplative dimension of the Gospels. This past year more than 500 individuals participated in one or more of the retreats and programs sponsored by our Program Committee. Our partnership with Contemplative Outreach and Father Thomas Keating continues to thrive. Since 1997 working alongside Contemplative Outreach St. Mary’s has held more than seventy centering prayer retreats.

In May of this year St. Mary’s Sewanee will be only the second place in the world to host the newest retreat offering from Contemplative Outreach entitled, *Heartfulness: Transformation in Christ.*

St. Mary’s also partners with the Henri Nouwen Society whose purpose is to foster the spirituality of solitude, community and compassion that was embodied in the life and teaching of Henri Nouwen. Each year in collaboration with the Nouwen Society we hold a retreat focusing on some aspect of Father Nouwen’s work. This year Robert Jonas will offer a retreat, *A New Creation-Henri Nouwen’s Vision for Planet Earth* that will explore Nouwen’s lesser known reflections on Creation and the environmental crisis.

Our connection to the Episcopal Church and the diocese of Tennessee remains vital. Bishop Bauerschmidt continues to hold clergy retreats at St. Mary’s as well as being an active member of our Board. We are always seeking to serve as a resource to parishes, dioceses and clergy. In the past year alone 38 Episcopal affiliated organizations visited St. Mary’s. In addition to serving the Episcopal Church 17other denominations and 22 nonprofit organizations benefited from St. Mary's Sewanee last year.

Our mission of spiritual hospitality extends to groups and individuals of diverse religious and spiritual backgrounds. Just this year we inaugurated a new program created for those from various or no religious tradition.

*Keeping Faith: An Experience of Spiritual Deepening in Community* is being offered as a spiritual resource for individuals seeking to grow in their relationship to God through spiritual guidance, discernment and practices of contemplative prayer in the setting of a spiritual community. Participants attend three residential experiences at St. Mary’s which incorporate prayer, reflection time, periods of silence and sharing and discussion on a theme. Smaller groups then meet monthly for further conversation and experiences of spiritual community.

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St. Mary’s Sewanee has always been a place for individuals desiring a time of personal retreat. In the last year we have reaffirmed our commitment to this ministry by developing three specially redesigned accommodations in deep browns, fresh whites, and spring greens – hermitages that will benefit those who come to spend time in fruitful solitude. All of our physical enhancements have been guided by a classical monastic aesthetic, which expresses warm welcome through simplicity, order, modest beauty and spare practicality.

Two new offerings at St. Mary’s Sewanee are the Academy of Life Long Learning and weekly yoga classes. Both address the desire to make St. Mary’s an active center seven days a week as well as providing opportunities to the greater Sewanee community. The Academy for Life Long Learning is based on the premise that learning should never stop and is an integral aspect to our spiritual lives. Yoga classes are offered twice weekly by a certified yoga instructor as a way to promote health and spiritual growth.

Our development work continues to mature and grow. The Annual Fund for St. Mary’s Sewanee raised more contributions last year than ever before in the history of the Center, $108,923. We are on track this year to reach a similar mark. These gifts are from individuals, congregations and foundations. Such financial support is essential for St. Mary’s to fulfill our mission and enable us to keep our fees affordable, fund scholarships and enhance our programs.

We have launched a capital campaign to build facilities that will meet the needs of our guests and broaden the scope of our mission. Our main building was designed more than 50 years ago as a school dormitory. Many of our guests have grown to love this space, however, the limited flexibility of our meeting rooms and the shared dormitory bathrooms have become barriers to growth. Without air conditioning we are unable to offer programs during the summer, a prime time to be at St. Mary’s Sewanee. The new facilities will provide simple, comfortable meeting and lodging spaces designed to take full advantage of the beauty of our setting with its sweeping bluff view.

We need in a world of confusion and conflict places of quiet and peace so that we might discover what is lasting and true. Many of us live lives that are busy, lonely and cut off from friends, family and God. The world and for that matter our churches are full of competition, anger, fear and suspicion. The kind of hospitality we seek to offer at St. Mary's Sewanee invites guests to discover the great promise they carry within them. We do not seek to change people. That is God’s work. Our job is to “offer space where change can take place.” This, writes Henri Nouwen, is the “paradox of hospitality.” That is, “that it wants to create emptiness, not a fearful emptiness, but a friendly emptiness where strangers can enter and find themselves free; free to sing their own songs, speak their own languages, dance their own dances; free to leave and follow their own vocations.” This is the great opportunity for St. Mary's Sewanee: Which is to be hospitable in a frequently inhospitable world. Where we “offer space where people are encouraged to disarm themselves, lay aside their occupations and preoccupations and listen with attention and care to the voice speaking in their own center.”
Report of The University of the South Sewanee

College of Arts & Sciences enrollment from the Diocese of Tennessee for the 2008-2009 academic year: 187 students, 26 of whom report themselves to be Episcopalians.

School of Theology enrollment from the Diocese of Tennessee for the 2008-2009 academic year: 12 students, 9 of whom were in the summer Advanced Degrees Program.

2008-2009 Financial aid awarded to all undergraduate students from the Diocese of Tennessee: $4,205,533.00

2008-2009 Amount of support from Tennessee churches and the Diocese of Tennessee: $17,250.00

Governing board representatives from Tennessee:

Board of Regents
Dr. James A Hefner (2012)
Mr. John Richard Lodge, Jr. (2009)

Board of Trustees
The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt, D.D.
The Rev. Leigh Spruill (2012)
H. E. Miller, Jr. (2012)
W. A. Stringer (2012)

School of Theology Programs Center information for Tennessee:
Education for Ministry (EfM) groups: 10
EfM Diocesan Coordinator: Mrs. Martha T. Basenberg, marthabase@comcast.net

About Sewanee

The University of the South, popularly known as Sewanee, is home to both an outstanding liberal arts college 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. 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.”
Sewanee’s Relationship to the Episcopal Church

The University of the South, an institution of the Episcopal Church, was founded by church leaders from the southeastern United States in 1857. Sewanee 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 University's Board of Trustees is composed of the bishops of the 28 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 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.

2008–2009 Statistics

College of Arts and Sciences students: 1,483
Undergraduate Class of 2012: 409
  SAT combined (middle 50% range): 1148-1360
  ACT (middle 50% range): 26-30
  High School GPA: 3.6
Female 52%, Male 48%
Student/faculty ratio: 11:1
Percentage of college students declaring Episcopal heritage: 34.9%
Majors offered (college): 36
Minors offered (college): 32

School of Theology residential students: 79
  Newly enrolled students: 32
  Returning students: 47
  Female 33, Male 46
School of Theology summer graduate students: 61
Degrees offered (seminary): Master of Divinity, Master of Arts in Theology, Master of Sacred Theology, Doctor of Ministry. Other programs: Diploma of Anglican Studies, Certificate of Theological Studies

University Fiscal Year July 1, 2008–June 30, 2009:
  Unrestricted operating revenues: $67.6 million
  Endowment: $246 million (June 30, 2009)
**Finances and Academic Grants**

In the face of global financial turmoil, gifts and grants to the University declined in the 2008-2009 fiscal year. Despite the economic setting, however, 8,403 alumni, parents, faculty, staff, and friends made gifts totaling over $13.6 million to the University the South. Approximately $3.2 million of this total was to the Sewanee Annual Fund. Episcopal church giving through the One Percent Program was $311,374 from 203 parishes. The University’s 2008-2009 operating budget was $67.6 million. Approximately 66 percent of revenue to the University comes from student-funded tuition, room and board, and fees.

Science faculty made renewed efforts to build its sponsored research program. Several faculty members in biology and chemistry submitted proposals (some of which are still being considered) and Robert Bachman, associate professor of chemistry, earned a $276,000 grant for his research into advanced materials. The Jessie Ball duPont Fund continued to support the University’s service-learning, innovative teaching, and social justice ministry programs. At the conclusion of The Sewanee Call Campaign, the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation made a $1 million challenge grant for environmental studies, for which the University must raise $2 million to claim. Approximately $800,000 has been secured, and new initiatives such as the Sewanee Environmental Institute and the Center for Religion and Environment have been initiated. Sustaining both efforts will require new gifts and grants, and the University is actively seeking support for its environmental programs.

The Cousins Foundation made a second grant to the School of Theology’s Holy Land Pastoral Renewal Program in 2009. The Program offered 20 pastoral leaders a life-changing, vocation-renewing experience and enabled them to address three needs critical to pastoral life and practice:
- The need for community, fostered in orientation, a two-week pilgrimage to Israel, and reflection two months after our return.
- The need for sustainable habits of spiritual formation, to be explored in times of prayer and worship, personal quiet time, lectures, and assigned readings.
- The need to reclaim and sustain patterns of lifelong learning and discovery for clergy serving in an ever-changing ecclesial landscape.

**University Financial Aid**

In the 2008–2009 academic year, approximately $18.4 million was awarded in institutional financial aid to undergraduates. Sixty-eight percent of entering first-year students received aid, with almost half of those receiving need-based aid. Almost 66 percent of undergraduates received some form of aid, including University aid, scholarships, and other aid from all sources. Of the 198 graduate students at the School of Theology and the School of Letters, 67 percent received some form of financial assistance. The University strives to ensure that accepted students can afford a Sewanee education and that seminarians can graduate with as little education-related debt as possible.
Student Life
Sewanee welcomed 409 first-year students in the fall of 2008, including another group of 10 academically motivated students from urban public high schools though the Posse Foundation program of financial assistance and peer support.

In November, Sewanee was one of five schools profiled in USA Today in a set of education articles about the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE). USA Today, with a circulation of about 2.28 million, covers NSSE results every year and focuses each year on a different aspect of student engagement. In 2008, the story highlighted schools where students report high levels of faculty involvement outside of class. Sewanee continues to exceed the norms of comparable colleges and universities on all NSSE measures.

The Office of Career Services annually sponsors "Beyond the Gates: Preparing for Life and Work After Sewanee," before the start of Easter semester. This year nearly 100 juniors and seniors had the chance to interact with dozens of alumni and parent volunteers during panel discussions, mentoring, practice interviews, workshops, and a business luncheon.

During the course of the year, research and internships offered students unique opportunities. Emily Feitl, Evey Gannaway, Wyatt Harper, and Hayley Robb were awarded prestigious Fulbright fellowships; Chris Tipler, Kendra Tippens, and Karimeh Moukaddem received highly competitive Critical Language Scholarships; Alexander Harris, Brandi Moore, and Ximeng Zhang were named Sewanee’s first Carey Fellows; Emily Beeson and Laura Candler became Sewanee’s 37th and 38th Watson Fellows; and Jordan Casey was awarded the school’s 27th NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship. Eleven students from Sewanee this summer explored vocations in ordained ministry or service with non-profit organizations as part of the eighth Summer Discernment Institute.

More than 40 percent of Sewanee students typically study abroad, and about 80 students participate each year in summer programs in places such as Bangladesh, China, France, Italy, Russia, and Spain.

Commencement weekend recognized the achievements of 360 graduates of the College of Arts and Sciences and 39 seminarians from the School of Theology. The college’s Class of 2009 has one of the highest four-year graduation rates in recent history, at 84%. More than 10 students were nominated for the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award, Sewanee’s highest honor, for character, leadership, and service to the University and the community. Charles (Chase) Spurlock III, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., was recognized with the award for his service as student chief of the Sewanee Volunteer Fire Department and as chair of the Honor Council. The 2009 valedictorian was Wyatt Eugene Harper IV of Dickson, Tenn., and Cong Lu of Suzhou, China, was the salutatorian.

The School of Theology’s Commencement and Crossing sent 39 men and women out into the church’s mission. They had earned 36 degrees (20 Master of Divinity, five Master of Arts, three Master of Sacred Theology, and eight Doctor of Ministry) and three Diplomas in Anglican Studies. Of the five honorary degrees conferred during the weekend, two were conferred during the School of Theology commencement ceremony. Vincent Currie Jr., the administrator of the
Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast in Pensacola, received an honorary Doctor of Canon Law, and the Rt. Rev. Lloyd Emmanuel Allen, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Honduras, received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree.

This year’s commencement marked a first for the University’s fledgling School of Letters — the granting of Sewanee’s first Master of Fine Arts degree to Tina Suzann Whipple of Shelbyville, Tenn. The School of Letters enrolled its first summer master’s degree students in 2006.

In Sewanee athletics, 72 student-athletes were named to the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (SCAC) Academic Honor Roll for their academic performance in the Easter term, two more than last year. To be a member of the Honor Roll, a student-athlete must have a 3.25 GPA for the term in which they are competing. The Sewanee field hockey team earned its first SCAC Championship and its first NCAA Tournament bid in the 2008 season. Former All-ACC soccer player at Duke Patrick Johnston has been named head women's soccer coach after serving as one of the assistant coaches in 2008. Katy Caine has also been named head volleyball coach for the 2009 Tigers. Six alumni and a team were inducted into the Sewanee Athletics Hall of Fame in 2008: Yogi Anderson, C’72, Sophie Brawner Correll, C’83, Ryan Harrigan, C’98, Nathaniel Owens, C’70, the doubles team of Linnie Wheeless, C’95, and Kristin Ialaci Crane, C’96, and the 1958 Football Team.

The University’s Outreach Office encourages students to find creative ways to give back to their communities. Mission trips, organized during 2009 Spring Break, took students to work on projects in the Gulf Coast states, Jamaica, Haiti, Costa Rica, and Ecuador. The work of Sewanee’s campus ministries attracts about 25 percent of the student body.

Campus
The dedication of Spencer Hall, a 49,000-square-foot addition to Sewanee’s science facilities, was part of the 2008 Founders’ Day celebration. William M. Spencer III, a 1941 Sewanee graduate, presented to the University the new facility named in his honor, which was dedicated by the Rt. Rev. Henry N. Parsley Jr., Bishop of Alabama and Chancellor of the University.

Spencer Hall, with classrooms, laboratories and offices for chemistry, biology, biochemistry, and environmental science, both reflects and extends Sewanee’s distinguished tradition of science instruction and research, expanding the physical space dedicated to scientific study while also making possible new scholarly opportunities for faculty and students. The sciences faculty has more than doubled in number since the existing science building opened, and their research is an increasingly collaborative enterprise that finds students learning in the field as well as the classroom, often by working side-by-side with faculty on research projects. Spencer Hall is expected to earn LEED Silver Certification.

Four alumni were honored during Homecoming 2008 on Oct. 25. The Distinguished Alumnus Award went to Philip Wilheit, C’66. The Distinguished Young Alumni Award was presented to Jason Forrester, C’93, and the Crawford Service Award was received by Nick Babson, C’68. The Distinguished Faculty Staff Award was awarded to Tam Carlson, C’63.
In an effort to broaden its applicant pool to students across a range of backgrounds, Sewanee took the step of making college entrance examinations optional for admission beginning with the freshman class entering in 2010. Prospective students, who in the past were required to submit SAT or ACT test scores as part of the admission process, may now decide not to submit the standardized test scores. Those who make that choice must instead submit a graded academic paper and complete an evaluative interview with a representative of the University. The University will test the program for five years and assess its success throughout the period.

The Sewanee Environmental Institute (SEI) was begun during 2008-09, and shows great promise for enhancing and expanding student opportunities associated with the Domain while also strengthening the University’s reputation as a locus for environmental education and sustainability. This summer, its first, a Pre-College Field Studies Experience for talented rising high school juniors and seniors had more applicants than places in the program; 28 students from 13 states were enrolled in the inaugural year. The SEI also introduced three new intensive summer field courses for undergraduates.

Work started this summer on a renovation and addition to Snowden Hall, built in 1961. The changes will enhance Sewanee’s forestry and geology resources and support the strategic plan to strengthen environmental education and sustainability. The building will more than double in size, to about 24,000 square feet, and will feature new labs, classrooms, resource rooms, research space, and faculty offices. The renovation is expected to be completed in summer 2010. Sewanee will pursue LEED Silver Certification for this facility.

During the summer of 2009, Sewanee created the Center for Religion and Environment, which connects the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Theology, and All Saints’ Chapel in order to develop educational programs and public forums that unite environmental learning and action with faith practices.

**Faculty and Administration**

In February, Vice Chancellor Joel Cunningham announced his plans to retire in June 2010. Cunningham’s administration has been characterized by fiscal discipline and a commitment to strategic planning, which have allowed campus construction and renovation projects that have modernized Sewanee’s learning and living environment. Careful management discipline and financial stewardship have helped the University remain fiscally sound despite the current worldwide economic crisis.

During Cunningham’s tenure, Sewanee has enjoyed record applications to the College, growth in the influence and reach of the School of Theology, and increasing recognition as a leading national liberal arts university. Under his leadership, The Sewanee Call fundraising campaign came to a record-breaking conclusion in June 2008. Cunningham’s announcement of his retirement next year will allow an orderly transition of leadership for the University. A nationwide search is being conducted for a new Vice Chancellor under the direction of a Search Committee chaired by Joel A. Smith, C’67.
Sewanee’s Board of Regents approved the appointment of Samuel Williamson, former vice chancellor of the University, as University historiographer and Gerald Smith, religion professor and faculty marshal, as assistant historiographer.

Nicholas C. Babson, C’68, was appointed director of the Babson Center for Global Commerce. Babson played a leading role in conceiving and developing the Center and had served as acting director of the program since 2006. The Center brought entrepreneur and oilman T. Boone Pickens to campus for a day-long visit in April; he addressed packed rooms of students and community members on the topic of sustainable energy.

Sewanee’s Executive Director of the Associated Alumni Jay Fisher, C’79, was appointed Acting Dean of Admission and Financial Aid when David Lesesne, who had served as Admission and Financial Aid Dean since 2001, left that position during the summer.

School of Theology
Beginning the 2008-2009 academic year, the School of Theology welcomed 32 new students, bringing the total student body to 79 students representing 28 Episcopal dioceses. New student orientation featured a full week of activities introducing students to the seminary, the University, and the Sewanee community.

The 2008 DuBose Lecture series, Oct. 30-31, featured Dr. Fred B. Craddock, Bandy Distinguished Professor of Preaching and New Testament Emeritus, Candler School of Theology, Emory University. In three lectures, Dr. Craddock addressed “Preaching Jesus: Jesus in the Letter to the Hebrews.” Dr. Michael Battle will deliver the 2009 lecture series on “Ubuntu: A worldview and spirituality for reconciliation in the 21st Century” on October 29-30.

Also in October, the faculty welcomed bishops from the owning dioceses for its annual dialogue. The 2009 conversation is scheduled for October 14, focusing on the role of three-year residential seminary education as preparation for priesthood.

In November, the School of Theology Visiting Committee focused on formation for priesthood. The 2009 meeting is scheduled for November 11-13, and will give its chief attention to the Programs Center’s Education for Ministry (EfM) and the Advanced Degrees Program.

In January, the Education for Ministry program again collaborated with the Trinity Institute of Trinity Wall Street to participate in the webcast of the 2009 Trinity Institute National Theological Conference, *Radical Abundance: A Theology of Sustainability*. EfM facilitators led discussion groups as part of the conference. Sarah “Sissie” Wile continued serving as interim EfM director while the search continues for a director. Wile has served EfM as a mentor and trainer, as trainer-in-residence, and as assistant EfM director. A strategic planning team, which began working together in June 2008, has sought to discern the ways EfM will move into the future, and submitted a draft of a strategic plan to the University.

In February, “Sewanee: Come and See” hosted several dozen prospective seminarians. The annual preview weekend offers people considering seminary an opportunity to experience
community life, theological learning, and formation for ministry as they are lived out in the Sewanee context. Seminary students, faculty, and staff plan opportunities for their guests and their families to worship, attend classes, tour the campus, and get to know the seminary community. The 2010 Preview Weekend is scheduled for Feb. 25-28.

In April, University Chancellor the Right Rev. Henry Parsley, Bishop of Alabama, celebrated the Eucharist and consecrated the new outdoor altar (a gift of the Class of 2007) at the foot of the Chapel of the Apostles.

In May, the Rev. Dr. Robert Hughes, professor of systematic theology and Norma and Olan Mills professor of divinity, was named the inaugural recipient of a major new award for scholarship in pneumatology, the study of the Holy Spirit. The Poullart Libermann Award in Pneumatology, created by Duquesne University, honors “the individual who has made the most significant scholarly contribution to the area of pneumatology in the preceding five year period.”

In June, the School of Theology hosted “Does It Fit?”, the first nationwide vocational discernment conference for young people of color, sponsored by the Ethnic Ministries offices and the Pastoral Leadership Search Effort of the Episcopal Church Center. About 40 young adults attended the four-day event, which was made possible by a grant from the Arthur Vining Davis Foundation intended to expand initiatives in promoting diversity within the seminary community.

Sewanee once again participated this year in the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, with strong representation in Anaheim including staff members and alumni, the Vice Chancellor, Provost, Chaplain, and Dean of the School of Theology. The University hosted a dinner for approximately 75 alumni and friends, which included remarks by Chancellor Parsley.

Two pillars of the seminary faculty retired this year. Noted scholar and author the Rev. Dr. Donald S. Armentrout retired Dec. 31 as professor of church history and historical theology, the Charles Quintard Professor of Dogmatic Theology, and director of the Advanced Degrees Program. Professor and author Dr. Joseph E. Monti, professor of Christian ethics and theology, retired from the faculty June 30 after 27 years of service. Three new members joined the faculty on July 1. Dr. Paul Holloway was appointed associate professor of New Testament, the Rev. Robert MacSwain was appointed instructor of Theology and Christian Ethics, and the Rev. Dr. Benjamin King was appointed assistant professor of Church History. The Rev. Dr. William F. Brosend II is now serving as director of the Advanced Degrees Program.

For More Information about the University

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http://theology.sewanee.edu/
Committee Members: Ms. Karen Keele, The Reverend Dolores Nicholson, The Reverend Mickey Richaud, The Reverend Dr. Linda A. Hutton, Chair, the Reverend Canon Pamela Snare, liason for Bishop Bauerschmidt

The Vocational Diaconate continued to meet regularly in 2009. The committee presented a final draft of the Proposed Deacon Customary to Bishop Bauerschmidt for his review and suggestions. The committee also worked diligently and developed a draft of a two-year Formation Process for deacons including a proposed budget to present to the Diocesan Convention. The budget request is for the first year of the two year deacon formation gatherings. The proposed budget is based on holding the formation events at St. Mary's Sewanee due to the meditative setting and the spiritual nature of events held there.

PROPOSED EDUCATION/FORMATION REQUIREMENTS
The education/formation process is intended to be completed in a minimum of two years. Before ordination each candidate shall be prepared in and demonstrate basic competence in five general areas in accordance with Title III, Canon 6, Sec 5.

The proposed education requirements may be met through successful completion of two years of online courses, such as the Center for Anglican Learning & Leadership of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley, California, which is approved by the North American Association of the Diaconate. Other programs must be approved by the bishop.

The proposed formation requirements would be met by attending twenty monthly gatherings over a period of two years. Ten would be overnight events beginning on Friday evening and concluding on Saturday afternoon, and ten would be one day events on Saturdays. Theological reflections on academic studies would be part of the formation process. A basic unit of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) or an equivalent as approved by the Commission on Ministry (COM) and the Bishop, sexual misconduct prevention training, training regarding Title IV of these canons, and anti-racism training would also be required.

During the education and formation process evaluation of the participant’s progress would be made in accordance with Canon III, Section 5 (i).

It is the mind of the committee that every two years a new class of candidates for the diaconate would be admitted to begin the formation process. In that way a sense of diaconal community could result.

Faithfully Submitted, The Reverend Dr. Linda A. Hutton, Chair
### Revenue Estimate

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<td>Miscellaneous revenue</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenue</strong></td>
<td>1,446,976</td>
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The primary source of support for the diocese is the Fair Share commitment which is equal to 10% of a congregation’s operating income, calculated on a three year rolling average. The Fair Share amount above is based on commitments received as part of the budget process.

The investment income represents planned and regular distributions from funds held at the Episcopal Endowment Corporation and two other long term funds. Investment distributions are calculated at 4% of a rolling average of the asset value.

The recent church plants in the Diocese have benefitted greatly in years past by the support of funds from Volunteers for Mission. VFM funds will be exhausted in the year 2010.

### Expenses

#### Compensation and benefits - diocesan staff

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<td>Stipend, Episcopate</td>
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<td>SS Allowance, Episcopate</td>
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<td>Housing, Episcopate</td>
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<td>Salary, general &amp; administrative</td>
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<td>Payroll Taxes, general &amp; administrative</td>
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These figures include compensation for the Bishop, the Canon to the Ordinary, the Canon for Administration and Finance, the Chief Financial Officer, the Bishop’s Assistant and the Director of Communications. There is no cost of living increase in compensation for the staff for 2010. Other salaries paid by the diocese are recorded below in the appropriate area. The increase in the 2010 budget for “Compensation and Benefits - Diocesan Staff” is due to 1) increased responsibilities in one staff position warranting an increase in salary, and 2) and 8% increase in medical and dental insurance costs.
Outreach

Companion Diocese Committee 4,900
National Church pledge 99,806
Living in Creation Ministry 610
Episcopal Appalachian Ministries 2,500
Hispanic Lunch Program 1,000
Mid-Cumberland Mountain Ministry 37,327
St. Andrew’s-Sewanee School 1,000
St. Luke’s Community House 70,000
University of the South 1,000

218,143

The National Church pledge number for 2009 and 2010 represents the total amount pledged to the National Church by each congregation in the diocese.

The Companion Diocese Committee, Living in Creation Ministry, Hispanic Lunch Program and Mid-Cumberland Mountain Ministry are diocesan outreach programs. The other line items reflect outreach done by entities related to, but outside of the diocese. It is also important to recognize the Dandridge Trust as part of diocesan outreach. It provides $80,000 to $100,000 of outreach support annually, but those figures are not part of the diocesan operating budget.

Program Areas

Mission Council

Diocesan Mission Council -
Evangelism 2,000
Gifts and Talents -
Mission Congregations
All Saints’ Church Smyrna 130,866 *
Church of the Holy Cross Murfreesboro 52,000
St. Anselm’s Church Nashville 35,000
St. Francis’ Church Goodlettsville 2,500
St. James’ Church Dickson 10,000
St. James’ Church Sewanee 4,750
St. John’s Home Church Clarksville 30,000
St. Luke’s Church Springfield 12,500
STEM (presented net of reimbursement) 65,249

Sudanese Ministry -

344,865

Redeveloping Mission Congregations is a major part of the diocesan budget. The Diocese will begin to shoulder some of the Mission Support that was previously carried by Volunteers for Missions since VFM funds will be depleted in 2010. This budget presentation shows revenue and expenses of Volunteers for Missions as flowing through the diocesan Operating Budget in order to demonstrate the degree of support provided by VFM.

* Added to the All Saints’ number above will be an estimated $50,000 of principal debt reduction. The All Saints’ figure above includes compensation for the vicar, a case manager and interest expense of the debt of the Mission.

In order to continue funding our missions, we are charged to identify other sources of support. We stand behind our mission congregations and are committed to their growth and development.

Education Council

Christian Education 2,000
Christ Church Chorister Festival 900
Education for Ministry 1,500
Higher Education, St. Augustine’s Chapel 60,735
Youth 6,000

71,135

Ministry Service Council

Aid to Seminarians 15,400
Chaplain, Retired Clergy/Spouse 2,520
Clergy Assistance 2,000
Clergy Colloquium 4,000
Clericus 300
Commission on Ministry 4,000
Clergy spouse and development 2,500
Congregational development 3,000
Daughters of the King 1,000
Deacons in training 37,965
Ecumenical Officer 1,000

109
Two new initiatives are included in the area of clergy support and development. The Vocational Diaconate program will provide formation and training of permanent deacons, the first class of which is to begin in 2010. The Fresh Start program provides support and educational development, and builds collegial relationships for clergy in transition (new ordained clergy, and clergy in new cures).

**Church Government**

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<td>Deputies, General Convention</td>
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<td>Provincial Synod (annual)</td>
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This section remains fairly constant. The General Convention and Lambeth accruals have been removed from this budget. The increase in the Province IV line is for a one time Disaster Relief and Preparedness Conference to be hosted by the diocese in August 2010.

**Development Efforts**

20,000

In 2009, we began a Feasibility Study to start a conversation in the diocese about raising support for an annual fund as well as for existing and new initiatives in the diocese. The above figure would allow the continuation of that work.

**Administrative Expenses**

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Administrative expenses include continuing education and travel for the Bishop, Canon and staff, printing of Connections, office rent, telephone, etc. The proposed figures maintain current levels of activity.

**Total Expenses**

1,457,853

**Total Revenue over (under) expenses**

(10,878)