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Proceedings
46th Annual Convention of the
Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon

Open Hearts + Open Table: Practicing Radical Hospitality

Hosts of Convention: St. Peter's Episcopal Church, La Grande

Presiding: The Rt. Rev. Patrick Bell, Bishop

Friday, October 7, 2016

Friday's events were held at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in La Grande, Oregon. Registration was held from 3:00–6:30 p.m. in the St. Peter's Library. A taco bar was offered from 5:00 to 6:30 in the parish hall. The annual meeting of the Eastern Oregon Episcopal Foundation preceded the Convention meetings at 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the St. Peter's Sanctuary. A meeting of the parish coordinators for Episcopal Relief and Development with Diocesan ERD Coordinator, Bruce Barnes, followed in the sanctuary from 4:30–5:30 p.m. The Foundation Trustees met following the Foundation annual meeting from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

Business Session I: The Bishop's Address

Call to Order

At 7:00 p.m. the people gathered in the sanctuary of St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Bishop Patrick Bell called the meeting to order and asked Doug Harder, Secretary of Convention, to report on quorum. Doug reported that a quorum in the lay order, in the clergy order, and a quorum of parishes were represented.

Welcome

Bishop Bell welcomed everyone to the 46th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon and thanked St. Peter's Convention Co-Chairs, Kathy Thew and Val Royes, and rector of St. Peter's, The Rev. Kathy Macek for all their work on behalf of the diocese.

Bishop's Address

Bishop Bell presented his address to Convention. The printed version of the Bishop's address can be found in the pages immediately following these proceedings.

Compline

Arnold Coe led Compline and the Convention was adjourned until Saturday morning.

Saturday, October 8, 2016

Saturday's events were held at Ascension School Camp and Conference Center in Cove, Oregon. Registration of late arrivals continued from 7:30-8:00 a.m. in Founder's Hall.

2016 Budget Review

An optional budget review session was conducted by Randy Heise, Treasurer, in the large conference room of Kimsey Commons from 8:00 -9:00 a.m.

Business Session II

Call to Order

Bishop Bell called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and asked Doug Harder, Secretary of Convention, to report on quorum. Doug reported that a quorum in the lay order, in the clergy order, and a quorum of parishes were represented.

The Rev. Charlotte Wells opened the session with prayer.

Greetings

Bishop Bell read greetings from the Rt. Rev. Nedi Rivera and The Rev. Lee Kiefer.

Patty Olson-Lindsey, Executive Director of Ascension School Camp and Conference Center, welcomed all to Ascension School and read a special prayer of welcome.

The Rev. Jed Holdorph, Chair of the Resolutions Committee, presented the following Courtesy Resolutions:

As our gathering this weekend for the 46th Convention of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon is a reminder that we are members of a larger Church, be it

Resolved, that the laity and clergy of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon extend greetings to our sisters and brothers in the neighboring Diocese of Oregon, offering our prayers for them as they gather for their Diocesan Convention in Eugene, November 4-5; and be it further

Resolved, that the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon extend greetings to our brothers and sisters in the neighboring Diocese of Spokane, offering our prayers for them as they gather for their Diocesan Convention in Lewiston, Idaho, October 14-16, to elect their next bishop; and be it further

Resolved, that the laity and clergy of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon extend greetings to Dave Brauer-Rieke, Bishop of the Oregon Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; and be it further

Resolved, that the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon extend greetings and affection to the Rt. Reverend Bill Gregg, 6th Bishop of our Diocese; and be it further

Resolved, that the laity and clergy of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon extend greetings and affection to the Rt. Reverend Nedi Rivera, 7th Bishop of our Diocese; and be it further

Resolved, that the laity and clergy of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon extend greetings and affection to Gretchen Kimsey, giving thanks for her ongoing presence as a member of this most blessed fellowship here in God's Country.

Welcome

Bishop Pat welcomed attendees and visitors and once again introduced and thanked the co-chairs of the Host Committee, Kathy Thew and Val Royes, members of the host committee, and The Rev. Kathy Macek.

Bishop Bell then introduced Doug Harder, Secretary of Convention, the diocesan staff as well as the staff of Ascension School, with a special welcome to Kim Lee the new Hospitality Manager and Administrative Assistant for EDEO and Ascension School, and Cindy Edwards, who the diocese is contracting with for communication needs. He offered a special welcome and introduction to The Rev. Dr. Roberts Shore-Goss, the keynote speaker from MCC United Church of Christ in the Valley in California, Juli Stratton from the North Idaho Pride Alliance, and Judy Cross from Idaho Interfaith Alliance. He invited Juli and Judy to give a short introduction of their work.

The current members of Standing Committee and Diocesan Council were introduced and asked to stand:

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| - Kim McClain | Standing Committee-class of 2017 |
| - The Rev. Jed Holdorph | Standing Committee-class of 2017 |
| - Julie Reynolds | Standing Committee-class of 2018 |
| - The Rev. Nancy Sargent Green | Standing Committee-class of 2018 |
| - Bill Taylor | Diocesan Council-class of 2017 |
| - Marjorie Thelen | Diocesan Council-class of 2017 |
| - The Rev. Georgia Giacobbe | Diocesan Council-class of 2017 |
| - Vicki Mosier | Diocesan Council-class of 2018 |
| - Karly Nash | Diocesan Council-class of 2018 |
| - The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake | Diocesan Council-class of 2018 |

A special thank you was given to outgoing members:

- Charlie Cagle Standing Committee-class of 2016
- The Rev. Anna Carmichael Standing Committee-class of 2016
- Randy Heise Diocesan Council-class of 2016
- Beth Spell Diocesan Council-class of 2016
- The Rev. Kathy Macek Diocesan Council-class of 2016

Bishop Bell called Judy Warren, Diocesan Disaster Relief Coordinator, to come forward to talk to the diocese about her work as the coordinator and the need for parishes to become trained in what to do in the event of a disaster and how they can be of assistance to their communities should a large scale disaster occur.

Before the break Bishop Bell introduced the following members of the Bishop's Search Committee and the Transition Committee and thanked them for their hard work. They were recognized with special corsages and the convention members were encouraged to let them know how much their work was appreciated.

Search Committee:

- The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake, Baker City
- The Rev. Katy Anderson, Heppner
- The Rev. John Collins, Sisters
- The Rev. Marilyn Roth, The Dalles
- Fabian Baker, Klamath Falls
- Julie Reynolds, Canyon City
- Arlene Ullman, Bend
- Terry Rahmsdorff, Bend
- Janet Warner, Chaplain, Prineville

Transition Committee

- The Rev. Kathy Macek, La Grande
- The Rev. Roy Green, Sunriver & Hood River
- Charlie Cagle, Burns
- Ruth Tsu, Hood River

Break

Convention recessed at 10:30 for a short break and reconvened at 10:45.

2017 Proposed Budget – First Reading

Bishop Bell introduced Randy Heise, Diocesan Treasurer. Randy reported that the audits for EDEO are now caught up and 2015's audit will be complete by the end of October. He reviewed the proposed budget for 2017.

Committees

Doug Harder introduced the following Convention Committees:

Nomination Committee

- The Rev. Kathy Macek, La Grande
- Charlie Cagle, Burns
- Randy Heise, Sunriver
- Beth Spell, Canyon City

Nominations would be accepted until 5:00pm on Saturday.

Resolutions Committee

- The Rev. Jed Holdorph, Bend, Chair
- Gregg Henton, Sunriver
- Fabian Baker, Klamath Falls
- G Royes, La Grande

Tellers

- The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake, Baker City
- The Rev. Kathy Macek, La Grande
- Kim McClain, Bend
- Vicki Mosier, Ontario
- Julie Reynolds, The Dalles

Resolutions

Bishop Bell invited Doug Harder, Secretary of Convention, to read General Convention resolutions B011 Amendment of Article II.7, D003 Amendment to Article V and D008 Amendment to Article I.1 to the Constitution.

The Rev. Jed Holdorff, chair of the Resolutions Committee presented the following resolutions to be considered by convention:

Title: CONVENTION SITE ROTATION

Submitted by: Vicki Mosier and Aletha Bonebrake, on behalf of Diocesan Council

BE IT RESOLVED, that future Diocesan Conventions will be on a 3-year rotating schedule between Bend, The Columbia Gorge, and Ascension School; and be it further

RESOLVED, that congregations who would like to host a convention are welcome to volunteer and be placed within the rotation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a Diocesan Convention Committee will be formed and will be in charge of logistical details, easing the burden on local communities.

Explanation:

Eastern Oregon has practiced a wonderful presence of annual Diocesan Conventions at different host sites among our Congregations for decades. In recent times, however, that practice has become more difficult to maintain. For one, many of our Congregations have found it an increasing burden to provide the logistical support to host this event, limiting our choices for hosts. And secondly, this has added to an increased demand on Diocesan staff to organize and manage the Convention. Thirdly, there is an increased issue of booking Convention space and caterers far enough ahead to assure space and best prices.

In order to respond to these issues, and to make the hosting of the Conventions more efficient and cost effective, the Diocesan Council has discussed and proposed this resolution.

Title: Resolution Title: Archivist/Historian Officer

Revision to section 2, Canon IV, add a new section 5 and renumber Canon IV thereafter

Submitted by: Diocesan Council

Rationale: The Diocesan Offices have frequently moved over the lifetime of this diocese. Diocesan historical materials have been collected in the past by previous historians, but not catalogued, recorded, or stored and are, therefore, marginally accessible for study. Presently the Diocese is grant-funding an Historian/Archivist to ensure preservation of and order to our important records. This canon change adds the requirement for future ongoing oversight and preservation of our historical records, most likely by a volunteer officer similar to Treasurer and Secretary to Convention.

Whereas, Diocesan Council believes that continued ongoing preservation and oversight of Eastern Oregon’s historical records should be ongoing and accountable.

Therefore, be it resolved that section 2 of Canon IV be amended and a new section 5 be added to Canon IV of the Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon to read:

Section 2: The Secretary shall be the registrar of the Diocese, unless another person is appointed to this offices by the Bishop of the Diocese with the approval of Convention.

Section 5:

There shall be an Archivist/Historian of the Diocese appointed (to serve at the pleasure of) the ecclesiastical authority for a term of five (5) years.

The Diocesan Council shall provide funds in the general budget for the expenses incurred by the Archivist/Historian necessary to fulfil the stated duties of this office.

It is the duty of the Archivist/Historian to receive and keep safely all books, documents and manuscripts belonging to the Diocese that are not required to be kept by any other person or officer, and to collect and preserve those materials that can be obtained relative to the history of the Diocese and of particular congregations. The Archivist/Historian shall catalogue and classify all books, documents and papers so as to make their contents accessible for reference and use by persons so desiring.

The Archivist/Historian shall make a report to each annual Convention of the Diocese.

The Archivist/Historian shall have the authority to appoint a committee in order to assist this effort and to make a contact in every congregation

M/S/C *to add the Convention Site Resolution to the 2016 EDEO Convention Agenda for consideration and vote.*

M/S/C *to not consider the Archive Resolution.*

Keynote

Bishop Bell introduced the Rev. Dr. Robert Shore-Goss to present his keynote address to convention. The Rev. Dr. Shore-Goss spoke of the impact that radical hospitality can have on those members of society who are considered outsiders.

Recess

Convention recessed at 12:20. The Rev. Kathy Macek led Noonday Prayer that included a Diocesan Necrology read by Diane Adams. Lunch was served at 12:30

Workshops

Following lunch, Convention reconvened for a workshop lead by The Rev. Dr. Robert Shore-Goss from 1:30 p.m. until 2:45 p.m. Two more workshop sessions followed the Keynote workshop.

3:15 p.m.—4:00 p.m

- Disaster Preparedness, Part 1-led by Judy Warren
- Celebrating Diversity-led by Ruth Tsu
- Celebrating God's Creation in Eastern Oregon-led by Kim McClain
- Communications Workshop-led by Cindy Edwards and Kim Lee
- Building Community-Led by Juli Stratton
- Signs and Symbols of the Diocese-led by Kathy Thew and Beth Spell

4:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m

- Disaster Preparedness Part 2-led by Judy Warren
- Idaho Interfaith Alliance-led by Judy Cross
- Treasurer's Workshop-led by Randy Heise
- Prison Ministry-led by The Rev. Jim Mosier
- Signs and Symbols of the Diocese-led by Kathy Thew and Beth Spell

Banquet

The Banquet was held in the Coe Kerr Community Center at Ascension School. Entertainment was provided by students from the Performing Arts program at Eastern Oregon University.

Clergy and Staff Transitions

Bishop Bell introduced the following people who were beginning new positions in the diocese:

- The Rev. Charlotte Wells, Rector at Church of the Redeemer in Pendleton
- The Rev. Red Stevens, Rector at St. Paul's, The Dalles
- The Rev. Willa Goodfellow has transferred her canonical residence to EDEO.
- The Rev. Lee Kiefer is the new Transitions Minister for EDEO

Bishop Bell introduced the following people who had ended their service to the diocese in the past year:

- The Rev. Anna Carmichael, has taken the position of Canon to the Ordinary in the Diocese of San Joaquin.
- The Rev. Rich Landrith, retired from St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Lakeview, Oregon.
- The Rev. Ted Rodrigues will retire from the Church of the Transfiguration in Sisters, Oregon in January of 2017.
- Matt Carmichael, Archivist for EDEO, has moved to the Diocese of San Joaquin.

Recognitions

Bishop Bell presented Bishop's Crosses to The Rev. Richard and Kathy Thew, The Rev. Kenneth and Sabra Crysler, and The Rev. Lawrence and Anna Ferguson.

Arnold and Jean Coe and Ava Sue and Laurance Kerr, for whom the newly built Coe Kerr Community Center was named, were recognized and honored for their years of service to the diocese.

Patty Olson-Lindsey, Executive Director of Ascension School, presented the Ascension Banner to St. John's, Hermiston, in honor of the tireless work of the The Rev. Chuck and Robin Barnes as members of the Ascension School Board and the work of the parish to get kids to camp.

Sunday, October 19, 2016

Sunday's events were held at Ascension School Camp and Conference Center in Cove, Oregon.

Business Session II

Elections and Confirmations

Officers of the Diocese

Chancellor: Kim Mosier has resigned as Chancellor of EDEO. In the interim James Foster has agreed to provide legal advice to the Bishop.

Treasurer: Randy Heise has been appointed Diocesan Treasurer.

M/S/C *Affirmation of the appointment of Randy Heise as Diocesan Treasurer.*

Ecclesiastical Disciplinary Board:

Class of 2019: The Rev. Jed Holdorph, Bend
 The Rev. Charlotte Wells, Pendleton
 Prudi Sherman, Ontario
 Nick Kirby, Hood River

M/S/C *Approval of the appointment of The Rev. Jed Holdorph, The Rev. Charlotte Wells, Prudi Sherman, and Nick Kirby to the Ecclesiastical Disciplinary Board, Class of 2019.*

Commission on Ministry

Class of 2019: Kathy Thew
 Beth Spell
 The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake
 David Silva

M/S/C *Approval of the appointment of Kathy Thew, The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake, and Beth Spell to the Commission on Ministry, Class of 2019.*

Standing Committee-Clergy

The Rev. Mary Lujan was elected by unanimous ballot to the Standing Committee, Class of 2019.

Standing Committee-Lay

Mary Link was elected by unanimous ballot to the Standing Committee, Class of 2019.

Diocesan Council-Clergy

The Rev. Charlotte Wells was elected by unanimous ballot to the Diocesan Council Class of 2019.

Diocesan Council-Lay

Candidates for Diocesan Council were introduced. Beth Spell, St. Thomas', Canyon City, and Adrienne Brown, Transfiguration, Sisters were elected by written ballot.

General Convention-Clergy

Candidates for 2018 General Convention Deputies, Clergy Order were introduced. The Rev. Nancy Sargent Green-Sunriver, The Rev. Jed Holdorph-Bend, The Rev. Janet Warner-Prineville, and The Rev. Roy Green-Hood River and Sunriver were elected by unanimous ballot.

General Convention-Lay

Candidates for 2018 General Convention Deputies, Lay Order were introduced. Randy Heise-Sunriver, Kim McClain-Bend, Terry Rahmsdorff-Bend, Ruth Tsu-Hood River were elected by written ballot. Peggy Ziegler-Bend will be the 1st Alternate and Helen Keefe-Sisters will be the 2nd alternate.

Budget Second Reading

Randy Heise presented the 2017 EDEO budget for approval.

M/S/C *Approval of the 2017 Diocesan Budget.*

Reports

Ascension School Camp and Conference Center

Patty Olson-Lindsey, Executive Director of Ascension School Camp and Conference Center, gave short report on status of the Capital Campaign and the plans for ongoing projects and programing at Ascension School.

Episcopal Relief and Development

Bruce Barnes, EDEO's Episcopal Relief and Development Coordinator presented a report to convention about the ongoing work of Episcopal Relief and Development and explained the purpose and process of the Asset Mapping project.

Resolutions

The Rev. Jed Holdorph presented the Convention Site resolution for a vote by convention.

M/S/C

Approval of the "Convention Site Resolution" as presented.

Courtesy Resolutions

The Rev. Jed Holdorph read the following Courtesy Resolutions:

As our gathering this weekend for the 46th Convention of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon has been an example of hospitality shared with the whole diocesan family, be it

Resolved, that the attendees of the 46th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon give thanks to the congregation of St. Peter's, La Grande, and their rector, the Reverend Kathy Macek, for their generous hospitality this weekend; and be it further

Resolved, that the attendees of the 46th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon give thanks to Patty Lindsey and the staff at Ascension Camp and Conference Center, together with the Ascension Board, for their generous hospitality this weekend; and be it further

Resolved, that the attendees of the 46th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon give thanks to Val Royes and Kathy Thew, co-chairs of this year's Diocesan Convention Committee, and to all those drawn in to support our gathering this year.

As our gathering this weekend for the 46th Convention of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon has been a charge to all of us to take our place as ministers of the Good News of Jesus Christ, be it

Resolved, that the laity and clergy of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon extend greetings and appreciation to the Most Reverend Michael Curry, for his witness to the world, for his leadership for all our Church, and for his call to all of us to take our part in the Jesus Movement; and be it further

Resolved, that the clergy and laity of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon give thanks to the Rt. Reverend Patrick Bell, 8th Bishop of our Diocese, for accepting the call to live among us as our bishop, for his grace and good humor, and for his leadership in calling our congregations to be places where true hospitality is offered; and be it further

Resolved, that the attendees of the 46th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon give thanks to all those who have presented workshops to support our growth in love and service in our churches and in the world, with special appreciation offered for the teachings and the witness of our guests this weekend, Juli Stratton and Judy Cross; and be it further

Resolved, that the attendees of the 46th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon give thanks to our keynote speaker, the Reverend Robert Shore-Goss, for his prophetic call to us to enlarge our vision of what it means to be sanctuaries in our world, for his reminder of the radical demands of open tables after the example of Jesus, and for being a proverbial "gay nephew" among us, adding "spice and life" to our family.

Unfinished Business

Bishop Bell invited the following Commission Chairs to give short reports on the work of their Commissions:

Kim McClain, Environmental Justice
Jim Mosier, Prison Ministry
Ruth Tsu, Commission on Celebrating Diversity

Bill Taylor asked for an amendment to the EFM Report located in the Pre-Convention Journal to include members from Pendleton.

The Rev. Steve Schafroth spoke briefly about the Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon 2016 Voter's Guide to Oregon Ballot Measures. The Rev. Nancy Sargent Green is a board member of EMO.

M/S/C Approval to designate ½ of the Convention Eucharist for ERD Disaster Relief in Haiti to assist with recovery from Hurricane Matthew.

Time and Place of Convention

Bishop Bell announced the following locations and dates for upcoming Diocesan Conventions:

- 47th annual Diocesan Convention will be hosted by Trinity in Bend October 13-15, 2017
- 48th Diocesan Convention will be held in the Columbia Gorge October 12-14, 2018
- 49th Diocesan Convention will be held at Ascension School October 11-13, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m. Convention adjourned following the Eucharist.

Convention Eucharist

The Eucharist service followed at 10:30 a.m. in the Coe Kerr Community Center at Ascension School. The Rev. Dr. Robert Shore-Goss preached the sermon and Bishop Bell presided.

The service included the dedication of the Coe Kerr Community Center.

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Bishop's Address

Cove 2016

"Open Hearts + Open Table: Practicing Radical Hospitality"

By The Rt. Rev. Patrick W. Bell

Opening Remarks

It is my profound privilege to be standing before you this evening as your Bishop, and as your friend. While I have gathered with many of you on several such occasions before, I do so this time with a much deeper sense of admiration and gratitude for Rusty, and others like him, who have been called to stand before all of you and attempt to speak some word of truth and vision.

I am particularly mindful of the space in which we will be gathering this weekend - the grounds of Ascension School and the very new new structure wherein we will gather. From the 1880's until now, Ascension School has been set aside for the intentional purpose of learning: a spiritual haven for growth and renewal, truly a "place apart". Into that place we will gather again, in order to know and grow within the loving embrace of the Creator and the Creation. I must admit there is nowhere else I would rather begin my time with you as Bishop, gathered together as the Diocese, then in that Holy Space.

We must offer our deepest gratitude to all those who have made this Diocesan space possible, persons bearing the names including French, Remington, Perkins, Kimsey and now Coe & Kerr, and to thousands of others living into three centuries; and also to all of you, for while this space may be precious and bearing of rich history, without you and your presence it would mean nothing. For you being here, and being faith-full and passion-full and hope-full, is what makes us a Diocese, a people of God, followers of Jesus in the Way.

And allow me to mention my special thanks to The Rev. Kathy Macek, and to the good people of St. Peter's, LaGrande, and especially Val Royes and Kathy Thew as chairs for this Convention, for this hosting us this evening and throughout this weekend.

Introduction

Allow me to draw your attention to the bookmarks included in your registration materials. This outlines a frequently used model addressing the work around congregational development, which is an intentional effort to equip congregational leaders, both lay and clergy, to support vital, dynamic, life-changing congregations. It is a model which I intend to hold before us over the next several years as a framework for our ongoing discussion, training, and implementation. It is within that framework, and attention to how we gather, that this year's Convention is set.

I hope you might have asked yourself the questions: Why hospitality? Why address it now?

As I hope to make clear in this address, and as I am confident our dear guest and speaker, The Rev. Dr. Robert Shore-Goss, will elucidate much more deeply tomorrow, an intentional practice of hospitality within our congregational and personal settings, and within our larger interactions with all people and all of creation, can be a significant response in correcting so much in our current condition which is tearing apart the fabric of human kindness.

If you look up the history of the usage of the word hospitality, you will find that during the late 19th century and during much of the 20th, the use of this word or concept was minimal. Only in recent memory has hospitality as a core Gospel mandate begun to be resurrected and taken back as a serious practice of the followers of Jesus. And more than that, as you just heard in the reading of the Gospel which we have chosen to guide us throughout this weekend, we are invited to a radical interpretation of hospitality because it is a practice that will challenge and stretch us beyond our normal expectations.

Now this is no small matter: we live in a time where the human condition, which tends toward a marked self-preservation and identity, has moved us toward a kind of social Balkanization, where what divides us is so much more easily identified than what unites us. We see it in so many dispensations, whether in how we respond to our current Presidential race, or in the Black Lives Matter movement, or the acceptance of transgender persons, in responses to the prevalence of gun violence. At the very core of each of these issues is, I believe, a basic fear - a fear of "the other", the one who is unknown and different from me, the one by whom I feel threatened.

In the process, people are being tainted, taunted, targeted as the "other", the stranger, the alien, and therefore unwelcome: feared, they become dangerous to the "us", becoming the potential enemy and threat, be they a person of color, an immigrant, or one who dresses or worships differently than the assumed norm. They become the unwashed and unwelcome.

Jesus speaks so powerfully into our present malaise. He responds to the prejudice and judgment of his own day yet his teaching time warps into our own. Let us make no mistake, the parable of the Great Banquet speaks powerfully to our present day situation.

This is Not Your Grandmother's Hospitality

Our fondest images of what hospitality represents may well be that of joining a friend or loved one for tea with those precious China cups and teapot. Our minds might be filled with the image of visiting the Crawley family at Downton Abbey for afternoon tea in the library. But this is not the hospitality of which the Biblical times speak. The hospitality gathering which we want to address this weekend is something totally beyond such niceties.

This is a matter of radical departure from the social norms governing sit downs with family and friends.

The most prevalent Biblical term translated as hospitality is a compound word in Greek, *philoxenos*. The word *philo* - meaning love as in for one's friend, or fondness for, even tending to; and *zenos* meaning the stranger, or alien. Thus, it is literally a "love for the stranger". And consequently, a much different thing from our normal expectation.

Entertaining the stranger requires a certain level of uncertainty. Strangers may well not evidence predictable behavior we would expect from family or friends, from those "like us". For this reason, hospitality so practiced is fraught with complications. It is a practice which might well stretch us into unfamiliar and even uncomfortable territory.

Further, this kind of hospitality in ancient times meant providing shelter, respite, and thus sanctuary. It meant taking responsibility for the very life of the stranger.

In modern times, the life saving aspect may not be borne out as obvious, but may be no less important. The life we are called to protect may not, though still could be, the physical life as much as the inner life. The Benedictine Rule is heavily invested in the role of practicing hospitality, a significant piece of which is that a stranger seeking care within their fold is not just fed and housed, but nurtured. The stranger is accompanied - joined at meals, invited to find voice and companionship, to be known as a person. Not just a statistic of one fed and clothed, the stranger is made to feel a part of the community, as one beloved.

It is an act of welcoming that not only opens our heart to the stranger, but intends to open the heart of the stranger to the new community.

Such a paradigm shift to actually practice what this hospitality means requires open hearts and minds to be transformed.

As Father Dan Homan and Lonni Pratt explain in their book, Radical Hospitality: Benedict's Way of Love, the kind of practice of which we speak is "an action intended to make a change or adjustment in the deepest realm of the self". To engage in intentional spiritual practice like the hospitality we are proposing this weekend is both a risk and an opportunity: the risk is that we will be changed, transformed into someone better, and the opportunity is, well, that we will be transformed, changed into someone better.

Sometimes, it happens in spite of us.

A Story - The Bishop and the Bumblebee

"Many, many years ago I was a part of a group who decided to practice hospitality for the Bishop who was coming that weekend for his first visitation in my time as the newly called Rector of St. Matthew's in Ontario. A number of men in the congregation, knowing of the Bishop's penchant for fishing, arranged for us to host a trek to Brownlee Reservoir for some crappy fishing. There were enough guys involved that we took two boats, and I was invited to join my new Bishop in one of those, with the expressed intent that it would be a wonderful opportunity for me to get

to know Rusty Kimsey. I was, as might be expected, a bit nervous. I wanted not only to be on my best behavior with some hope to impress this man of significant repute, but I especially did not want to show myself a poor fisherman!

What stands out to me in that afternoon of hospitality was the profound learning that came my way . In the course of our constant casting and lack of catching anything that afternoon I was getting a bit flustered and bored. To avert my attention for a moment, a late season bumblebee of some notable size happened to seize the edge of our boat for some needed rest. I looked down on this intrepid creature and without giving a moments thought did what I was usually want to do as a unthoughtful farm boy encountering such a being, I swiped at it quickly sending it toppling into the brown waters of the reservoir. I barely even looked after it as I pulled my line in for another cast and the slow moving waters moved this now trapped creature past me toward the front of our anchored boat. Moments later, though, my attention was drawn to our Bishop, who was fishing from the bow, but who had placed his pole on the deck and was reaching back to take the paddle from its resting place. No words were spoken, but I wondered what in the world he was doing. Until I saw him so so carefully reaching far outside the boat and sliding the paddle under the water, and fetching floating the bumblebee I had so callously sent to its watery grave but a few moments earlier. Rusty gently pulled that magnificent being back to the boat, and carefully rolled it onto the gunnel of the boat. Just as quietly as he had started, he returned the paddle and went back to fishing. Never a word was uttered, but he had spoken volumes to me.

In shame and remorse I returned to my fishing, but ever changed by the exposure to that sacred moment of hospitality. It was the beginning of a radical change in me over many years to completely alter how I treated not only people, but all of God's creation. It was the beginning of a change in spiritual practice that has real and concrete implications."

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner!

Many of you are of the age to remember the 1967 Oscar winning and star studded movie of this name. If not, or if you have forgotten, allow me to remind you of the plot. A young woman, Joey Drayton, has recently become engaged during a vacation in Hawaii, and she is returning home to San Francisco to introduce her fiancé, a physician of international repute, to her parents. Her mother owns an art gallery, and her father is the publisher of a major newspaper. Both present themselves as open, progressive and liberal people. And such is the way they raised their daughter. The twist in the film, implied in the title, is that Joey's fiancé is black. A small fact unknown to her parents. And in addition, the widowed Dr. John Prentice has invited his parents, who are unaware that Joey is white, to join them all for dinner. Guess who is coming, and guess the ensuing conversations which provide the grist for the duration of the film.

Now keep in mind - interracial marriage was illegal in 17 states up until just six months before the release of this film. The very topic of the film created a monstrous stir. (Having Katherine

Hepburn, Spencer Tracy and Sidney Poitier in lead roles did at least give credence to the discussion.)

It is worth noting that a significant religious element played out in the movie in the personal friend of the Joey's parents, who were Roman Catholics - the elder Monsignor Ryan, a gentle and humorous liberal himself, who serves to prod the Draytons to remember their idealistic appeals for acceptance. He may well serve a timely reminder to us that we need to match what we preach with what we practice.

What this film raised in its day and age represents much of what we address in our call to practice what is radical about hospitality.

Craig Dykstra, professor of practical theology at Duke Divinity School, in his book, Growing in the Life of Faith, makes clear what practice on this context truly means:

"Christian practices are not activities we do to make something spiritual happen in our lives. Nor are they duties we undertake to be obedient to God. Rather, they are patterns of communal action that create openings in our lives where the grace, mercy, and presence of God may be made known to us. They are places where the power of God is experienced. In the end, these are not ultimately our practices but forms of participation in the practice of God."

He goes on to explain that Christian practices are things Christian people do together to address basic human needs; they call us to join together with one another, and with Jesus to share in a movement that is "spilling over with the Life of God for creation, for our neighbors, and for ourselves."

Possibly his most challenging and helpful proposal in our discussion today is the reflection on how the Christian practice of hospitality might provide a way of "exploring the relations between spirituality and social justice." It is my intent to further make this connection during my remarks, and I am most confident it will become even more apparent as our time goes on this weekend.

If Christian practices are a means for us to collectively open the door for God's spirit to become engaged with us in everyday life, then we must open our hearts to become so engaged.

The Gospel of Jesus invites - nay, commands - that we prepare to host the very ones who will cause eyebrows to raise: more often than not, likely our own. It is a mandate to open our tables to the very people who will challenge our presumptions and judgments, even when we claim to be so liberal in our approach to do so. It is a call to welcome, even to seek, those who are most marginalized, or even demonized.

We all have that "someone" who challenges our boldest pronouncement against being judgmental. There is a stranger out there who will catch us unaware in our own incompleteness - a one who surprises us in our attitude of discomfort: a woman dressed in a hijab, an unwashed

homeless person in tatters, a man in camos sporting an NRA emblem, someone espousing Black Lives Matter, a transgender person, any vocal member of a political party.

This hospitality is more than just an invitation to feed those whom Karl Barth calls our "near and distant neighbor". This is about sitting down with them. It is about becoming identified with them through getting to know their story. Of truly knowing the one, the other. Radical means such welcome as that which seeks to make this stranger a friend. It is about making the other one with us. Us, one with them. It is about doing more than just extending a paddle into the mess of their lives and lifting them out for a moment - it is about setting them down right next to us, so that we might nurture them back to a place where they might fly off again on their journey in life.

The result of such radical attention to others is not just what it accomplishes for them, but possibly, and even more telling, what it does for us. It opens us to the work of God within us, making us more who God calls us to be, for our borders are enlarged, our vistas enlightened. We are changed in the practice of offering hope and comfort to the other. It is a breaking down in our hearts the judgments we make of others so that we truly sit together at table as one.

In our tradition, in our practice, one of the major ways we honor this imperative of practice is the invitation to the the thanksgiving, to Eucharist. Elizabeth Newman, in her work entitled Untamed Hospitality: Welcoming God and Other Strangers, argues that it is in our worship, especially as we gather around the table, that we fully participate in the divine hospitality. She focuses on the "Eucharist as a place of hospitality and unity" for the very reason that our practice of such across so many expressions of the faith is actually the point at which our lack of unity is most obvious. In her words, "It is possible to sing hymns together, listen to preaching together, and even (with some exceptions) acknowledge each other's baptism. It is now not possible, however, for Protestants, Catholics, and Orthodox to commune together at the Lord's Table."

The very central act of our COMMON faith becomes the central sign of our disunity. It becomes the very place wherein we cannot offer the hospitality mandated by Jesus to be the sign of our common life.

Sharing in Eucharist is also an act of hospitality that occurs well beyond our table, and when it does, it speaks deep truth back to us about our a common, and open, table.

A Story - Gate A-4 by Naomi Shihab Nye:

"Wandering around the Albuquerque Airport Terminal, after learning my flight had been delayed four hours, I heard an announcement: "If anyone in the vicinity of Gate A-4 understands any Arabic, please come to the gate immediately." Well— one pauses these days. Gate A-4 was my own gate. I went there.

An older woman in full traditional Palestinian embroidered dress, just like my grandma wore, was crumpled to the floor, wailing. “Help,” said the flight agent. “Talk to her . What is her problem? We told her the flight was going to be late and she did this.”

I stooped to put my arm around the woman and spoke haltingly. “Shu-dow-a, shu-bid-uck, habibti? Stani schway, min fadlick, shu-bit-se-wee?” The minute she heard any words she knew, however poorly used, she stopped crying. She thought the flight had been cancelled entirely. She needed to be in El Paso for major medical treatment the next day. I said, “No, we’re fine, you’ll get there, just late, who is picking you up? Let’s call him.”

We called her son, I spoke with him in English. I told him I would stay with his mother till we got on the plane. She talked to him. Then we called her other sons just for the fun of it. Then we called my dad and he and she spoke for a while in Arabic and found out of course they had ten shared friends. Then I thought just for the heck of it why not call some Palestinian poets I know and let them chat with her? This all took up two hours.

She was laughing a lot by then. Telling about her life, patting my knee, answering questions. She had pulled a sack of homemade mamool cookies— little powdered sugar crumbly mounds stuffed with dates and nuts— from her bag and was offering them to all the women at the gate. To my amazement, not a single traveler declined one. It was like a sacrament. The traveler from Argentina, the mom from California, the lovely woman from Laredo— we were all covered with the same powdered sugar. And smiling. There is no better cookie.

Then the airline broke out free apple juice and two little girls from our flight ran around serving it and they were covered with powdered sugar too. And I noticed my new best friend— by now we were holding hands— had a potted plant poking out of her bag, some medicinal thing, with green furry leaves. Such an old country traveling tradition. Always carry a plant. Always stay rooted to somewhere.

And I looked around that gate of late and weary ones and thought, This is the world I want to live in. The shared world. Not a single person in that gate— once the crying of confusion stopped— seemed apprehensive about any other person. They took the cookies. I wanted to hug all those other women too.

This can still happen anywhere. Not everything is lost."

This is the world I want to live in as well. A world where we are all rooted in a place where we ALL belong. A place we can call home.

Remember John Denver's signature song from 1971?

Country Roads, Take Me Home, To the Place I Belong

I am convinced that deep within our very DNA is that longing to belong. To be a part with others in community, and a community which has purpose.

We are not alone in that, but together.

At the very heart of the Christian understanding is an awareness that we are all strangers in our own home: "this fragile earth, own island home" as Eucharistic prayer C puts it. Not that we should be - our story tells us that we were placed in this home by our Creator, who saw and pronounced it as "good!" But we have become foreigners to our own place as the beloved of God.

As in the parable which will guide us this weekend, we are often like those first invited to the banquet, those who are promised to be the guests. But we allow other things to distract us. And we miss the gift.

But the paradox in the Christian story is that we are also at the same time the hosts, who are called to extend the welcome far and wide. To go into the country roads and invite, even compel those who are seeking to come home as the beloved.

Jesus himself was stranger and host. Saying in one place to the church, "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me."

And in another, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

Conclusion

We used a slogan for many years at my former parish, St. Luke's Coeur d'Alene, that spoke succinctly of what we about this weekend: "There is a place at the table for you."

We are called as guests, and as hosts, to enlarge our table. As we consider during this weekend ways in which our communal practice will respond to this Gospel mandate, allow me to offer some of my thoughts on how we might engage in radical hospitality in our ministry together in Eastern Oregon:

- Disaster Relief: the need is coming; will we be ready? (Judy Warren, and Bruce Barnes. ERD)

- Our Commissions: Environmental Justice. (Kim McClain)
Celebrating Diversity. (Ruth Tsu)
Prison Ministry. (Jim Mosier)

- Our Congregations: Welcoming Committees, including integration

- Our Convention: a committee to discern and dream about new structure
- Our Ministry and Mission: How do we combine ministry development with Congregational development
- Ascension School: how'd of we utilize this phenomenal resource of nature, of space to welcome people, maybe even immigrants
- Latino communities: what radical welcome could we offer

In closing, let us offer ourselves in response to this radical call by sharing together in this old gospel hymn:

"Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling—
Calling for you and for me;
Patiently Jesus is waiting and watching—
Watching for you and for me!
Come home! come home!
Ye who are weary, come home!
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
Calling, Beloved, come home!"

Minutes from the EOEF Annual Meeting

The Eastern Oregon Episcopal Foundation

October 7, 2016

St Peter's, La Grande

Present

The Right Rev. Patrick Bell			Trustee, Chairperson
Laurence Kerr	St. Paul's	The Dalles	Trustee
Dave Keeler	Redeemer	Pendleton	Trustee
Joel Bigelow	St. Stephen's	Baker City	Trustee
Don Scott	St. Alban's	Redmond	Trustee
Janeal Booren	St. Paul's	The Dalles	Trustee
G Royes	St. Peter's	La Grande	Trustee

Certified voting members who signed in for the Annual Meeting

1. Beth Bigelow	St. Stephen's	Baker City
2. Terry Rahmsdorff	Trinity	Bend
3. Charlie Cagle	St. Andrew's	Burns
4. Karen Anderson	St. John's	Hermiston
5. Fabian Baker	St. Paul's	Klamath Falls
6. Patricia Phillips	St. Luke's	Lakeview
7. Sue Powers	St. Mark's	Madras
8. Marty Nyman	St. James'	Milton Freewater
9. Vicki Mosier	St. Matthew's	Ontario
10. Mary Link	All Saint's	Sunriver
11. Niki Piacente	St. Paul's	The Dalles

Other Annual Meeting attendees (visitors are always welcome)

1. Gard Ericksen	St. Alban's	Redmond
2. Gretchen Kimsey	St. Paul's	The Dalles
3. Red Steven's	St. Paul's	The Dalles
4. Karen Bounds	St. John's	Hermiston

I. Call to Order: Bishop Patrick Bell. **Opening Prayer:** Jim Mosier

II. Minutes for Annual Meeting on October 16, 2015 were approved.

III. Election of Trustees. Class of 2016 Outgoing members, Don Scott and Dave Keeler were re-elected to serve until 2019. Gretchen Kimsey was also elected to the Class of 2019.

IV. Financial Report:

- a. Bishop Bell reviewed EOEf Statement of Financial Income and Expense for Jan – Dec 2015 as well as a summary of investments and their growth reported by Wells Fargo Investors.
- b. **Duncan Farm Report:** Dave Keeler gave a report on the activities for the 2015-2016 harvest.
 - . 2015 Wheat sold for: \$40,719.00
 - . 2016 Pea Crop receipts: \$12,453.00
 - . 2016 Baled Straw sales: \$ 375.00
 - . 2016 Monsanto claim: \$ 213.00

V. Bishop's Report:

- a. It was announced that we will hold quarterly meetings for 2017, by phone, in person or on computer.

VI. Discussion:

- a. Gretchen noted that some of the foundation money is from grants and some from loans. Which will make it possible to pay back the costs of the Coe-Kerr building.
- b. Rev, Jim Mosier noted that there were few transactions within the Foundation with few checks being written through the year.
- c. It was suggested that we learn the current update on the loan to Ascension School for the Coe Kerr Community Center...which was for a 10-month period.

VII. Adjournment and closing prayer took place at 5:30 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted:
Virginia Scott, Secretary, St. Alban's - Redmond**

2017 Budget

EDEO Proposed 2017 Budget

	A	G	H	J	K
1					
2	Income				
3		2015	2016	2016	2017
4		Year End	Budget	Projections	Draft Budget
12	Misc. Income	\$ 3,710	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
13					
14	Assessments	\$ 381,627	\$ 365,000	\$ 365,000	\$ 370,000
17					
18	Other Income				
19	Duncan	\$ 12,000	\$ 21,055	\$ 21,055	\$ 10,000
20	Other Income			\$ 3,271	
21	Total Other Income	\$ 12,000	\$ 21,055	\$ 24,326	\$ 10,000
22					
23	Grants/Loan				
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28					
29	Investment Income Distribution	\$ 40,000	\$ 43,000	\$ 43,000	\$ 43,000
30	Carry Over		\$ -	\$ 47,482	\$ 40,153
32					
33	Funds Transfer				
34	Medical Reserve Fund			\$ -	\$ 11,000
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42					
45	Sub Total Income	\$ 460,683	\$ 442,055	\$ 510,258	\$ 501,603
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49	Expenses				
50	The Larger Church				
51	TEC	\$ 50,416	\$ 49,448	\$ 49,448	\$ 48,565
52	EMO	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
53	Province VIII	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,672
54	Theological Education-Support Seminary	\$ 4,200	\$ 4,200	\$ 4,200	\$ 4,200
55	Total Support for Larger Church	\$ 53,916	\$ 57,248	\$ 57,248	\$ 56,437
56					
57	Offerings				
59	MDG's	\$ 2,730	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800
62	Total Offerings	\$ 2,730	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800	\$ 2,800
63					
64	Ministry Support				
65	Commission on Ministry	\$ 972	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
66	Communications and Promotion	\$ 14,546	\$ 18,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000
67	Conferences and Memberships	\$ 1,400	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
68	Lambeth Reserve	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
69	Congregational Support	\$ 271	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
70	Consultants and Speakers	\$ 2,560	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
71	Convention & Journal	\$ 3,875	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
72	Diocesan Council/Standing Committee	\$ 13,408	\$ 11,800	\$ 11,800	\$ 11,800
73	Faith Formation/Continuing Ed.	\$ 8,012	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
74	Diocesan Commissions	\$ 2,999	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,200	\$ 6,000
75	Disaster Preparedness and Response	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
76	General Convention Reserve	\$ 8,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000
77	Canonical Training	\$ 421	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
79	Youth Reserve	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
81	Staff Expense	\$ 4,954	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
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85	Bishop-Salary	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000
86	Bishop Travel	\$ 19,732	\$ 19,000	\$ 19,000	\$ 19,000
87	Bishop Expense-Other	\$ 21,165	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 32,000
88	Total Episcopate	\$ 85,897	\$ 96,000	\$ 96,000	\$ 96,000
89					
90	Personnel				
91	Ascension Executive Director	\$ 41,223	\$ 41,223	\$ 42,423	\$ 51,000
92	Ascension Hospitality/Director's Assistant	\$ 26,884	\$ 18,840	\$ 22,000	\$ 30,000
93	Bishop Executive Secretary/Diocesan Admin.	\$ 38,544	\$ 38,544	\$ 40,844	\$ 51,000
94	Communications Specialist	\$ -	\$ 15,080	\$ -	\$ -
95	Office Assistance	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -
96	Lay Staff Compensation Increases	\$ -	\$ 3,480	\$ -	\$ -
97	Payroll Taxes	\$ 12,164	\$ 15,200	\$ 15,200	\$ 17,160
98	Pension	\$ 9,547	\$ 8,900	\$ 8,900	\$ 11,880
99					
100	Personnel Medical and Life Insurance				
101	Retiree Supplemental Insurance	\$ 16,278	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000
102	Lay Staff Medical Insurance	\$ 6,234	\$ 6,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 25,920
103	Life Insurance	\$ 1,043	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
104	Medical Reimbursement Reserve	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
105	Total Personnel	\$ 156,917	\$ 171,467	\$ 160,567	\$ 204,160
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Convention Committee Appointments

Nominations Committee: (Task: to recruit and encourage candidates for open positions on Diocesan Council and Standing Committee, with a focus on encouraging representation from each Convocation.)

The Rev. Kathy Macek, Diocesan Council	St. Peter's, La Grande
Randy Heise, Diocesan Council	All Saint's, Sunriver
Beth Spell, Diocesan Council	St. Thomas, Canyon City
Charlie Cagle, Standing Committee	St. Andrew's, Burns
The Rev. Anna Carmichael, Standing Committee	St. Mark's, Hood River

Resolutions: (Task: to evaluate resolutions and present them to the Convention, with recommendation for action, or, in some cases to return them to their makers. The Committee does not have to deal with the resolutions that are introduced with various reports. The Committee also prepares Courtesy Resolutions. The Committee may also respond to the Bishop's Address, proposing action by Convention and the diocese in the form of recommendations or resolutions, as appropriate.)

The Rev. Jed Holdorph-Chair	Trinity, Bend
Fabian Baker	St. Paul's, Klamath Falls
Gregg Henton	All Saint's, Sunriver
G Royes	St. Peter's, La Grande

Tellers: (Task: to distribute items including ballots and to count ballots and report elections to the President of the Convention.) (Need 6)

The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake	St. Stephen's, Baker City
The Rev. Kathy Macek	St. Peter's, La Grande
Kim McClain	Trinity, Bend
Vicki Mosier	St. Matthew's, Ontario
Julie Reynolds	St. Paul's, The Dalles
Jim Spell	St. Thomas, Canyon City

Convention Offering: (Task: to recommend recipients of the Convention offerings.)

Diocesan Council has accepted appointment as the Convention Offering Committee and has designated half of the 2016 Convention offering go to support Koinonia House at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande and half to ERD Disaster Relief, specifically designated for Louisiana Flood Relief.

Time and Place of Convention: (Task: to decide host congregations and time and place of future conventions.)

Trinity Episcopal Church, Bend

October 13-15, 2017

REPORTS
To
CONVENTION

Archive Project Report

Thank you for allowing me to serve these last three years as the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon's Archivist and Historiographer. I am so grateful to all who supported and assisted with the archives project. As most of you know, Anna and I will be moving to Fresno in September as she becomes the Canon to the Ordinary for the Episcopal Diocese of San Joaquin. Thankfully your archives are in much better shape today than when the project began in 2013. The archives office at 601 Union St is more organized, documented and functional than ever before. In my absence, the EDEO's Archives Committee will continue to care for the collection. I am grateful for Georgia Giacobbe's work on the project. Georgia volunteered her time and helped to make the collection what it is today. Georgia is trained in basic archival processing and description and is the most suited to continue working on the collection at this time. I hope that you will consider appointing her to be the EDEO's next Historiographer. I will provide any guidance to the Archives Committee as they continue work on the project. This last year has been very challenging. After completing my thesis and comprehensive exams, I finally graduated with a Master's Degree in History online from Sam Houston State University. I am indebted to the EDEO for supporting me through my graduate program. Over the past year, Georgia and I have sorted, arranged, and accessioned dozens of records and collections. I created a simple database for the archives using an Excel spreadsheet which includes many of Dublin Core's descriptive elements (i.e. title, creator, date, description, content, etc.). In three years, I have recorded over one hundred entries, with each containing detailed information. I hope that future generations will continue to support and utilize the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon's Archives.

Matt Carmichael
Archivist and Historiographer's Report
August, 2016

Ascension School Camp and Conference Center Report to Convention

Happenings at Ascension School Camp and Conference Center,
An essential Ministry of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon

The Coe-Kerr Building:

The landscape of Ascension School has changed over the course of the last year. Construction of the Coe-Kerr building began in January and concluded in July. Beginner's Campers were the first campers to have the honor of using the new space and I think the campers and resource staff were pretty excited about that distinction.

Not only did our youngest campers get to use the building but our oldest campers did too. We held Adult Education August 4-7 with our Keynote, The Rt. Rev. Katharine Jefferts-Schori. I had an attendee at Adult Ed. say to me, "you must feel a great sense of satisfaction from seeing this building completed?" My answer of course was "yes". I do hope all of you will have a great sense of satisfaction too.

People's hopes and dreams for Ascension School are that it will continue long into the future as a spiritual home for people of all ages and a place with modern and inviting facilities. The Diocese should be commended for having a vision and then making it happen.

All Things Bright and Beautiful-2016 Summer Program:

Our 2016 summer camp season was a great success. Our numbers increased by 10 campers, putting us at 210 for the youth camps. We had 40 people attend Adult Education and we are committed to growing our adult program offerings. Ascension School gave over \$15,000 in scholarships and the Diocese gave over \$20,000 in scholarships to make sure that all children who wanted to come to camp had the opportunity to attend. Scholarship and recruiting campers are two more ways that we all come together to support Ascension School. We had nearly 20 people volunteer as Resource staff. Resource Staff provides support to the Resident Staff by leading small group activities at camp.

Green House:

The Green House Project, in its 5th year, is continuing to grow with the leadership of Bobby Fossek, Maintenance Coordinator and Gardener. We have started partnering with the OSU extension agency and Oregon Health Science University SNACZ Program. The SNACZ Program provides education around nutrition and helping families access fresh and nutritious food. We will be providing the program fresh vegetables to make available for the community.

Memorial Garden:

The Memorial Garden Committee presented a first draft of the Memorial Garden Policy to Diocesan Council and expects to submit their final policy to Council in November. The irrigation was completed this summer by Steve and Nod Palmer and plants are slated to go in the ground this fall. We are excited this project is coming together so quickly.

Submitted By
Patty Olson Lindsey
Executive Director

Bisbee Fund Ministry Partnership Grant – 2016

Ascension School Camp and Conference Center

Wallowa Adventure Camp

The Bisbee Grant awarded to Ascension School was to be used to start a wilderness backpacking camp. The grant dollars were used to purchase back packing equipment for 6 people. We've also had many generous donations to complete the supplies that we needed to start the program. Our Program Supply Budget is \$5000 and is designated for our other five camping weeks. We would not have been able to start this new program without the support of the Bisbee Grant.

The backpacking camp was scheduled for the last week of July but unfortunately had to be cancelled due to the lack of camp registrations. However, we still trained the resident staff on backpacking and they took a trip into the Eagle Cap Wilderness. The staff spent their time together observing their surroundings and planning what camp might look like next summer. They were all excited to come back and lead next summer's backpacking camp.

The administrative staff has spent quite a bit of time talking about marketing to ensure that we will have enough campers to have a successful camp next year.

The Bisbee Grant has allowed us expand our program offerings and will in the future allow us to reach more young people. We are so grateful for the support from the Bisbee Grant.

Thank you,

Patty Olson Lindsey
Executive Director

2016 Diocesan Council Convention Report

Since the 2015 Diocesan Convention, Council has met five times: two online meetings using Adobe Connect, and three face-to-face meetings. As a rule, each meeting begins with prayer, followed by the approval of the agenda and of the minutes of the previous meeting. The following is a summary of our 2015-16 meetings.

November 13-15 – Annual retreat weekend at Ascension School, Cove

- Bishop Nedi reviewed several items related to Diocesan Council's duties
- Kathy Macek reported on the work of the Transition Committee
- Committee assignments were made:
 - Ascension School Advisory Board Council Member: Julie Reynolds
 - Finance Committee: Randy Heise was appointed to finance committee at Convention
 - Nominations Committee: Karly Nash, Chair; Anna Carmichael, Randy Heise, Beth Spell, Charlie Cagle, Kathy Macek
 - Resolutions Committee: Doug Harder, Chair; Anna Carmichael, Kim McClain, Ann Marie Hardin, Fabian Baker, Jim Mosier (Doug will speak with the General Convention Delegates about being part of this committee.
 - Bisbee Grant Committee: Karly Nash, Julie Reynolds, Aletha Bonebrake
- **Financial Matters**: Jerry Frazier reviewed the 2016 Budget and the process of budget development, including descriptions of the funds that the diocese has and the policy associated with spending any invested funds.
 - Other financial matters discussed: the sale of the rectory in Milton Freewater; the Paddock Fund; and the Retired Clergy Medical Supplement Policy:
 - M/S/C to form a working group consisting of Kathy Macek, Jerry Frazier, and Randy Heise, with Lisa Boquist as support staff, to research and put together a proposal on the future of retired clergy and lay employee benefits by the May diocesan council meeting
 - Motion to change title of budget line to SDG's (Sustainable Development Goals) and to fund at the rate of 1% of EDEO's Net Disposable income and to encourage congregations to join in this venture.
 - St. Paul's Nyssa would like to give the money from the sale of their rectory to Ascension School. Because the funds are from the sale of real property they are now under the discretion of the diocese and therefore the diocese must make the decision on how to use the funds. Several options on how to use the building were discussed. M/S/C that the Nyssa trust funds be used for any ongoing premises expenses or approved programs.
- Kathy Macek was elected as co-chair of Council; Beth Spell was elected as vice-chair of Council
- Bisbee Grants: Karly Nash presented the committee's report with the following recommendations, which were approved by a vote of Council:
 - To fully fund at \$2000 Ascension School's grant for their new Wallowa Adventure back packing camp
 - To deny funding to St. Mark's for their emergency voucher program as it is an existing program and does not meet the guidelines of the grant policy
 - To carry over the remaining grant funds into the next year

- Resolution to Refer Archive Grant to EOE: M/S/C to recommend the Archive Grant to the Eastern Oregon Episcopal Foundation with a 3% raise in stipend from the previous grant to \$1287.50 for a total stipend amount of \$30,900 over two years, for a total grant amount of \$34,900; Julie Reynolds, Georgia Giacobbe, and Aletha Bonebrake were appointed as the archive oversight committee and will check in with archivist Matt Carmichael throughout the year on his progress
- General Convention Resolutions
 - Doug Harder presented a list of resolutions certified by General Convention to be referred to the dioceses and suggested that the resolutions be organized by items that can be handled by the existing diocesan commissions: Commission on Celebrating Diversity, Environmental Justice Commission, and Prison Ministry Commission
 - Georgia Giacobbe volunteered to work on those resolutions that have to do with the 5 Marks of Mission.
- Patty Olson Lindsey gave a report on Ascension School, including the budget, an update on the new building, and a review of other projects
- The August 2015 Council minutes and the 2015 Convention minutes were approved
- Meeting dates were set for the coming year
- Approved resolutions on those authorized to sign checks on the Diocesan US Bank and CB Financial accounts
- Reaffirmed the Resolution on Housing Allowance for Bishop Nedi, as had been passed Nov. 12, 2011
- Clergy salaries: Recommended the 2015 ELCA Clergy Salary Recommendations to EDEO and its parishes
- Bishop Nedi gave her report, which included information on sabbaticals

December 19 – Adobe Connect

- There was only one item to consider: M/S/C: To approve Ascension School moving forward with construction of the new building and to confirm Bishop Rivera signing the contract

January 30 – Adobe Connect

- Report from Jerry Frazier on a conversation with Ken Quigley of the Episcopal Church Foundation: Jerry reviewed the Enabling Resolution, with the changes that were advised by Kim Mosier. It was decided that further conversation with ECF needed to happen regarding how EDEO's money would be invested.
- Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): Aletha referred to council the book by Naomi Klein, *This Changes Everything: Capitalism vs. The Climate*, as a possible theme or tool in support of the Environment theme; M/S/C To support of Sustainable Development Goal #13 – Climate Action, along with the use of Naomi Klein's book; it was agreed that further examination of this goal and how to achieve it was needed before any funds could be designated
- The process for Standing Committees to approve the election of a bishop was discussed; Kim agreed to send an email as Standing Committee Chair asking other Standing Committees to respond to our request quickly.
- Kathy Macek reported that the Transition Committee was busy with plans for the consecration and evening dinner. Jed reported that there were complications regarding reservations made to utilize the First Presbyterian Church of Bend for the consecration. A lively discussion followed and the matter was referred back to the Transition Committee.

- Ascension School report (by Bishop Nedi on Patty's behalf): The construction contract has been signed; utilities work will begin next week; a fund raising letter went out last week to congregations asking them to consider donating as congregations; Council members were asked to encourage their congregations to participate with a congregational gift to the Ascension School Capital Campaign.
- Clergy Supply Rates: the following rates have been in effect since the policy revision effective January 1, 2013: 1 Liturgy and Sermon \$135.00; 2 Liturgies and Sermon \$185.00; Non-Sunday liturgies (weddings, funerals, liturgies outside Holy Week) \$135.00; Holy Week Liturgies, including Maundy Thursday, Good Friday & Great Vigil \$135.00; Council agreed by consensus to keep the rates the same at this point in time
- Council was asked to revise the Bishop's Housing Resolution to be congruent with the Bishop's pay schedule in 2016; M/S/C approved the Revised Housing Resolution as distributed.
- Council heard a report from Charlie Cagle, Marjorie Thelen, and Beth Spell on how the community is coping with the Malheur occupation. There remain deep divisions within the communities. There has been so much focus (media) on the occupiers and it is the community that is in need our continued prayers. Beth reported that John Day County has suffered from spill over from the Burns area occupation and concerns of many in their area have been complicated by a sheriff who seems to support the occupiers. Bishop Nedi suggested that we might want to find ways to support the healing of our communities.

March 4-5 – Meeting in Bend

- Ruth Tsu gave a report on the Commission on Celebrating Diversity. The current members of the commission are: Matt Littau, Jan Kozak, Anne Scissons, Red Stevens, Beth and Jim Spell, Doug Harder, and Ruth Tsu. The commission has been involved in the following:
 - Presented a workshop at Convention
 - Attended the following workshops: Collins lecture; Workshop on cultural competency; Trinity Institute

Anna requested that the committee keep tabs on what Church Next is offering in the way of racial justice and inform congregations when items related to that might be offered. The Bishop and council expressed their gratitude towards Ruth and the committee for all of the work that they are doing in bringing the issues to the diocese.

- Anna Carmichael reported that Bishop Browning is in the hospital and the family is requesting that there be no phone calls or visits, cards are welcome. Bishop Nedi will visit with the family after the conclusion of the meeting on Saturday.
- Ascension School Report: Patty gave the following updates on events and programs at Ascension School:
 - Construction on the new building has begun with a Ground Breaking Ceremony occurring on Feb. 19, 2016.
 - She submitted a UTO grant on March 4th; Julie Reynolds assisted with that process.
 - Ascension School received a 30,000 matching grant for the new building and they are working on appealing to congregations to participate in that challenge.
 - The staff is busy planning for Summer Camp and Adult Education; Bishop Katherine Jefferts-Schori will be the speaker at this year's adult ed. and they have received over 30 registrations already.
 - The theme for this year's summer camp program is All Things Bright and Beautiful, using a curriculum written by Beth Bejorski, focusing on caring for God's creation.

- There will be no Cursillo this year but there will be a team retreat at Ascension School.
- Work Weekend is Memorial Day weekend and will now be called Labor of Love Weekend. The
- Creative Space weekend has been postponed until next spring.
- Bishop-elect Bell gave some remarks about his excitement at being our next bishop and his appreciation for the leadership that Bishop Nedi has given in the diocese.
- Patty Lindsey and Lisa Boquist reported on the year end numbers for 2015 and reviewed the 2016 budget. Council asked that a column be created in the budget that shows any amendments that were made by council. Patty indicated that she would add that column and have it ready for the May meeting.
 - There was a short discussion about planning for the future of the archive project.
 - Randy Heise reported that there has been an account line added titled carryover and the finance committee is still exploring moving that into the budget.
 - Jerry Frazier announced that he has officially retired from the position of Diocesan Treasurer and this would be his final meeting. The bishop and the council thanked him for his many years of service.
 - Since Jerry and Bishop Nedi are retiring, resolutions were passed revising the signature authorities for the Diocesan US Bank account and the Diocesan CB Financial account, and the Wells Fargo Advisors investment account.
 - M/S/C electing Randy Heise as the new Diocesan Treasurer effective at noon March 5, 2016.
 - Finance Committee reviewed the Bishop's Discretionary Fund and found nothing out of the ordinary and the funds have been used appropriately. Council advised that a diocesan policy on the use of the Bishop Discretionary Fund should be created.
- Kim McClain reported that Standing Committee and Bishop-elect Bell had reached an agreement on his Letter of Agreement and invited Council to gather in the sanctuary for the official signing of the document. Kim also gave an update on the status of the consents: 7 consents from Standing Committees had been received so far and there are 56 required for a majority.
- Doug Harder reported on the Resolutions referred from General Convention. He has divided them into sections depicting resolutions that we have already been working on in relation to the commissions that already exist in our diocese. The report on EDEO's actions needs to be sent to the General Convention office by December 1, 2017. Some of these resolutions will also need to be read at Diocesan Convention in October.
- Resolution on the 7th Bishop of Eastern Oregon: Bishop-elect Pat put forth the following resolution which was unanimously approved by council:

*The Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon
The Right Reverend Bavi Edna "Nedi" Rivera Resolution
March 5, 2016*

*Submitted by: Standing Committee & Diocesan Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon
Whereas the episcopate is the collective body of all the bishops of a diocese, the term is also used to refer to the status and term in office of an individual bishop; and
Whereas the historical episcopate comprises all the bishops who are in valid Apostolic Succession, and this succession is transmitted from each bishop to their successors by the rite of Holy Orders; and
Whereas the first four bishops of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon were appointed by the House of Bishops and not elected; and*

Whereas the Rt. Rev. Bavi Edna “Nedi” Rivera was elected by Diocesan Convention on May 23, 2009 in Cove, Oregon to serve as Provisional Bishop and had already gone through the consent process for her position as Bishop Suffragan in the Diocese of Olympia; and

Whereas the Rt. Rev. Bavi Edna “Nedi” Rivera has served the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon for seven plus years following the Rt. Rev. William Gregg, 6th Bishop of Eastern Oregon; therefore

Be it resolved that, by unanimous consent, the Standing Committee and Diocesan Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon names the Rt. Rev. Bavi Edna “Nedi” Rivera as the 7th Bishop of this diocese.

- Kathy Macek gave an update on the Transition Committee’s work in planning the Ordination events for April 15th and 16th.
- Bishop Nedi gave her final address to council and thanked the council and Jerry Frazier for being such wonderful partners in her ministry to EDEO.

May 6-7 – Meeting in Hood River

- Anna Carmichael reported that a Tippet, given to Bishop Kimsey by Lyle French, was found in the EDEO archives and was recently given to Bishop Pat.
- Bishop Pat explained that as a result of working collaboratively with staff, they had determined that in order to improve efficiencies, it was essential to make some changes in the diocesan office culture. The council worked together to establish a list of council group norms and expectations that all agree to honor. Eric Law’s guide for respectful communications was offered as a standard.
- Bishop Pat gave a report on his first few weeks “on the job.” He commended the diocesan staff for their exemplary work. On June 10th the Commission on Ministry will meet to discuss how the diocese will address our efforts in furthering Presiding Bishop Michael’s challenge to engage in the “Jesus Movement.” We intend to find new ways to enhance our efforts in evangelism and with stewardship and planned giving around the diocese. He then opened the floor for questions.
- Discussion ensued regarding the Ascension Board’s unanimous recommendation to name the new community building after Arnold and Jean Coe and Laurence and Ava Kerr. M/S/C naming new building at Ascension School: Coe Kerr Community Center
- Charlie Cagle reported on the High Desert Biomass Cooperative District Energy System, in which St. Andrew’s is participating. It is expected that the church will benefit by a 40 percent reduction in their heating bill; they will be able to switch back to oil, maintained in their tank, if necessary. However, the goal is to move away from the use of oil. Initially the church plans on utilizing an UTO grant and perhaps additional EOEF support if necessary.
- Finance Report: Plan to move Finance Meetings from a week after to two weeks before Council Meetings to facilitate the use of a current balance and summary forecast at the meetings. Extensive discussion regarding use of the current audit firm and the history of not being able to bring the audits to current year. The audit firm has done an adequate job – however they have been excessively slow and have not brought the diocese audits current over a period of years. It is the consensus of council that a written guarantee from the firm is needed for the audits 2009 and 2010 and that by this August we are totally prepared to begin 2011 converted to QuickBooks. Council authorizes Randy Heise as EDEO Treasurer to use his judgment in negotiating with the audit firm to bring the current audit process through 2010 and subsequent periods or terminate contracts or agreements with the firm on August 15, 2016 if he feels that to be necessary.
- Council discussed the necessity for Bishop Pat to modify the guest room in his home to accommodate an office for the diocesan work he will need to do while not within the

diocese. Randy has determined that the remodel is not an asset that will violate business practices and this expenditure would be less than other examples within the diocese in the past. Council authorized the expenditure of up to \$7,000.00 for the remodel of Bishop Patrick Bell's guest room for use of the space as a home office for diocesan work.

- Kathy Macek reported on plans for Diocesan Convention: Friday evening will be held at St. Peter's La Grande. Saturday and Sunday will be at Ascension. ELCA Lutheran World Relief Quilts for Hunger was offered a possible fund raising and way of including our Lutheran partners in convention. Other possibilities for workshops and booths were discussed. Bishop Pat reported that he has a keynote speaker request out and should have more information at our August council meeting. Pat hopes to have a dedication of the Coe Kerr Community Center at convention.
- Sites for future conventions: The reality is that many of our congregations do not have the energy or means to host a convention. We might consider using the same convention site each year or identifying two or three sites on a rotation basis. Any decision will be brought before Convention. Also, it may be advantageous to establish a Committee to oversee the theme, programs and location services for each convention.
- The Oregon Trail and Episcopal Journal distributed to our churches and households cost the diocese \$15K per year; the Oregon Trail Evangelist wrap is not consistent and requires diocesan staff to do it. This duplicates the efforts by staff that go into "Connections" and other electronic media efforts. Since the Journal is available to individual subscribers, Council authorized the cancelation of the Episcopal Journal subscription contract and discontinuation of the Oregon Trail Evangelist.

Respectfully submitted, *The Rev. Kathryn Macek, Co-chair*

Disaster Preparedness

The Diocesan Disaster Preparedness and Response Project consists of four components:

Diocesan Disaster Plan. The diocesan disaster plan, “In God’s Hands . . . and Ours” has been written and approved by both Bishop Nedi and Bishop Patrick. The plan delineates a three-pronged approach to prepare for and respond to the disasters that may come our way:

- Coordinate a diocesan response if a parish or mission is involved in a disaster. This past year there have been no disasters within the Diocese of Eastern Oregon that required implementation of the plan.
- Encourage and facilitate each parish and mission to create their own disaster plan (1) to identify their resources and property assets, and (2) to consider how those assets might be utilized in times of disasters to assist both their parishioners and the wider community
- Encourage parishioners to participate in the workshop, “Disaster Preparedness 101 – for Individuals and Families” (see below)

Diocesan Disaster Preparedness and Response Team. The six members of the Team have been reduced this past year by retirement, illness, and other obligations. New members are being sought – please notify Judy Warren, the Diocesan Disaster Coordinator, (541) 639-4111, if you would like to be a part of the Team that helps to provide assistance to parishes and missions of our diocese when they are impacted by a disaster.

Brief Parishes and Missions. All of the congregations in the diocese have been contacted to introduce clergy and parish leaders to the Diocesan Disaster Project, to encourage them to create their own parish disaster plans, and to consider sponsoring the Disaster Preparedness 101 workshop for their parishioners (and the wider community if they chose).

- Clergy and/or parish leaders from the following parishes and missions accepted the invitation to meet with the Diocesan Disaster Coordinator and members of the Diocesan Disaster Preparedness and Response Team:

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Baker City — St. Stephen’s

Bend — Trinity

Enterprise — St. Patrick’s

Hood River — St. Mark’s

Klamath Falls — St. Paul’s

La Grande — St. Peter’s

Lakeview — St. Luke’s

Ontario — St. Mathew’s

Pendleton — Church of the Redeemer

Redmond — St. Alban’s

Sisters — Church of the Transfiguration

Sunriver — All Saints of the Cascades

Parish Disaster Plans. The following parishes have completed, or are in the process of completing their parish disaster plans:

Bend — Trinity

Pendleton — Church of the Redeemer

Enterprise — St. Patrick's

Sisters — Church of the Transfiguration

Hood River — St. Mark's

Sunriver — All Saints of the Cascades

Lakeview — St. Luke's

Present “Disaster Preparedness 101 — for Individuals and Families.” The 2.5 hour workshop has been created to address the likely disaster that can occur in our diocese, and to provide practical suggestions on how to mitigate those disaster hazards, save lives, reduce injuries and make sensible plans ahead of time that will allow workshop attendees to recover more readily after a disaster.

Of special note, this workshop which has garnered national recognition, will be presented at the convention. For further information, or if you would like to help, please contact Judy Warren, (541) 639-4111.

Education for Ministry

EFM is a four year text based program covering the Hebrew Bible, the New Testament, Church History and your personal ministry journey. A typical EFM meeting includes discussion of the weekly readings, and an hour to an hour and a half of theological reflection which allows participants to understand the role that their belief system plays in their lives. The program was extensively revamped three years ago, and the revision has been well received.

Because of our distance from educational opportunities, member of our diocese have taken advantage of EFM for their foundational learning when in discernment about the diaconate or the priesthood. For others, it has been a vehicle to enhance and deepen their personal ministry, allowing them to become more deeply involved in their parish and also in their wider community.

The opportunity to do theological reflection in community is invaluable in shaping those who may be isolated in a small place. And now that EFM is available on-line, those members of our diocese who cannot find a face-to-face EFM group will be able to access a group wherever they may live. Currently we have an on-line EFM group led by the Rev. Georgia Giacobbe in The Dalles, and a face to face group mentored by Janet Stevens in Bend.

Those who have taken advantage of this excellent program have benefitted from our Diocesan support. Even with that support, however, EFM, it is a costly program. It is \$350 a year, which can be aided with scholarship funds. The program without diocesan sponsorship would be \$460 a year, so it is vitally important to the continuation of EFM in the Diocese of Eastern Oregon that the program continue to be sponsored by diocesan funds.

*An EFM group is also active in Pendleton, OR. (report amended)

Environmental Justice Commission Report

2015 – 2016

The Environmental Justice Commission of EDEO is comprised of people throughout the Diocese who are interested in making a difference in caring for God's creation. Regular email alerts to the group highlight areas of concern for action which can be shared within our parishes. Topics this year included: Healthy Climate Bill, Clean Electricity and Coal Transition Bill, Nestle plant in the Gorge, GMO labelling, Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP), and the oil train derailment in Mosier. In January, Chair Kim McClain attended the Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon's Seventh Annual Earth Care Summit in Portland which explored the interrelationships of soil, food, faith and climate.

Education about how sustainable living can reduce negative impacts on our environment is part of our mission and we had a table at the 2015 Diocesan Convention with materials and information, and Kim McClain presented a workshop on Faith and Divestment. Tips for reducing our daily impact on the earth and its resources were published in the weekly EDEO Connections e-newsletter.

This year seemed to have an environmental focus in the diocese: former Bishop Nedi Rivera recommended two books this year for the diocese to read: *This Changes Everything* by Naomi Klein, and *Grounded* by Diana Butler Bass. The theme for Ascension School camps this summer was *All Things Bright and Beautiful*. Kim McClain mentored this year's camp counselors on all types of environmental topics, and we welcomed the wisdom of the Rt. Rev. Katherine Jefferts Schori at Adult Camp. Her scientific background helped us understand how we are all interconnected with all of creation.

If you are interested in joining the Environmental Justice Commission or have any questions about what we do, please contact:

Kim McClain, Chair

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Episcopal Relief & Development

Convention Report for October, 2016

First, I need to thank all of the Episcopal Relief & Development Parish Representatives for their good work over the past year. Their primary role is to see that up-to-date information about the work of Episcopal Relief & Development around the world is shared with the members of their congregation. Their efforts in 2015 resulted in total gifts from our diocese of \$42,939.

Second, though many of you already have received the information, I need to stress that Episcopal Relief & Development currently has a high need for donations to their Disaster Relief Fund, primarily to deal with the current and ongoing needs from the extreme flooding this summer, especially in Texas and along the Gulf Coast.

The rest of this report is about a new project being undertaken by the diocese this fall and through the coming year. About 3 years ago, Episcopal Relief & Development began developing a way to create, maintain, and continually update vital information about the congregations and dioceses of the Episcopal Church. The purpose is to improve the response time, effectiveness, and efficiency of their U.S. Disaster relief and recovery program. Dioceses across the country have been signing on to the program gradually, and now it is our turn to get on board.

The program is called the Asset Map. It is an online national map with information about Episcopal Church congregations and dioceses, including facilities, staff, programs, services, and locations. In an emergency, having this information current makes a huge difference in quickly getting appropriate help to the right places. This map is already becoming a major asset in itself for the national office in New York. The information helps protect congregations and communities, especially where congregations have their own disaster plans in place. (If you don't yet have one, now is the time to start.)

As a side benefit, the Asset Map is becoming a valuable tool for congregations, dioceses, and church members in many ways. It is opening up ways congregations can collaborate and assist each other, strengthening ways we can work together within and between dioceses.

The Rev. Jim Mosier, Judy Warren (Diocesan Disaster Coordinator), and I will jointly serve as administrators for the Asset Map for our diocese. Between late August and convention, the 3 of us will have been trained on the details of how the project works and what needs to be done. Eventually, each congregation will need to prepare a list of what they want placed on the asset map. NOTE: We are asking each of the Episcopal Relief & Development Parish Representatives to take on the role of either preparing the list for their congregation or seeing that someone else takes it on in their place. This is not a large, difficult, or time-consuming task. They already know their congregation, and for most parishes could probably create a draft list in less time than to eat a meal.

We will provide training at the regular meeting for Episcopal Relief & Development parish representatives during registration time Friday evening. I encourage others from the various congregations to feel free to attend also, as the more who are familiar with the project, the more ways we may find to make use of it as a tool for the entire Episcopal Church. If your Episcopal Relief & Development Parish Representative will not be at convention, please ensure that someone else from your congregation attends the training.

Bruce Barnes, Diocesan Coordinator, Episcopal Relief & Development

Prison Ministry Report

Members include: Doug Harder, Steve Welbourn, Julie Sarazin, Jim Mosier and Doug Jerome; member emeritus.

This is a new commission having been developed by vote of convention last year. This has been a development year. We have had one meeting jointly with the prison ministry Commission of the Diocese of Oregon. The prison ministry commission of the Diocese of Oregon has promised assistance to us as we get started in Eastern Oregon. There is much to be gained in a joint ministry with both dioceses.

I have met with the Rev. Steven Toth, chaplain from the Snake River Correctional Institution and he is assisting in convening a meeting with the chaplaincy program for all the institutions to determine how a coordinated state wide prison ministry from the Episcopal church might be most helpful. Snake River Correctional Institution is the largest correctional institution in the State of Oregon.

I have recently completed the process of getting credentialed by the Department of Corrections as a religious services volunteer. I have begun conducting worship at Snake River Correctional Institution in partnership with Lee and Charlie, (Charlotte), Manning from the Episcopal Diocese of Idaho. The Episcopal Diocese of Idaho has been involved in prison ministry at Snake River Correctional Institution for many years having begun that relationship with the Rev. Jim Moore and his wife.

Six of the fourteen institutions are located within the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon , (EDEO). The majority of inmates being housed in correctional facilities in Oregon are within EDEO. The many of the inmates being housed within the boundaries of EDEO are from the Episcopal Diocese of Oregon.

It is reasonable to conclude that a successful prison ministry would include the families of the inmates as well as the inmates themselves. The following communities have facilities: Portland, Wilsonville, Salem, North Bend, Tillamook, Ontario, Baker City, Pendleton, Lakeview, and Umatilla. As of June 1, 2016 the Oregon Department of Corrections reported 14, 704 inmates in custody.

Respectfully submitted
The Rev. Jim Mosier

Standing Committee Report

Diocesan Convention, October 2016

I would like to thank the members of this year's Standing Committee for their hard work and faithfulness as we called a new bishop, and completed the transition of episcopal leadership from The Rt. Rev. Bavi "Nedi" Rivera to our new Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Patrick Bell. The ministry and leadership of The Rev. Jed Holdorph, The Rev. Anna Carmichael, The Rev. Nancy Sargent Green, Charlie Cagle and Julie Reynolds, and the administrative assistance of Lisa Boquist have been invaluable during this process.

This year, the Standing Committee met in November for our annual retreat, December, January twice, March, May, and August, either in person or via Adobe Connect. The first 6 months after last year's convention were focused on the special electing convention, and then the transition process of consecrating our new bishop, and saying goodbye to Bishop Nedi. Many, many thanks go out to the Transition Committee (The Rev. Kathy Macek, Charlie Cagle, The Rev. Roy Green, and Ruth Tsu) for their hours of hard work, dedication and organization of the walkabout, Electing Convention, and Consecration weekend festivities. We also greatly appreciate all of the help and guidance from the Office for Pastoral Development within the Presiding Bishop's Office, and the Registrar during the transition process.

As all Standing Committees are charged to do, we gave consents as appropriate to other dioceses in The Episcopal Church for starting the search for episcopal leadership, as well as the election of episcopal leadership. During the 2015-2016 year, Standing Committee continued to oversee property issues and concerns in the diocese, including but not limited to the closure and decommissioning of St. Paul's in Nyssa, the lot in Arlington, and the continued use of 601 Union Street for the diocesan archives.

The other business of Standing Committee is to provide support to the Bishop. We do this part of our ministry by providing compassionate care and listening when there are confidential clergy disciplinary issues, as well as opportunities for healing and reconciliation that the Bishop can facilitate.

It has been my great pleasure and honor to serve as the President of Standing Committee this year.

Many blessings,

Kim McClain
Trinity, Bend

UTO Coordinator Report

This was the first year that I have served as United Thank Offering coordinator for the Diocese of Eastern Oregon. I became aware at last year's convention in The Dalles that there has not been a diocesan coordinator for some time. So with Bishop Nedi standing at the UTO table, I volunteered on the spot.

With many years of involvement in the Episcopal Church, I had become familiar with the Blue Boxes and their purpose. Last year, when I looked over the listing of grants for 2015, it became very obvious that United Thank Offering grants provide for innovative and growing mission of the church. Therefore, I put my support behind this process.

With no real training, I took the first few steps as coordinator this year. To start, I wanted to encourage and lay a foundation of what United Thank Offering is—a method of expressing our thanks to God along with our generosity. This began by ensuring the blue boxes and envelopes were distributed in my own congregation, with announcements to the congregation from time-to-time and postings of UTO newsletters on our bulletin board. You may have noticed some United Thank Offering announcements concerning thankfulness in EDEO's *Connections* e-mail from time to time. If a congregation already had a UTO parish coordinator, I contacted them with an e-mail with a sample newsletter to use.

UTO is a special type of fundraiser and with that in mind, I would like to report that in 2015 the Diocese of Eastern Oregon generated and donated \$3,015 in thanks to give to the mission of the church. UTO money is awarded in a grant process, and since 1940, Eastern Oregon has been the beneficiary of UTO grants 22 times. This year, the [United Thank Offering](#) of The [Episcopal Church](#) awarded 32 grants for a total of \$1,161,314.62 for the mission and ministry of The Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion. The grants were awarded to 32 dioceses, 25 of them in the U.S.

If you have any questions, comments, or would like to help with the United Thank Offering please feel free to contact me.

Deacon Georgia Giacobbe

Statistical Reports

Diocese of Eastern Oregon

Financial Statistics of Congregations and Missions

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2015

City	Congregation	Plate & Pledge Income	REVENUE			EXPENSE			Total
			Operating Revenue	Total Revenue	Operating Expense	To the Diocese	Outreach & Development		
Baker City	St Stephens Episcopal Church	49,770	52,030	58,210	53,622	11,659	3,340	56,802	
Bend	Trinity Episcopal Church	383,930	393,667	1,085,341	580,053	88,541	266,961	867,770	
Bonanza	St Barnabas Episcopal Church	7,349	8,630	8,885	12,028	1,754	500	12,028	
Burns	St Andrews Episcopal Church	16,729	20,539	20,937	16,280	3,812	5,246	21,204	
Canyon City	St Thomas Episcopal Church	14,035	16,765	26,525	17,304	3,105	12,397	28,243	
Enterprise	St Patricks Episcopal Church	14,366	14,366	15,093	15,896	2,663	0	15,896	
Heppner	All Saints Memorial Epas Church	28,736	64,956	83,124	73,928	4,887	19,336	92,046	
Hermiston	St Johns Episcopal Church	61,167	61,167	91,489	58,407	13,739	42,970	101,147	
Hood River	St Marks Episcopal Church	114,004	129,966	129,966	149,342	29,242	2,100	152,092	
Klamath Falls	St Pauls Episcopal Church	52,543	68,802	77,861	69,655	13,068	79,496	95,590	
La Grande	St Peters Episcopal Church	69,329	69,329	73,194	80,480	15,521	7,396	93,331	
Lakeview	St Lukes Episcopal Church		0	0	0		0	0	
Madras	St Marks Episcopal Church	4,401	4,401	4,401	990	990	0	990	
Milton Freewater	St James Episcopal Church	20,920	23,380	24,592	23,185	5,351	2,834	28,804	
Nysa	St Pauls Episcopal Church	7,898	53,962	54,314	52,317	3,855	33,648	52,467	
Ontario	St Matthews Episcopal Church	64,366	66,866	68,366	67,358	14,557	3,150	68,858	
Pendleton	Church of the Redeemer	136,849	142,586	162,935	107,686	33,256	7,512	124,085	
Prineville	St Andrews Episcopal Church	27,410	33,105	38,334	46,479	5,911	0	47,517	
Redmond	St Albans Episcopal Church	37,945	44,908	44,908	50,758	8,073	15,117	50,758	
Sisters	Church of the Transfiguration	266,532	266,532	290,792	246,186	54,011	37,785	283,971	
Sunriver	All Saints of the Cascades	215,987	322,771	410,648	243,015	14,347	65,535	356,114	
The Dalles	St Pauls Episcopal Church	128,908	166,605	200,536	95,822	38,056	35,028	136,726	
Total		1,723,174	2,025,333	2,970,451	2,060,791	366,398	640,351	2,686,439	

Diocese of Eastern Oregon

Vital Statistics of Congregations and Missions

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2015

— BAPTISMS —

City	Congregation	Active Members	Communicants in Good Standing	Others Active	Average Sunday Attendance	Sunday Eucharists	16 yrs and Older	Under 16 Years	Confirmed or Received
Baker City	St Stephens Episcopal Church	64	41	0	19	25	0	0	0
Bend	Trinity Episcopal Church	456	363	1	135	100	2	2	5
Bonanza	St Barnabas Episcopal Church	48	22	26	14	11	0	1	0
Burns	St Andrews Episcopal Church	22	22	0	23	46	1	0	0
Canyon City	St Thomas Episcopal Church	62	62	0	19	23	0	0	0
Enterprise	St Patricks Episcopal Church	18	18	0	14	34	0	0	0
Heppner	All Saints Memorial Epis Church	100	44	29	30	45	0	2	2
Hermiston	St Johns Episcopal Church	67	67	0	37	52	0	0	8
Hood River	St Marks Episcopal Church	185	87	0	49	102	0	0	1
Klamath Falls	St Pauls Episcopal Church	84	84	0	34	57	3	1	0
La Grande	St Peters Episcopal Church	48	36	3	21	46	0	0	0
Lakeview	St Lukes Episcopal Church	31	9	1	13	0	0	4	0
Madras	St Marks Episcopal Church	16	16	0	35	50	1	0	2
Milton Freewater	St James Episcopal Church	35	32	0	17	28	0	3	0
Nyssa	St Pauls Episcopal Church	17	17	0	7	26	0	1	0
Ontario	St Matthews Episcopal Church	109	42	5	35	44	0	8	0
Pendleton	Church of the Redeemer	132	130	2	41	36	0	0	0
Prineville	St Andrews Episcopal Church	38	38	0	17	29	0	0	0
Redmond	St Albans Episcopal Church	24	23	3	15	44	0	0	0
Sisters	Church of the Transfiguration	200	196	4	115	63	0	0	0
Sunriver	All Saints of the Cascades	64	64	0	158	52	0	0	0
The Dalles	St Pauls Episcopal Church	206	115	14	57	58	0	1	0
Total		2,026	1,528	88	905	971	7	23	18

Canonically Resident Clergy

The Episcopal Diocese Of Eastern Oregon

Bishop:

The Rt. Rev. Patrick Bell

Diocesan Assignment

Bishop

Canonically Resident Priests:

01-17-70	Richard H. Thew	St. Patrick's, Enterprise
09-21-85	James D. Mosier	Prison Ministry Commission
09-01-93	<i>*Alfred F. Miller</i>	<i>Damascus, Oregon</i>
03-09-95	<i>*Daniel W. Gardner</i>	Greenwood, Arkansas
09-16-97	Nancy Sargent Green	All Saints of the Cascades/Sunriver Christian Fellowship
06-16-99	<i>Douglas D. Jerome</i>	<i>Eastern Oregon Correctional Institute</i>
05-01-02	Janet M. Kozak	COM
11-18-03	Mary R. Lujan	Non-parochial, Hood River
05-16-06	<i>Theodore E. (Ted) Rodrigues</i>	<i>Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters</i>
06-10-06	Rebecca Lanham Hendricks	St. James', Milton-Freewater
11-19-06	Aletha G. Bonebrake	St. Stephen's, Baker City
09-23-08	William Paul Morton	St. Alban's, Redmond
10-22-08	Charles Christopher	St. Alban's, Redmond
02-04-09	Roy D. Green	Transition Committee
05-19-09	<i>*John "Jack" Erskine</i>	<i>Sisters, OR</i>
02-24-11	<i>*Kenneth V. King, Jr.</i>	<i>Johnstown, PA</i>
03-19-11	Dan Lediard	St. John's, Hermiston
05-23-11	Kathryn Macek	St. Peter's, La Grande
11-19-14	Jed Holdorph	Trinity, Bend
06-06-15	John Collins	Disciplinary Board/Search Committee
12-11-15	Charlotte Wells	Church of the Redeemer, Pendleton
03-22-16	Richard(Red) Stevens	St. Paul's, The Dalles
05-19-16	<i>Willia Goodfellow</i>	<i>St. Andrew's, Prineville</i>

ELCA Clergy serving Episcopal parishes

07-01-10	Katy Anderson	All Saints Episcopal and Hope Lutheran, Heppner
07-01-11	Matthew Littau	St. Andrew's Episcopal + Peace Lutheran, Burns
06-06-15	Katherine Brick	St. Mark's Episcopal + Good Shepherd. Lutheran, Madras
	Jack Coffey	St. Paul's, Klamath Falls

Canonically Resident Deacons:

03-23-96	Charles R. Barnes	St. John's, Hermiston
06-16-99	Jean S. Cupp	Church of the Redeemer, Pendleton
09-29-99	Stephen L. Schafroth	St. Paul's, The Dalles
05-01-02	Janet L. Warner	St. Andrew's, Prineville
06-10-06	Roger L. Fairfield	Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters
07-11-07	<i>*Ruth Ellen Brown</i>	
01-05-08	Gaye Hauk Lawson	Trinity, Bend
12-05-11	Georgia Giacobbe	St. Paul's, The Dalles
05-28-14	Marilyn Roth	St. Paul's. The Dalles

* Asterisk beside the names on pages G-1 and G-2 denotes those canonically resident clergy, in accordance with Diocesan Canons, who are **not** qualified clerical delegates, entitled to seat, voice and vote in Convention. According to Diocesan Canon V.6, "*All canonically resident clergy, of whatever Order, who have a regular diocesan or congregational assignment, and are in good standing, and who are performing the duties of their office, and who are not under ecclesiastical discipline, have the right to seat, voice and vote in the Convention. Retired clergy, canonically resident in the Diocese, shall be entitled to seat and voice, but no vote in Convention.*"

Retired canonically resident clergy entitled to seat and voice in Convention, in accordance with Diocesan Canons:

12-09-60	Lawrence C. Ferguson	Prineville, OR	(priest)
08-03-75	Lawrence E. Fredrick	Sunnyvale, CA	(priest)
09-29-76	Kenneth W. Crysler	Pendleton, OR	(priest)
09-24-78	Carol B. Rose	Casa Grande, AZ	(priest)
10-15-86	Gary J. Young	Hood River, OR	(priest)
07-13-88	John A. Langfeldt	The Dalles, OR	(priest)
01-04-89	Robert J. Crum	Portland, OR	(priest)
04-29-91	Robert P. S. Kaye	College Place, WA	(priest)
03-15-92	Carol A. Parker	Prineville, OR	(priest)
05-22-94	Janet C. Schiering	Hood River, OR	(priest)
03-09-95	Roger V. Williams	Nyssa, OR	(priest)
04-22-95	Stephen P. Uffelman	Prineville, OR	(priest)
10-31-96	Lonalee A. Hamlin	Redmond, OR	(deacon)
06-10-98	Richard E. Attebury	Moscow, ID	(priest)
10-11-98	Carol J. McClelland	Vancouver, WA	(deacon)
08-10-99	Wilma M. Hoffer	Bend, OR	(deacon)
09-26-99	John W. Gilsdorf	Athena, OR	(priest)
11-30-99	Serita V. Smith-Allen	Hood River, OR	(priest)
01-06-02	Connie Boone	Cutting, CA	(deacon)
05-01-02	Laurence F. Mahon	Salem, OR	(deacon)
06-05-03	Mikel McClain	Portland, OR	(priest)
06-16-03	Sarah M. Stanton	Lacey, WA	(priest)
07-16-03	Richard S. Landrith	Lakeview, OR	(priest)
06-24-06	Martha Cornue Hurlburt	Walla Walla, WA	(priest)
09/23/15	John Nesbitt	Enterprise, OR	(priest)

Dates are of canonical residency in the Diocese of Eastern Oregon.

Lay Delegates
Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon
43rd Annual Convention, October 11-13, 2013

SW – Senior Warden

JW - Junior Warden

D – Elected Delegate

A – Elected Alternate

Persons whose names are in italics were **not** present or **did not** participate as **voting delegates**.

St. Stephen's, Baker City

Cammy Warner, SW

Rob Palmer, JW

Betty Palmer D

Maryanne Lovell A

Beth Bigelow A

All Saints, Heppner

Bill McDowell, SW

Dan Sharp, JW

Virginia Nairns, D

Cyde Estes, A

Trinity, Bend

Joan Wellman, SW

Karen Hauswald, JW

Wynne Osborne, D

Terry Rahmsdorff, D

Peggy Ziegler, D

James Allen D

Holy Hendricks, D

Barb Morris, A

St. John's, Hermiston

Larry Davidson, SW

Lester McMasters, JW

Karen Anderson, D

Peggy Dummert, A

St. Barnabas, Bonanza

Delana Heidrich, SW

St. Mark's, Hood River

Dave Anderson, SW

Nick Kirby, JW

Vicki Kelsey, D

Linda Bitter, D

Ruth Tsu, A

St. Andrew's, Burns

Charles Cagle, SW

Ann Thew, D

Lorna Cagle, D

St. Paul's, Klamath Falls

Dr. Ralph Eccles, SW

Tony Walz, JW

Fabian Baker, D

Kerry Tingley, A

St. Thomas, Canyon City

Julie A. Reynolds, SW

Jim Spell, D

Darwin Thompson, D

Carol Thompson, A

Tracie Unterwegner, A

St. Peter's, La Grande

G Royes, SW

Susanna Ogsten, JW

Ellen Chasteen, D

Kathy Thew, A

St. Patrick's, Enterprise

Ann Hayes, SW

Linda Kruger-Ebbert, JW

Ellen Nesbitt, D

St. Luke's, Lakeview

Joan Dickson, SW
Shirley McAdoo, JW
John Bunch, D
Karen Bunch, A
Patricia Phillips, A

St. Mark's, Madras

Ken Black, SW
Marcia Black, JW
Sue Powers, D
Linda Jackson, A

St. James', Milton-Freewater

Marty Nyman, SW
Barbara Coddington, JW
Lynn Crawford, D
Alta Crawford, A

St. Matthew's, Ontario

Tim Lanterman, SW
Randy Miles, JW
Naveeda Benjamin, D
Trina Sherman, A

Church of the Redeemer, Pendleton

Doug Harder, SW
Bill Taylor JW
Flossie Keeler, D
Dave Keeler, A

St. Andrew's, Prineville

Nancy Condron, SW
Stan Wiggins, JW
Jean Wintermute, D
Irene Stiles, A

St. Alban's, Redmond

Don Scott, SW
Gard Eriksen, JW
Virginia Scott, D
Laverne Eriksen, A

Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters

Jerry Hanford, SW
Jane Petke, JW
Helen Keefe, D
Adrienne Brown, D
Margaret Doke, A
Cathy Sewall, A

All Saints of the Cascades, Sunriver

Randy Heise, SW
Gregg Henton, JW
Mary Link, D
Patti Knollman, A

St. Paul's, The Dalles

Diane Adams, SW
Jill Darrow, JW
Janeal Booren, D
Niki Piacente, D
Don Dickinson, A
Ava Sue Kerr, A

Diocesan Council, Lay Delegates

Vicki Mosier
Karly Nash
Beth Spell
Bill Taylor
Marjorie Thelen

Standing Committee, Lay Delegates

Charlie Cagle
Kim McClain
Julie Reynolds

Secretary of Convention

Doug Harder

Treasurer

Randy Heise

Chancellor

Kim Mosier

Congregations Entitled to Lay Representation

From each congregation, two wardens, plus an elected delegate or alternate for each 100 members or major fraction thereof, are entitled to seat, voice and vote in Convention. An alternate may serve as a delegate in place of one warden's position.

NORTHWEST CONVOCATION

HOOD RIVER, St. Mark's
THE DALLES, St. Paul's

NORTHCENTRAL CONVOCATION

HEPPNER, All Saints
HERMISTON, St. John's
MILTON-FREEWATER, St. James'
PENDLETON, Church of the Redeemer

NORTHEAST CONVOCATION

BAKER CITY, St. Stephens
ENTERPRISE, St. Patrick's
LA GRANDE, St. Peter's

CENTRAL OREGON CONVOCATION

BEND, Trinity
MADRAS, St. Mark's
PRINEVILLE, St. Andrew's
REDMOND, St. Alban's
SISTERS, Church of the Transfiguration
SUNRIVER, All Saints of the Cascades

SOUTHEAST CONVOCATION

BURNS, St. Andrew's
CANYON CITY, St. Thomas'
ONTARIO, St. Matthew's

SOUTHWEST CONVOCATION

BONANZA, St. Barnabas'
KLAMATH FALLS, St. Paul's
LAKEVIEW, St. Luke's

OTHER MEMBERS OF CONVENTION

Seat, voice and vote: Lay Members of Diocesan Council
Secretary of Convention Treasurer of the Diocese

