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Online and In Person

Cove, Oregon

**Officers of the Diocese**

Bishop

The Right Reverend Patrick Bell

Secretary of Convention

The Rev. Charlotte Wells

Treasurer

Patricia Olson-Lindsey

Chancellor

Vacant

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**Proceedings**  
54<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the  
Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon  
October 16-20, 2024  
Online and in Cove, Oregon

***Entering the Broad Place; Joining in God's Promise***

He brought me out into a broad place; he rescued me, because he delighted in me.  
Psalm 18:19

Presiding: The Rt. Rev. Patrick Bell, Bishop

**Wednesday, October 16, 2024**

Wednesday's meetings were held via Zoom.

- The Eastern Oregon Episcopal Foundation Annual Meeting was held from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
  
- The first reading of the 2025 EDEO Budget and a budget review session was held at 6:00pm led by Patty Olson-Lindsey, Treasurer of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon.

**Thursday, October 17, 2024**

Wednesday's meeting was held via Zoom.

**EDEO Diocesan Convention Business Meeting I**

**Call to Order**

At 6:00pm Bishop Patrick Bell welcomed everyone called the meeting to order. The Rev. Charlotte Wells, Secretary of Convention, reported that a quorum in the lay order, in the clergy order, and a quorum of parishes were represented.

## Consent Calendar

**M/S/C**        *Motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. (The Rev. Roy Green, Barbara Reynolds)*

Election of Ecclesiastical Disciplinary Board Class of 2027

*The Rev. Sean Rogers*

*The Rev. Pamela Miller*

Confirmation of Commission on Ministry members Class of 2026

*The Rev. Katy Nesbitt*

*Arlene Ullman*

## 2024 Proposed Budget

**M/S/C**        *Motion to approve the 2025 Diocesan Budget as presented. (Patty Olson- Lindsey, David Kosar)*

## Elections and Confirmations

Nominations from the Floor

### Standing Committee-Clergy

**M/S/C**        *The Rev. Ray Jeff Spreier was elected by Zoom Poll ballot to the Standing Committee, Class of 2027.*

### Standing Committee-Lay

**M/S/C**        *Angela Pursel was elected by Zoom Poll ballot to the Standing Committee, Class of 2027.*

### Diocesan Council-Clergy

**M/S/C**        *The Rev. Elizabeth Wheatley Jones was elected by Zoom Poll ballot to the Diocesan Council, Class of 2027.*

### Diocesan Council-Lay

**M/S/C**        *Kathy Thew and Betty Palmer were elected by Zoom Poll ballot to the Diocesan Council Class of 2027.*

## Recess

Convention was recessed at 6:40pm.

## **Friday, October 18, 2024**

Friday's events took place at Ascension School Camp and Conference Center in Cove, Oregon. The schedule consisted of the Bishop's Address. A video of his address can be found here:

<https://youtube.com/@dioceseofeasternoregon5247?si=zy8JipBchDZcbQ1>

## **Saturday October 19, 2024**

Saturday's events took place at Ascension School Camp and Conference Center in Cove, Oregon. The program included a key note address from The Rev. Tom Brackett, Missioner for New Church Starts and Missional Initiatives for the Episcopal Church, workshops lead by Caretakers of the Land, WeX Community Outreach, Ascension School, and the Faithful Innovation Commission.

The program at the Saturday evening banquet consisted of a celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of Ascension School, the presentation of the Bishop's Crosses to Bobby Fossek and Brosnan Spencer, and the launch of the Ascension School Capital Campaign. The Ascension Banner was awarded to St. Steven's, Baker City. The Episcopossums musical group from Baker City provided musical Entertainment.

## **Sunday October 20, 2024**

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

### **Adjournment**

*M/S/C Motion to adjourn the 54<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon.*

A recording of the bishop's sermon at Sunday's Eucharist can be found at

<https://youtube.com/@dioceseofeasternoregon5247?si=zy8JipBchDZcbQ1>

### **Proceedings of the 2024 Diocesan Convention prepared by:**

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### **Approved by:**

The Rev. Charlotte Wells  
Secretary of Convention

## 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 region of the Diocese. This committee is made up of outgoing members of Diocesan Council and Standing Committee:

The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake

Joel Bigelow

Betty Palmer

Angela Pursel

The Rev. Ray Jeff Spreier

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

### Time and Place of Future Diocesan Convention:

Ontario, Oregon

October 17-19, 2025

Central Oregon

October 16-18, 2026

Columbia River Gorge



## 2025 EDEO Budget

	A	P	Q	R
1	<b>EDEO Operating Budget</b>	<b>2023 Year End</b>	<b>2024 Budget</b>	<b>2025 Budget</b>
2	<b>Income</b>			
3	<b>Assessments</b>	\$373,539.28	\$355,000.00	\$370,000.00
4	<b>Misc. Income/Reimbursements</b>	\$7,238.21	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
5	<b>Other Income</b>			
6	Duncan	\$15,532.57	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
8	Convention Income	\$12,648.48	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
9	Donations	\$491.81	\$0.00	\$0.00
10	<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>\$30,652.86</b>	<b>\$27,000.00</b>	<b>\$27,000.00</b>
11	<b>Grants /Loans</b>			
12	Found. Grant Retired Clergy Ins.	\$3,096.00	\$3,060.00	\$3,060.00
14	<b>Total Grants/Loans</b>	<b>\$3,096.00</b>	<b>\$3,060.00</b>	<b>\$3,060.00</b>
15	<b>Investment Income \$1,080,767.00</b>	<b>\$45,000.00</b>	<b>\$45,000.00</b>	<b>\$37,775.00</b>
16	<b>Transfers In from other Funds</b>			
17	<b>From the Development and Emergency Fund</b>			
19	Ministry Support	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$30,000.00
20	Audit Support	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
23	Transition Minister Support	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$0.00
25	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$46,150.00</b>	<b>\$28,150.00</b>	<b>\$30,000.00</b>
26	<b>From the Diversity Fund \$3,647</b>			
27	Truth and Conciliation Commission Support	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
28	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>
29	<b>From the Indigenous Ministry Fund \$86,012</b>			
30	Truth and Conciliation Commission Support	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
31	Trail Project Support	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
32	Caretakers of the Land Support	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
33	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$42,000.00</b>	<b>\$42,000.00</b>	<b>\$42,000.00</b>
34	<b>Budget Surplus Transfer</b>		<b>\$23,500.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
35	<b>Total Transfers In</b>	<b>\$89,650.00</b>	<b>\$95,150.00</b>	<b>\$73,500.00</b>
36	<b>Total EDEO Income</b>	<b>\$549,176.35</b>	<b>\$530,210.00</b>	<b>\$511,335.00</b>
37				
38	<b>Expenses</b>			
39	<b>The Larger Church</b>			
40	EMO-Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
41	Province VIII	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
42	TEC - The Episcopal Church	\$34,130.25	\$33,153.60	\$26,200.00
44	<b>Total The Larger Church</b>	<b>\$41,730.25</b>	<b>\$35,753.60</b>	<b>\$28,800.00</b>
48				
49	<b>Ministry Support</b>			
50	<b>Diocesan Commissions</b>			
51	Faithful Innovation Commission	\$384.75	\$1,500.00	\$3,000.00
52	Truth and Conciliation Commission	\$9,126.08	\$12,000.00	\$8,000.00
53	Commission on Ministry	\$2,892.56	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00

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54	<b>Total Diocesan Commissions</b>	<b>\$12,403.39</b>	<b>\$16,500.00</b>	<b>\$14,000.00</b>
55				
61	<b>The Epis. Network for Stewardship (TENS)</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,700.00</b>	<b>\$1,200.00</b>
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63	<b>Diocesan Convention</b>	<b>\$13,915.46</b>	<b>\$12,000.00</b>	<b>\$12,000.00</b>
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65	<b>Diocesan Council/Standing Committee</b>	<b>\$16,689.73</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>	<b>\$12,000.00</b>
66				
67	<b>Faith Formation/Continuing Ed</b>			
68	Retired Clergy	\$1,393.06	\$1,200.00	\$1,500.00
69	Collegium	\$14,154.86	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
70	Resource Library/Publications	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
72	Background Checks	\$184.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
73	<b>Total Faith Formation/Continuing Ed</b>	<b>\$15,731.92</b>	<b>\$16,500.00</b>	<b>\$16,800.00</b>
74				
75	<b>General Convention Reserve</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$7,000.00</b>	<b>\$7,000.00</b>
76				
77	<b>Youth Reserve</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>
78				
79	<b>Staff Expense</b>	<b>\$14,081.70</b>	<b>\$9,000.00</b>	<b>\$7,000.00</b>
82	<b>Total Ministry Support</b>	<b>\$74,122.20</b>	<b>\$80,000.00</b>	<b>\$70,300.00</b>
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84	<b>Total Bishop Expenses</b>	<b>\$77,848.45</b>	<b>\$60,000.00</b>	<b>\$60,000.00</b>
85	<b>Personnel</b>			
86	<b>Payroll</b>			
87	Bishop	\$16,345.00	\$15,944.96	\$16,345.00
88	Bishop Housing	\$24,000.00	\$28,800.00	\$28,800.00
89	SS Premium	\$2,846.00	\$2,846.00	\$2,846.00
90	Ascension Executive Director	\$56,528.82	\$60,617.00	\$60,617.00
92	Diocesan Administrator	\$68,000.00	\$73,440.00	\$73,440.00
93	<b>Total Payroll</b>	<b>\$167,719.82</b>	<b>\$181,647.96</b>	<b>\$182,048.00</b>
94	<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	<b>\$8,740.51</b>	<b>\$8,800.00</b>	<b>\$9,103.00</b>
95	<b>Total Payroll Taxes</b>	<b>\$10,194.77</b>	<b>\$12,715.36</b>	<b>\$10,923.00</b>
96	<b>Pension</b>	<b>\$18,250.41</b>	<b>\$12,100.00</b>	<b>\$20,800.00</b>
97	<b>Medical and Life Insurance</b>			
98	Bishop	\$17,649.00	\$17,850.00	\$19,548.00
99	Lay Staff	\$32,832.00	\$33,000.00	\$32,040.00
100	Life Insurance	\$768.00	\$768.00	\$768.00
101	Retirees Supplemental Med. Ins.	\$3,060.00	\$3,060.00	\$3,060.00
102	<b>Total Medical and Life Insurance</b>	<b>\$54,309.00</b>	<b>\$54,678.00</b>	<b>\$55,416.00</b>
103	<b>Total Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$259,214.51</b>	<b>\$269,941.32</b>	<b>\$278,290.00</b>
104				
105	<b>Administration and Contracted Services</b>			
106	<b>Contracted Services</b>			
107	Audit	\$16,250.00	\$14,000.00	\$5,000.00
109	CPA/Payroll Services	\$15,875.25	\$10,000.00	\$6,000.00
110	Legal Fees	\$60.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
111	Archive Project	\$259.57	\$300.00	\$500.00

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112	Transition Minister	\$10,189.69	\$12,000.00	\$3,000.00
115	Trail Habitat Management	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
116	Caretakers of the Land	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
117	<b>Total Contracted Services</b>	<b>\$77,994.76</b>	<b>\$71,800.00</b>	<b>\$47,000.00</b>
118	<b>Administration</b>			
119	Technology	\$10,511.50	\$3,000.00	\$8,000.00
120	Other Expense	\$51.90	\$0.00	\$0.00
121	Office Supplies	\$1,812.28	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
122	Photocopies and Printing	\$4,220.60	\$2,500.00	\$3,500.00
123	Postage	\$715.52	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
124	Telephone	\$240.00	\$240.00	\$240.00
125	Credit Card Fees	\$148.13	\$275.08	\$250.00
126	<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>\$17,699.93</b>	<b>\$9,015.08</b>	<b>\$14,990.00</b>
127	<b>Total Administration and Contracted Services</b>	<b>\$95,694.69</b>	<b>\$80,815.08</b>	<b>\$61,990.00</b>
128				
135	<b>Insurance and Taxes</b>			
136	General Insurance Package	\$12,500.00	\$12,500.00	\$12,800.00
137	Property Taxes	\$66.25	\$100.00	\$100.00
138	<b>Total Insurance and Taxes</b>	<b>\$12,566.25</b>	<b>\$12,600.00</b>	<b>\$12,900.00</b>
140	<b>Total EDEO Expenses</b>	<b>\$561,176.35</b>	<b>\$542,210.00</b>	<b>\$512,280.00</b>
141				
142	<b>Total EDEO Income</b>	<b>\$549,176.35</b>	<b>\$530,210.00</b>	<b>\$511,335.00</b>
143	<b>Total EDEO Expense</b>	<b>\$561,176.35</b>	<b>\$542,210.00</b>	<b>\$512,280.00</b>
144	<b>Balance</b>	<b>(\$12,000.00)</b>	<b>(\$12,000.00)</b>	<b>(\$945.00)</b>
145	<b>Transfer from Development and Emergency Fund</b>	<b>\$12,000.00</b>		
146	<b>Adjusted Balanced for 2023</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>		
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## 2025 Ascension School Camp and Conference Center Budget

	A	N	P	R
1	<b>Ascension School Budget</b>			
2		<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
3		<b>Year End</b>	<b>Projected</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>
4	<b>INCOME</b>			
5	<b>Contributions</b>			
6	Scholarship Appeal	\$ 12,868.35	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
7	Ascension Annual Giving	\$ 45,529.55	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
10	<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 59,647.90</b>	<b>\$ 60,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 65,000.00</b>
11				
16	<b>Adult Program Income</b>			
17	Adult Formation	\$ 5,255.53	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
19	<b>Total Adult Program Income</b>	<b>\$ 6,055.53</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
20				
21	<b>Camp/ODS Income</b>			
22	Senior High Camp	\$ 11,158.34	\$ 11,525.00	\$ 10,000.00
23	Junior High Camp	\$ 8,825.00	\$ 17,900.00	\$ 18,000.00
24	Discovery Camp	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,340.00	\$ 3,200.00
25	Combined Camp	\$ 11,375.00	\$ 15,648.70	\$ 15,000.00
26	Beginners Camp	\$ 14,667.50	\$ 5,715.00	\$ 6,000.00
27	Bus Income	\$ 4,625.00	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 6,500.00
28	Outdoor School	\$ 30,325.00	\$ 48,800.00	\$ 98,000.00
29	<b>Total Camp/Youth Income</b>	<b>\$ 84,725.84</b>	<b>\$ 109,528.70</b>	<b>\$ 156,700.00</b>
30				
31	<b>Rental Fees</b>			
32	Kimsey Commons	\$ 26,264.80	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
33	Founders Hall	\$ 8,293.20	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
34	Chapel	\$ 620.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
35	Entire Campus	\$ 72,796.66	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
36	Coe-Kerr	\$ 11,215.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
37	Community Center			\$ 800.00
39	<b>Total Rental Income</b>	<b>\$ 132,489.66</b>	<b>\$ 126,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 124,800.00</b>
40				
41	<b>Other Income</b>			
42	Lease Income	\$ 2,590.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00
43	Store Income	\$ 2,259.11	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,500.00
44	Duncan Annual	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
45	Cartakers of the Land			\$ 20,000.00
46	Habitat/Trail/CREP	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
52	Misc Grants	\$ 8,650.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
53	Fundraising Events		\$ 1,500.00	\$ 500.00
54	Lighthall Trust Income	\$ 7,063.36	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 7,000.00
55	<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>\$ 54,247.70</b>	<b>\$ 43,650.00</b>	<b>\$ 67,850.00</b>
56				
57	<b>Fund Transfers</b>			

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58	Rose Rine Trust	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 2,500.00
59	Ellsworth Funds	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 12,500.00
60	Ascension Endowment	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 25,000.00
61	Operations Manager Subsidy	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
62	<b>Total Fund Transfers</b>	<b>\$ 58,600.00</b>	<b>\$ 53,600.00</b>	<b>\$ 50,000.00</b>
63	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 395,766.63</b>	<b>\$ 397,778.70</b>	<b>\$ 469,350.00</b>
64				
65	<b>EXPENSES</b>			
66	<b>Program Expenses:</b>			
67	Camp Transportation	\$ 16,582.17	\$ 16,181.95	\$ 15,000.00
68	Background Checks	\$ 391.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 500.00
69	Program Supplies - ODS	\$ 3,698.18	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 18,000.00
70	Program Supplies-Camp	\$ 3,825.95	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,500.00
73	Program Supplies-Adult	\$ 3,297.40	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
74	Store Expense	\$ 6,362.95	\$ 3,076.70	\$ 3,500.00
75	Swimming	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
76	Camper Insurance	\$ 204.00	\$ 163.50	\$ 163.00
77	<b>Total Program Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 44,568.09</b>	<b>\$ 43,172.15</b>	<b>\$ 51,663.00</b>
78				
79	<b>Staff Expense</b>			
80	Staff Development	\$ 1,537.63	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
81	Staff Travel and Mileage	\$ 634.74	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
82	Staff Support Expenses	\$ 2,266.54	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
83	<b>Total Staff Expense</b>	<b>\$ 4,438.91</b>	<b>\$ 4,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,500.00</b>
84				
85	<b>Personnel Expenses</b>			
86	Program Director	\$ 31,076.94	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 34,000.00
87	Operations Manager	\$ 20,730.78	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 32,000.00
88	Kitchen Manager	\$ 37,100.04	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
89	Hospitality Associate	\$ 23,400.00	\$ 24,960.00	\$ 40,000.00
90	Hospitality Support - Hourly	\$ 3,791.56	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
91	Maintenance	\$ 26,000.04	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 26,000.00
92	Groundscrew	\$ 8,139.97	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
93	Camp Director	\$ 5,500.02	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 6,000.00
94	Camp Resident Staff	\$ 13,983.46	\$ 17,289.60	\$ 20,000.00
95	Lay Staff Payroll Taxes	\$ 16,677.95	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 14,800.00
96	Pension	\$ 9,870.53	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 15,200.00
97	Medical	\$ 42,510.00	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 40,668.00
98	Life Insurance	\$ 1,056.00	\$ 1,160.00	\$ 1,536.00
99	<b>Total Personnel Expense</b>	<b>\$ 127,529.53</b>	<b>\$ 138,949.60</b>	<b>\$ 287,204.00</b>
100				
101	<b>Administrative/Management</b>			
102	Memberships Due	\$ 2,717.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00
103	Advertising/Fundraising	\$ 5,579.36	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,500.00
104	Credit card fees	\$ 1,250.21	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

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105	Technology	\$ 2,758.56	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 4,500.00
106	Office Supplies/Furnishings	\$ 1,230.01	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
107	Postage	\$ 769.42	\$ 800.00	\$ 500.00
108	Telephone/Internet	\$ 4,576.32	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
109	<b>Total Administrative/Management</b>	<b>\$ 18,880.88</b>	<b>\$ 17,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 18,400.00</b>
110				
111	<b>Physical Plant</b>			
112	Electricity	\$ 15,582.49	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
113	Heating Fuel	\$ 14,700.23	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
114	Propane	\$ 1,296.28	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00
115	Water/Sewer	\$ 6,392.39	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
117	Garbage	\$ 3,568.60	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00
118	<b>Total Physical Plant</b>	<b>\$ 41,539.99</b>	<b>\$ 39,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 38,300.00</b>
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120	<b>Maintenance</b>			
122	Recurring Maintenance	\$ 3,283.10	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
123	Contracted Maintenance	\$ 2,715.95	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 5,000.00
125	Repair & Maintenance	\$ 3,699.33	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
126	Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	\$ 1,125.41	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
127	Equipment Expense	\$ 7,454.90	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
128	<b>Total Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 18,278.69</b>	<b>\$ 21,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 21,500.00</b>
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130	<b>Insurance and Taxes</b>			
131	Property/Liability Insurance	\$ 22,426.25	\$ 22,164.00	\$ 22,200.00
133	Property Taxes	\$ 273.69	\$ 250.00	\$ -
134	<b>Total Insurance and Taxes</b>	<b>\$ 22,699.94</b>	<b>\$ 22,414.00</b>	<b>\$ 22,200.00</b>
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136	<b>Guest Services</b>			
137	Summer Camp Food	\$ 9,429.05	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,500.00
138	Conference Center Food	\$ 25,432.40	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
139	Guest Services Supplies	\$ 3,772.17	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,500.00
142	<b>Total Guest Services</b>	<b>\$ 38,633.62</b>	<b>\$ 42,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 46,000.00</b>
143	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 316,569.65</b>	<b>\$ 329,535.75</b>	<b>\$ 493,767.00</b>
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## Archives/Historiographer Project Report

### Historiographer's Report 2024

Since the last Diocesan Convention in Pendleton, this historiographer has been busy. The new archives room was completed at Ascension in April 2024, and the archives collection was moved from The Dalles in the first week of June. Again, with the help of Verna B., we completed the pack-up and listing of the remaining materials, and I coordinated the mover pickup from The Dalles. They delivered everything safe and sound and mostly in the order they should reside at Cove. A week later, I drove to Ascension to see if everything was in order, and I brought the last few odd and fragile pieces to be secured. Lisa Boquist and I will be coordinating any future archive requests as I am not resident in Cove.

The second priority keeping this historiographer busy: I completed the book *Mission and Ministry in Eastern Oregon Country Second Edition* in late spring. Again, this is a self-published book that is greatly expanded from the first version. I attempted to bring all congregations up to date in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and included the histories of closed churches, too. The one-page Appendix from the first version is now three and a half pages describing every small mission community visited and recorded in our records. Copies are available by contacting me at [dngeorgia@gmail.com](mailto:dngeorgia@gmail.com). I will try to make them available at convention, too.

Because the archives were moving, I scanned more materials, especially information needed to complete the book listed above. Now I am archiving as many digital files as possible that I have gathered to keep for future use. Additionally, I have made some progress in updating the archive website as another resource for people to use to learn about the Diocese of Eastern Oregon history. The website continues to be available at [www.history-episdioeo.weebly.com](http://www.history-episdioeo.weebly.com).

People from around the diocese and elsewhere continue to rely on our archives for their questions about the past related to the Episcopal Church. This year I fielded questions from a person who was baptized in Condon. Yes, we did have Episcopal services in Condon. I also replied to Hermiston's congregation, and a request from St. Andrew's in Burns who are planning for a celebration in 2029. I have provided material for St. James' in Milton-Freewater for their upcoming book in 2025 and will be assisting another celebration at St. Mark's, Hood River for their 2025 celebration. The most unusual request came from Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB). They were producing a brief show on Oregon Field Guide. They had encountered an old photo of ours in Cove and wanted permission to use it. We gave permission but unfortunately it didn't make it to the broadcast. But the interest in our history was there!

Yes, interest in the history of the Episcopal Church in Eastern Oregon remains, and now the records we have managed to collect are stored appropriately. With the move finished, we need to look to the future use and maintenance of these records. Since I am not an onsite archivist now, future help will be needed. I will continue planning to make our collection more digital for ongoing access. If you have an interest in the history and archives of our diocese, please contact me as we look to the future, but maintain and inform us of our past of the Episcopal Church in Eastern Oregon. --Georgia Giacobbe





# Ascension School

## Camp & Conference Center

*A Place Apart  
to connect with God's sacred mystery,  
celebrating the dignity, diversity, and oneness of all creation.*

## Ascension School Report

### Summer Camp & Program Update

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Record numbers yet again! We welcomed nearly 200 campers this summer. As we ramp up for 2025, you can expect robust recruiting efforts as we look to expand our support staff (volunteer) program. More than ever, young people need care, attention, love, and joy! This was deeply apparent at camp this summer. Our young adult staff also needs us more than ever. Are you interested in volunteering? Contact Megan – [megan@coveascensionschool.com](mailto:megan@coveascensionschool.com). We were able to provide over \$16,000 in Ascension School camp scholarships to 40 campers. In addition to that, local parishes provided 85 campers with scholarships. The need is great - you are responding with profound generosity! Thank you!

In 2024, we celebrated our first Easter Sunrise service and welcomed nearly 30 folks from our community. We are looking forward to exploring how we might deepen our spiritual presence in Cove and continue to invite our Diocesan community throughout the year.

### The Unbroken Circle Capital Campaign

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As our community celebrates 100 years of ministry, we are moving into the future with hope and gratitude knowing we have the gift and responsibility of stewarding this beautiful Place Apart. It truly is an honor. This is the spiritual center of the Diocese and a safe space of formation and fun for children and youth from diverse backgrounds and situations. It's a gathering place for the people of Cove, eastern Oregon, and from around the world. Together, we can ensure another 100 years of connection in Cove.

Nearly five years ago, the Ascension School Advisory Board set out to develop a strategic plan to help guide our program, facility, and financial decision-making. This resulted in several recommended projects for a capital campaign. To be sure we are moving forward responsibly, we sought professional guidance and conducted a feasibility study, from which two key priorities emerged:

1. We need an onsite pool to serve both our camping ministry and our neighbors in Cove.
2. An endowment is critical to supporting both the pool and our ministry operations for years to come.

The study delivered great news – with a bit of a stretch, our dreams are financially possible. The campaign begins in the Cove community at the annual Cherry Fair and will formally launch in the Diocese at Convention. We invite you to join in the celebration of Ascension School with generosity and joy as we bring this vision of continued connection and sustainability to life. *Help*

*us build a pool, keep it filled, and continue our ministry to extend the circle, unbroken for those who will in turn extend its embrace.*

**Facility & Grounds:**

- We are continuing to mitigate the heat waves that come each summer. Air conditioning has been added to all the cabins and now Founders Hall! Thank you to the Gray Family Foundation for their support. These grants are made possible because we are a full-service Outdoor School provider for the State of Oregon.
- The shop and archives are complete – be sure to check it out at Convention 2024. We are still working on consolidating all our sheds and cleaning out years of accumulation. Organization in progress!
- We have acquired what was formerly the Sportsman Club building and are now operating it as a community center. Local folks and Cove nonprofits can rent for events and gatherings and the Cove Community Association is using it as their hub for operations. The Sportsman Club continues to use the space without the trap shooting activities.

**Our Advisory Board:**

Makenzie Dyer - Chair  
 Amy Tensen  
 Aaron Tenson

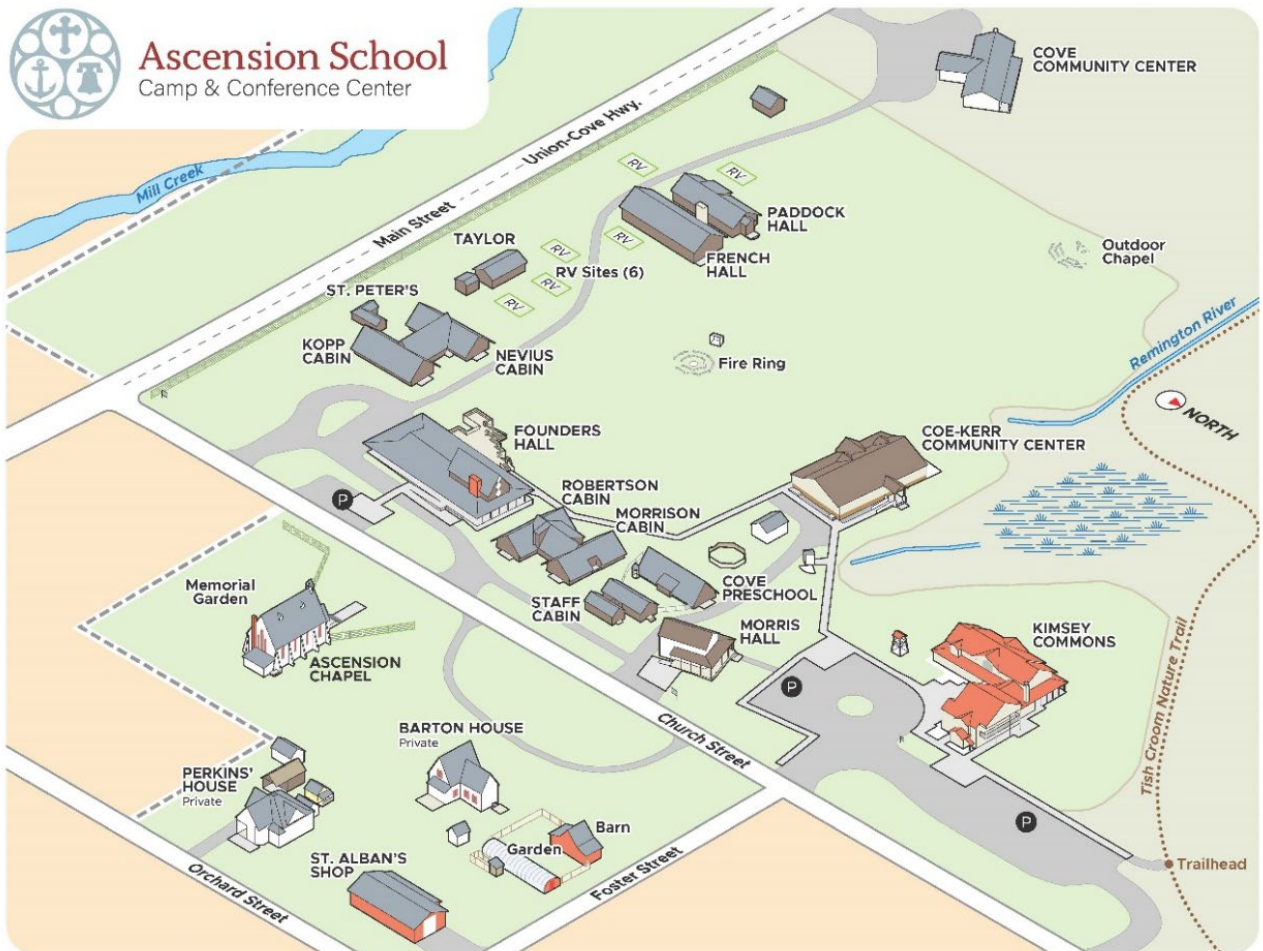
Karley Witten  
 George Nairns  
 Charlie Hammerich

Rev. Kelly Mahon  
 Sean Kimsey  
 Cindy Feibert

**Our Staff:**

Amy Jayne – Executive Director  
 Megan Cox – Program Director  
 Nate Cogsdale – Operations Manager  
 Janette Roberts – Kitchen Manager

Julie Witten – Assistant Kitchen Manager  
 Jason Jayne – Facility/Grounds Specialist  
 Randy Witten – Facility/Grounds Specialist  
 Amy Arnold - Housekeeper



## **Bisbee Fund Ministry Partnership Grant- St. Patrick's, Enterprise**

Our grant application said we would host a Friday camp during the summer weeks and hire instructors to teach the kids natural resource and indigenous lifeways lessons.

However. My life changed May 14 when Dad broke his hip and spent two months in hospitals and rehabilitation, most of that time in Walla Walla 100 miles away. He is now permanently in Walla Walla, at the best, memory care facility. So, as you can imagine, My focus has been on my parents these past two and a half months.

However, I will tell you what St. Patrick Church did with some of the Bisbee money to promote Creation Care Youth Education in our community.

Every summer on the last Friday in June for more than 20 years Wallowa Resources, a local nonprofit, has hosted the Watershed Festival at the Wallowa County Fairgrounds (now Woodlands and Watershed Festival to include Maxville Heritage Trust, a nonprofit that recognizes African American logging history). St. Pat's hosted a booth this year and was a sponsor of the event. We spent some of the Bisbee money on cardboard flowerpots, soil, sunflower seeds for planting and sunflower seeds for snacking, as well as watercolor paints. Visitors to our booth painted their little flowerpots and planted seeds and learned that sunflowers are good sources of food for pollinators and for humans.

We have a lot of the granted Bisbee funds leftover, and I plan to hire the outside instructors I had planned for the summer to come work with our youth this fall. We meet weekly on Wednesdays, but we can adjust special activity time to Fridays (we don't have school on Friday) or Saturdays.

Bisbee Fund Ministry Partnership Grant- Caretakers of the Land



Caretakers of the Land has spent portions of the last 15 years rebuilding relationship with and learning more about Native Perennial, “Dogbane” Hemp, *Apocynum Cannabinum*. This is the most important fiber plant for the Original People of the Mid-Columbia River Basin and is used for everything from string and ropes, fishing nets and line, root gathering bags, clothing, medicines, and more. The knowledge has nearly gone dormant with the CTUIR Community and we have been working to bring this practice back into our regular lives. More in depth information can be found in the application to this grant so I will save you from having to read a novel here in the report!

The Bisbee grant has given us the opportunity to go even deeper with this plant since Fall of 2023. During this grant period we have accomplished goals such as:

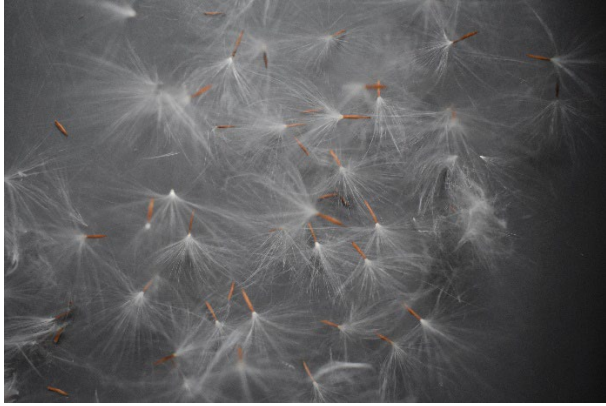
- Monitored and gathered stalks and seeds from 5 known locations
- Located, documented and gathered stalks and seeds from 3 new locations
- Observed and documented many stands along the Lower Snake River, educated several programs and organizations, learned of another LSR village site from tribal elders named after this plant, where native hemp manufacturing was a staple economy, and planted seeds in disturbed areas at Ancestral village sites.
- Taught 3 cordage workshops and spent the summer teaching cordage to tribal youth at CTUIR Culture Camp series
- Collaborated with Plantworks Native Plant Nursery to propagate seedlings
- Transplanted several root cuttings into our restoration site
- Networked and Collaborated with other Dogbane Hemp gatherers and craftspeople located in other neighboring tribal communities
- Educated several programs and organizations working in our watersheds about this plant, it’s uses and ecological services, and the need to preserve and protect it
- Made progress on more larger scale craft projects

During the remainder of the Fall 2024 season, we plan to transplant our seedlings into the restoration site and share them with other grassroots tribal organizations, gathering more stalks, continuing our work with CTUIR by doing excursions to gather and workshops to process and create items, as well as refining our personal practice and progressing/finishing some projects in the works such as root bags and an info document.

This is just the beginning and we look forward to the continued reawakening and reacknowledging of such a crucial plant ally and calling upon their help to guide us into the future! The literal and figurative seeds planted during this year of refined focus on our work with this plant will surely grow and redisperse themselves throughout our homelands and beyond.

Photos included:





## Bisbee Fund Ministry Partnership Grant -Family Kitchen, Bend



Greetings from the very busy kitchen here on the Trinity Episcopal Church campus. Family Kitchen, now in its 38<sup>th</sup> year, finished the calendar year 2023 having served 215,296 meals to our neighbors in need. After many years of fiscal sponsorship by Trinity Episcopal Church, Family Kitchen recently became an independent 501(c)3 nonprofit (Tax ID #93-4777187).

The welcomed Bisbee Grant funds were used to help us pay for insulated meal delivery bags of various sizes and types. This was critical, as delivering meals to our community partners is an important and growing part of our organization's services. In addition to serving 8 meals per week on the Trinity campus in Bend, and one per week in the town of Sisters, Family Kitchen also delivers fresh to-go meals to the following partner organizations:

- Bend Lighthouse Shelter – 3 meals a day
- Stepping Stone Shelter - daily
- COVO Camp Check-ins 3x/week
- Redmond Collective's Aid Event 1x/week
- Peace Kitchen Outreach 1x/week
- Home deliveries 2x/week
- Low-income housing 3x/week
- Additional camp deliveries 1-3x/week

In 2024, we also opened a kitchen in Redmond, Oregon, and began delivering 350 meals per week from our Redmond kitchen to Jericho Table, Oasis Village, Redmond Collective, and Jefferson County Hive.

We thank you for your support, both in the form of funding and in the form of prayers for our organization.

Sincerely,

Susan Massey

Treasurer, Family Kitchen

[susan.massey@familykitchen.org](mailto:susan.massey@familykitchen.org)

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## Caretakers of the Land



### A Summary of Mid-Columbia River Basin cultural and natural lifeway revitalization activities

Bobby Fossek

Caretakers of the Land is now fully engaged in the year-round and total restoration and revitalization of the cultural/natural seasonal round lifeways and habitats particular to the Mid-Columbia River Basin and the Original People. The ability to give full attention to this work has allowed us to deepen many existing and new relationships, human and non-human alike, while greatly improving in many of the skills and lifeways we have been practicing and sharing annually. We are living and holding a vision for a future that honors the dignity and sanctity of the natural laws, each other, and the living lands and waters that give us life, and where any socio-economic venture is rooted in these values. We are carrying on a legacy left to us by our Ancestors and Elders, to reawaken our languages and lifeways and to return to seasonally guided movements, carried by our feet, canoes, and horses, on trails, rivers, and lakes lit up by our many natural foods, medicines, and materials that make up a “healthy ecosystem”. Since the 2023 Convention, our activities are outlined seasonally as follows:

#### Fall 2023

- Cedar Root Gathering excursions and Weaving workshops with CTUIR DCFS Family Engagement Program
- Native Hemp Fiber Gathering (Sponsored in part by the Bisbee Foundation Grant)
- Cultural Prescribed Burn and Social Land Tending at Ascension School Restoration Site
- Hide Collection, Processing, and Preservation

#### Winter 2023-2024

- Weaving and crafting workshops (Teaching and Attending)
- Personal practice and refinement of crafts
- Willow gathering
- Planning and Strategizing
- Hide work
- Rest, Recovery, Rejuvenation
- Buckskin camp

### **Spring 2024**

- Attended other First Foods Feasts
- Root Gathering Camps and Excursions
- Attended and assisted with efforts to bring Wallowa country descendants home to gather foods and medicines
- Attended a ceremony of remembrance of our Elder's efforts to restore our Mid-Columbia and Lower Snake River Village sites, to hear testimonies from living hereditary leaders, and to share our efforts and perspective, which took place at a significant meeting area of the many Walla Walla, Palus, Cayuse and neighboring bands at the Snake and Columbia River confluence, now called, Sacagawea Park.
- Lower Snake River Healing Canoe Journey and Encampment with Palus Led Non-Profit, Xhimstonik.
- Instructed at Ascension Outdoor School Programs
- Featured speaker in one of Oregon Humanity's series of conversations centered around fear and belonging in relativity to land, plants, and animals.

### **Summer 2024**

- Cultural Instructors for the CTUIR After School Education Program's 2024 youth culture camp series. Our area of focus was teaching Tule Mats, Native Hemp Cordage and Crafts, Herbal Teas, Canoeing, Fishing, Camas Digging, and Dried Root and Berry Cookies.
- Camas Camps/Excursions
- Intertribal Social Networking
- Summer Food Gathering Camps and Excursions
- Huckleberry Camp with Palus Led Non-Profit, Xhimstonik, at a significant encampment site of the Walla Walla, Cayuse and Palus.
- Served as a bowman and skipper during a 54 mile canoe trip through the Hanford Reach stretch of the Columbia River, taking along WSU Professors of hydrology, and Ph.D. Students whose area of focus is working with water and ecosystems in the Columbia River Basin.
- Tule Gathering Camp with CTUIR Family Engagement Program as well as a collective of Nez Perce Tribal members who are constructing a tule longhouse.

### **Fall 2024**

- Canoe Camp at Umatilla Village areas on the Columbia River Focused on habitat monitoring and restoration with the 7 Waters Canoe Family.
- Cedar Gathering and Weaving with CTUIR Family Engagement Program
- Social Land Tending Week
- Instructing at Ascension Outdoor Schools
- Native Hemp Gathering and Processing

### **Winter 2023**

- Plan and strategize for long term sustainability for Caretakers programming

- Craft workshops and classes
- Personal practice and refinement of crafts and skills
- Rest, Restore, Rejuvenate
- Material plant gathering (Willow, Native Hemp, Etc)

As with many non-profit organizations, Caretakers of the Land is looking ahead at ways to become financially sustainable. We greatly appreciate the support of the Episcopal Diocese and the Ascension School in incubating this organization and are looking forward to what lies ahead. This level of support has given us the time and resources to give ourselves fully to revitalizing these ancient ways of life and putting our ancestral legacy of traditional ecological knowledge into regular practice. This dedication has put us into critical leadership roles in the healing and strengthening of the original people and places we inhabit throughout the Columbia River Basin.

## Chaplains to the Retired Clergy and Spouse

Diocese of Eastern Oregon  
Convention Report 2024

Since the last diocesan convention, we have attended the Province VIII meeting of Chaplains at Bishop's Ranch outside of Healdsburg, CA. We also attended the Provincial Coordinators meeting in New York City. We are happy to report that we retired as Coordinators of Province VIII at the Bishop's Ranch meeting. A lovely couple from the Diocese of Arizona was elected to become the new Provincial Coordinators.

In The Diocese of Eastern Oregon, we sent 48 birthday cards to our retirees and spouses, made 90 phone calls and met with 15 people in small groups, made 12 home and hospital visits and attended 2 clergy funerals.

We are happy to share what we have learned about Elder Abuse and Scamming of older adults.

We report to Bishop Pat Bell, whenever we know of someone who needs extra pastoral care. We appreciate it when people from parishes throughout the diocese notify us when they know of a retired deacon, priest or spouse who needs extra pastoral care. If possible, we visit that person or call them and offer prayers. We have talked with the bishop about improving the notification process to the chaplains upon the death of any retired clergy or spouse.

The Rev. Celine A Burke  
Dick Burke  
Bishop's Chaplains to the Retired Clergy and Spouses of Eastern Oregon.

## Commission on Ministry

The function of the Commission on Ministry is to advise and assist the Bishop in the implementation of Title III of The Episcopal Church Canons. The two main focuses of Title III are the ministry of all baptized persons and recruitment, discernment, and formation for ordained ministry. In 2023, COM composed a letter to Diocesan Council requesting consideration for funding for a diocesan resource person for congregational development and leadership training. That letter was presented to the Diocesan Council at the leadership retreat, November 17-19, 2023, at Ascension School. We look forward to the possibilities that EDEO's new Canon might bring as a resource; the training offerings of the Faithful Innovation Commission are also a hopeful resource for congregational and leadership development.

A primary task of COM is to shepherd aspirants for ordination through the ordination process. The process requires interviews prior to admission to Postulancy, Candidacy, and prior to ordination. Though much COM business can be accomplished via Zoom meetings, COM members have agreed to an informal policy of having in-person Postulancy and Candidacy interviews. COM met in person August 2023, and were well represented at the leadership meetings in November, 2023 and April 12-14, 2024. Meetings were held via Zoom on Feb. 5, 2024, and July 16, 2024. At the February meeting, certification was given for Joann Dickson, indicating she has met all the requirements for ordination to the Priesthood. She will be ordained as soon as she has been called to a parish. In July, certification was given that Amy Jayne has met all requirements for ordination to the priesthood. She will be ordained for the diocese on September 28. Other people in EDEO's ordination process are Alexis McCarthy, postulant, Hermiston (attending CDSF) and Kelly Peterson, aspirant, Bend. Diane Adams resigned as Chair at the July meeting. Marty Nyman was affirmed as the Chair of COM for 2024-25.

2023-24 members of COM are: Diane Adams, The Rev. Mary Anne Gard, Marty Nyman, The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake, The Rev. Joyce Atchley, Prudi Sherman, Dale Hilding, and Bishop Patrick Bell. Diane Adams' and Mary Ann Gard's terms end with Convention. Bishop Bell will reappoint and appoint new members to the Commission at Convention. EDEO Canons specify a minimum membership of 5 lay members and 4 clergy members (excluding the Bishop). Please contact Bishop Bell, Lisa Boquist, or Marty Nyman if you are interested in serving on this Commission. Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Adams, Past-Chair

## Cursillo

Cursillo Community of Eastern Oregon held its first Cursillo 50 years ago in 1974, with support from the Cursillo Community of the Diocese of Spokane. We have seen many changes over the years; from holding Cursillo in area churches, sleeping on pews, an all-men's weekend and all-women's weekend to having the comforts of Ascension School Cabins, the additions of Kimsey Commons & Coe Kerr, to holding co-ed weekends and becoming one of the first ecumenical Cursillo communities.

Currently we hold a Cursillo weekend every other year, offering a retreat, training or work weekend in the off years. This spring we had a workday and cleaned out our storage shed and built a storage rack to hold the totes that store our supplies. A wonderful improvement to ease retrieving of supplies when needed and providing better space inside our 'Tish Croom' storage shed.

We remain connected with frequent ZOOM meetings, a private Facebook page and constant contact. A Grand Ultreya and annual meeting took place in September, in Bend; hosted by our Sisters and Brothers in Central Oregon. Plans included breaking bread together, election of new officers, some lively fellowship, music, fun skits and an encouraging message.

Looking ahead to the announcement for Cursillo #51 Core Team, and plans for a Cursillo Weekend at Ascension School, **May 2-5, 2025**. Folks who want to learn more about how to be a follower of Jesus are encouraged to explore the world of Cursillo by visiting our table during convention or calling me at 541-571-6519.

*Please visit our 'What is Cursillo' Table, we have 100 gifts in honor of Ascension School Camp and Conference Center and 50 pieces of Palanca in honor of Cursillo Community of Eastern Oregon. Follow the rainbows.....you'll find us there.*

A Sister in Christ,  
George Nairns



*Cursillo is an ecumenical community of faith, love and hope, that supports and energies individuals in our search for discovery and renewal in Christ.*

*Mission Statement of CCEO 2017*

## Diocesan Council Report

The first meeting of the year and a brainstorming retreat was held Nov. 17-19, 2023 at Ascension School Cove, Oregon. In addition to members of Standing Committee and Diocesan Council, invited guests were representatives from the Ascension School Advisory Board, Cursillo, Commission on Ministry, Eastern Oregon Episcopal Foundation, Truth and Conciliation Commission, Faithful Innovation Commission, as well as the Transition Officer and the Camp Director.

The purpose of having additional voices at our meeting was to enhance the exploration and conversations on the future of the Episcopate in our diocese. Four models were presented and discussed.

New members of the Diocesan Council, the Rev. Roy Green and Holly Hendricks, were introduced. Megan Cox and Nate Cogsdale were introduced as the new Program and Operation directors at Ascension School.

The Rev. Kelly Mahon presented the Standing Committee Report. Jan Uffelman was appointed to replace the late Terry Rahmsdorff as a General Convention Delegate. Patty Lindsey was appointed to serve as alternate.

Reports given were the Bishop's Report, the Financial Report, Ascension School Master Plan, Faithful Innovation Commission, Truth and Conciliation, Commission on Ministry, as well as a presentation by The Rev. Kelly Mahon on Episcopate Models and EDEO.

The members of council and the invited guests divided into small groups and discussed the four models. More information can be found in the minutes online.

An online meeting was held on February 12, 2024.

Kelly gave the Standing Committee Report with updates on the Klamath fall and Sumpter properties and the Letter of agreement with Bishop Patrick as he transitions from diocesan Bishop to assisting Bishop.

Other reports made were the Bishop's Report, Ascension School Report, Bisbee Grant Committee and an update on Diocesan Council, General Convention Delegation and Commission on Ministry vacancies.

Bisbee Grants were approved for Caretakers of the Land education program, St. Patrick's, Enterprise Friday Camp, Family Kitchen Bend and St. Matthew's Ontario for a day shelter for homeless.

Diocesan Council met again at Ascension School in Cove on April 12-14, 2024. Council and invited guests were present, those guests included representatives from the Vandersall Collective.

Kelly presented the Standing Committee Report with information on the structure of the new agreement with bishop Patrick, the election of the Rev. Liz Cahil to fill the vacancy on Standing Committee, and updates on the properties in Klamath Falls and Sumpter.

Patty Lindsey presented the Financia Report. Bishop Patrick that Patty will be stepping down as diocesan Treasurer at Convention and David Kosar will step in to fill that role.

The Rev. Pamela Miller was elected to fill the Diocesan Council vacancy.

Reports given were the Convention Report, the Bishop's Report, and the Capital Campaign Update,

The bulk of the weekend was spent in discussion of a possible new model for the Episcopate in our diocese. Extensive notes are available in the minutes posted online.

An online meeting was held June 6, 2024. Amy Jayne gave a report on the results from the feasibility study prepared by the Vandersall Collective, next steps in the process, a proposed budget and the solicitation phase of the campaign. Council voted to hire Vandersall collective for the Solicitation Phase of the campaign. A power Point Presentation is available with the minutes for this meeting online.

An email vote was held on July 3, 2024, to approve the opening of an account at Banner Bank for the 2024 Ascension School Capital Campaign income and expenses.

The meeting scheduled for August 9-10 was cancelled due to the lack of a quorum. A online meeting will be held August 20, 2024 to have an update from Ascension School on the campaign, camp report and grant news. We will also have a financial Report, Standing Committee Report, convention Committee Report, Team Episcopate Report, and Bishop's Report. We will have an online meeting in September to discuss the budget for the new year.

Minutes with more detailed information are available at <https://edeo.org/about/>.

Respectfully submitted by Beth Spell, Co-Chair Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon Diocesan Council



## Eastern Oregon Episcopal Foundation

Re: Report on Activities during 2023 for the 2024 Pre-Convention Journal

The Board of Trustees during 2023 were:

Bishop Pat Bell	Najaria Esty	Julie A. Reynolds (resigned)
Joel Bigelow	Laurance Kerr	Dave Keeler
Jerry Frazier	Patti Knollman	Pat Brim-Williams
Steve Grasty (appointed)		

During 2023 the Trustees held four (4) meetings during which they reviewed grant and loan requests, monitored the invested funds held at State Street Global Advisors and administered by the Episcopal Church Foundation, and initiated a review of the operating documents of the Foundation. The results of those discussions follow:

Two grants were approved for a total of \$13,096.

There were no loan requests to consider in 2023.

The 12/31/2023 financials are attached to this report. Note that 2023 was a wheat year on the Duncan Farm but the wheat was not sold and income reported until 2024.

Operating document review: The Constitution, Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, Grant and Loan Policies were examined in detail with discussions that were extended into 2024 since numerous areas of the documents were found needing alterations in order to meet existing operating practices.

At the Annual Meeting of the Foundation Committee via Zoom on 10/17/2023 a quorum was not present. However, the meeting proceeded with Notes, not Minutes, kept for approval consideration at a future meeting of the Committee. The Notes revealed the following actions were discussed:

- a. Recommendation for Patti Knollman and Steve Grasty be appointed to the Trustee Class of 2027. (Bishop Bell made the appointments as recommended.)
- b. Recommendation that Dave Keeler be appointed Vice Chair and Jerry Frazier be appointed Secretary/Treasurer. (The trustees affirmed these positions at a subsequent meeting.)
- c. Recommendation to approve the EDEO Grant Request of \$3,096 for the Retired Clergy Medical Insurance that appears in the 2024 EDEO 2024 budget. (The trustees approved the grant request at a subsequent meeting.)

A report of 2024 activities will be available at the Annual Meeting updated to that date.

Jerry Frazier, Secretary/Treasurer

**EASTERN OREGON EPISCOPAL FOUNDATION**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**December 31, 2023**

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>EDEO Fund</u>	<u>Ascension Fund</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
BMO Bank Checking	\$ 33,523	\$ 3,309	\$ (474)	\$ 36,358
State Street Global Advisors	\$ 573,026			\$ 573,026
Duncan Farm Trust Property	\$ 252,000			\$ 252,000
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<b><u>TOTAL ASSETS</u></b>	<b>\$ 858,550</b>	<b>\$ 3,309</b>	<b>\$ (474)</b>	<b>\$ 861,385</b>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>EDEO Fund</u>	<u>Ascension Fund</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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<b><u>NET ASSETS</u></b>	<b>\$ 858,550</b>	<b>\$ 3,309</b>	<b>\$ (474)</b>	<b>\$ 861,385</b>

## Faithful Innovation Commission

To all the people in the Diocese of Eastern Oregon:

Many of you may not know why the Faithful Innovation Commission was formed in 2023, so let me give you a brief summary on how our commission got started, what we have been doing in the last year, and what to expect in the future.

First, before I dive into the facts, let me ask you a few questions. Do you know the neighbor who lives next door to you? Do you know the neighbors who surround your church? If your neighbors needed help of any kind, would they reach out to you? The answers to these three questions will vary from location to location, but they are the bedrock of our Faithful Innovation focus for the Diocese of Eastern Oregon. The Faithful Innovation Commission is here to help our diocese explore ways to bring the presence of God into our neighborhoods. Some churches might call this evangelism, but I lean into what the Gospel of Matthew called it, “Good news.”

**How did Faithful Innovation get its start?** It all began back in 2017, when 3 people, Joyce Atchley, Joann Dickson and Marilyn Roth attended a faithful innovation training session offered through Luther Seminary in Minnesota. Over time the three of us began to explore ways on how to connect church people with their neighbors. The Covid pandemic took place in 2020, just when strong thought was being given to forming an evangelism commission for our diocese. While we adapted the Faithful Innovation curriculum to fit our Eastern Oregon parishes, The Genesis II program led by Tom Brackett, one of our convention presenters, complements our approach with its emphasis on sharing stories.

**What have we been doing in the last year?** Faithful Innovation Commission was formed in the Fall of 2022 with 3 members: Joyce Atchley, Joann Dickson, and Marilyn Roth. Katy Nesbitt was added in June 2023, with Sean Rogers coming on board in September 2023. Margaret Green was part of our commission for a season during 2024, but she has recently decided to step down. Our commission is ready to begin the process to offer training for churches within our diocese. A curriculum has been designed to bring to your church if you would like help in establishing a Faithful Innovation committee. More will be shared on how to do this during our diocesan convention this fall.

**What next steps will our Faithful Innovation be taking?** As a commission it has taken time to get organized, to understand how we want to move forward with our teaching model, and how to stay engaged with the process of sharing the ‘good news’, knowing that much of what we plan will be designed by you, the church. Each church will be provided help in moving forward with our curriculum in the beginning, but if we, the commission have a hope, it is that eventually 5-6

churches will want to join the national church's effort on the Genesis II project. The Faithful Innovation Commission does realize that there may be churches in our diocese who do not want to participate with our in-house project, and that's ok, we, as a commission, are waiting to gain an invitation into your space. But as we wait, we will also be making contact with the leadership of each church, to ask permission to present our project during a church service.

I know what I am sharing about the Faithful Innovation Commission may seem vague, but Jesus did not outline a plan either when it came to sharing the good news of the Kingdom. Jesus merely told his followers to go out two by two to share the good news. Our commission hopes to speak to many of you at our fall commission and, as I stated earlier, we will strive to bring our training to your church.

Please contact anyone on the commission if you have further interest or questions.

Shalom be upon you,

Rev. Marilyn Roth, Chairperson for the Faithful Innovation Commission

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Rev. Sean Rogers [sean@seanrogers.org](mailto:sean@seanrogers.org) 208-353-6135

Rev. Marilyn Roth, Chairperson [Marilyn.roth60@gmail.com](mailto:Marilyn.roth60@gmail.com) 541-980-9291

## General Convention Report

Every three years the Episcopal Church throughout the world gathers to discuss and promote resolutions, as well as to enact legislation, that reflect our theology and our aspirations. This meeting, known as General Convention, is a body formed to mirror the government of the United States, a deliberate choice as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America came in to being at the same time. There are two houses – the House of Bishops (like the Senate) and the House of Deputies (the House of Representatives) – and each House debates separately, votes separately, and then presents the results to the other House to be affirmed or denied.

At the next level down are the provinces, made up of all the dioceses according to geography; there are 9 provinces and the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon belongs to Province 8. The provinces meet potentially to share resources, and to prepare for the upcoming General Convention. At the diocesan level, we meet once a year for the same purposes as General Convention, “to discuss and promote resolutions, as well as to enact legislation, that reflect our theology and our aspirations.”

One of the important decisions we make at Diocesan Convention is the choice and election of our deputies to General Convention.

At General Convention, the corporate worship was stupendous, conducted in various languages and styles, capped by the Revival that featured a wonderful jazz band and singers. At the revival, outgoing Presiding Bishop Michael Curry gave a rousing sermon, matched in style and step by his interpreter. We were also impressed by the way in which the elections for Presiding Bishop and for the President and Vice-President of the House of Deputies were conducted, with forums beforehand for people to meet the candidates.

There were 3 Wisconsin dioceses that now have become one, as well as the merger of 2 Michigan dioceses, a great celebration for reunifying!

Other highlights had to do with our Indigenous siblings. Navajoland has become a Missionary Diocese, able to control their own pathways. There was a Talking Circle of Indigenous elders, who presented their own violation and heartbreak as survivors of the Boarding School system. We were reminded that September 30 is Orange Shirt Day, which remembers those children who were removed from their families and tribes, often forcibly, and put in that system.

And there was the Official Youth Presence, the selected representatives of our rising generation.

There were so many things that happened at this past General Convention that it was hard to settle on only a few to highlight. For a full understanding of the time we spent, we recommend that you access the Summary of Actions ([generalconvention.org/summary-of-actions](http://generalconvention.org/summary-of-actions)). There are also videos of the proceedings at [episcopalchurch.org/video](http://episcopalchurch.org/video).

Your deputies for General Convention are Helen Keefe, David Kosar, Barbara Reynolds Mayo, and Jan Uffelman as lay deputies, and Ann Marie Hardin+, Marilyn Roth+, and Charlotte Wells+ as clergy deputies. Of course, Bishop Pat Bell is our bishop in the House of Bishops, and we would be very remiss not to mention our “GenCon Mom”, Lisa Boquist.

## Standing Committee Report

The Standing Committee of this diocese has been particularly busy in 2023-2024 with our normal duties, in addition to designing and implementing the new model of a “Shared Episcopate” with Bishop Pat and Diocesan Council.

After convention 2023 we welcomed Rev. Liz Cahill to our cohort for a three-year term.

In late October 2023, our friend Terry Rahmsdorff died after a brief illness. He will be remembered fondly for his decades of service to this diocese in a number of capacities. I am particularly grateful for the way he modeled leadership for me during our time together on Standing Committee.

Joel Bigelow of St. Stephen’s Baker City accepted Bp. Pat’s invitation to fill the position left by Terry, and was affirmed as a member of this body in February

A word about the transition to Pat’s New Role... As was mentioned above, this has been an eventful year for Standing Committee. On April 16th the following statement was disseminated by Beth Spell, Bishop Pat and myself:

To the Congregations and Parishioners of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon:

As many of you may have heard, our bishop, Patrick Bell, recently celebrated his 72<sup>nd</sup> birthday. According to the Canons of the Episcopal Church he had to resign within three months of his birthday. With the guidance and blessing of the National Church, the leaders of our Diocese have designed a plan which allows us to re-hire Patrick Bell as our Assisting Bishop.

Most of the changes involved in this transition will occur at the administrative level. The Standing Committee will now have the Ecclesiastical Authority and will work in tandem with the Bishop on those matters that require that level of decision making. There is also a plan developed to redistribute some of the duties of our Diocesan Staff, to make sure that we are able to continue to serve our parishes in a supportive and loving manner.

For the most part, there will be very little difference in the parishes’ relationship with the bishop. There will still be visitations, confirmations, ordinations, consultations and all those duties we currently associate with the office of the Bishop.

Rest assured that your Diocesan Council, Standing Committee, Diocesan Staff and Bishop Bell will be working diligently to smooth a path into the future that will allow us to be flexible and responsive to our changing needs in a changing world.

We will be setting forth more information as we move forward in this new phase of our life as a diocese.

*“Rev. Kelly Mahon, President of Standing Committee  
Beth Spell, Co-chair of Diocesan Council*



*The Rt. Rev. Patrick Bell, Assisting Bishop Of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon and Co-Chair of Diocesan Council*

After Bishop Pat resigned (per the canons), Standing Committee drafted Bishop Pat's current letter of agreement on behalf of the diocese. We are several months into the new model of a Shared Episcopate. We will continue to dialogue and be in reflection about this transition's efficacy and our needs as a diocese.

The former campus of St. Paul's Klamath Falls is still for sale, and we are in regular contact with our realtor there. We haven't received any substantive offers for the property commensurate with its value to date. There are some interested parties, but that's about it. We are happy to share that the undeveloped lot in Klamath Falls is under contract for a sale pending permitting.

We accepted the recommendations from The COM for Amy Jayne's ordination to the transitional diaconate and priesthood.

#### Meetings

Nov. 3&4 2023 - *With Diocesan Council*

Nov. 17, 2023

Feb. 12, 2024

Apr. 3, 2024

Apr. 12&13, 2024 - *With Diocesan Council*

Apr. 24, 2024

Aug. 6 2024

Aug. 12, 2024

We were invited to consent to the election of bishops of:

Massachusetts

Olympia

West Texas

Rochester

Mississippi

Nevada

California

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. P. Kelly Mahon

Chairperson of Standing Committee 2023-24

## Truth and Conciliation Commission

Report to the 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon  
October 18-20, 2024, in Cove

Your commission members this year have been:

The Rt. Rev. Patrick Bell, Bishop; The Rev. Amy Jayne, Ascension School; The Rev. Jan Kozak, Madras United Methodist Church; Barbara Reynolds Mayo, Transfiguration, Sisters; Beth Spell, St. Thomas, Canyon City; The Rev. Charlotte Wells, Redeemer, Pendleton  
Sarah Augustine has continued to serve as our consultant; EDEO joined the Coalition Repair Network in 2023. Additional partners are Bobby Fossek and Brosnan Spencer, founders of Caretakers of the Land, as well as Jolene and Louis Pitt, Person of Color (POC) leadership of WeX Community Outreach, a grassroots organization promoting racial equity.

In 2024, the Commission has continued to build our relationship with Sarah, Jolene, and Louis. As a direct result of Sarah's leadership during Convention, 2023, we established a TCC Liaisons working group. Both the Liaisons and the TCC Commission met nearly every month via zoom.

In February, TCC applied for a Becoming Beloved Community Grant and were granted \$8,500 to build on the initial work done by Jolene in establishing WeX's Trails project, for which the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon (EDEO) independently granted WeX \$15,000. The Trails Project intends to establish two new WeX Community Building groups, one in Central/Eastern Oregon and the other in the Spokane, WA area. These groups will also be comprised of POC and White Allies, learning about the Doctrine of Discovery (DoD) and its ongoing negative impacts; the DoD continues to encourage racist practices and systemic oppression of Indigenous people and communities. WeX uses the textbook Journeys of Race, Color, and Culture and, in 2025, will use The Land is Not Empty, Following Jesus in Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery by Sarah Augustine to guide its study. Both TCC and WeX White allies work to recognize and understand how our White lens impacts our world view.

Bishop Pat attended the Salmon People gathering in Washington state and Oak Flat in Arizona to be with Apache Stronghold at their sacred site. Amy, on behalf of TCC, is working on action steps, and is composing a letter to The Episcopal Church (TEC) naming EDEO's complicity during the Indian Boarding School era when there were boarding schools in our Diocese. In late June, Pat attended the Coalition's to Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery's (The Coalition) Annual Gathering in Minnesota to continue to demonstrate EDEO's support of their vital work. Also in June, Beth and Jan attended Pi Ume Sha, the powwow on the Warm Springs reservation, followed by dinner at Jolene and Louis' home, an honor.

At General Convention, EDEO sponsored the Coalition's booth, which Charlotte helped staff, talking with Convention attendees about the DoD and the Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition (NABS) and TEC's Boarding School Healing work among Indigenous people.

Some of us have attended monthly Indigenous Episcopal Roundtable zoom meetings. The intent of this group is to influence legislation around Indigenous issues, such as the establishment of a National Boarding School Commission to investigate, document, and make public their findings.

While this has been a growing year for those who engaged, it is now time for all of us in the Diocese to follow the late Senator John Lewis' advice: GET BUSY and make GOOD TROUBLE.

The TCC will retreat together to Cove on September 30 – October 1 to develop our plan to do these things ourselves on your behalf in 2025.

Submitted by Jan Kozak on behalf of the Truth and Conciliation Commission.

# Statistical Reports

## Diocese of Eastern Oregon Financial Statistics of Congregations and Missions

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2023

City	Congregation	REVENUE			EXPENSE			
		Plate & Pledge Income	Operating Revenue	Total Revenue	Operating Expense	To the Diocese & Development	Outreach & Development	Total Expense
Baker City	St. Stephens Episcopal Church	53,383	75,550	130,227	75,550	16,973	26,170	102,165
Bend	Trinity Episcopal Church	464,449	499,497	1,203,349	574,578	112,347	793,898	1,431,876
Bonanza	St. Barnabas Episcopal Church	6,634	6,634	6,634	11,281	1,117	365	11,281
Burns	St. Andrews Episcopal Church	193,000	427,000	429,733	271,340	37,490	0	271,340
Canyon City	St. Thomas Episcopal Church	20,353	23,041	46,849	20,627	4,604	5,212	31,279
Enterprise	St. Patricks Episcopal Church	14,760	18,760	28,531	15,105	3,021	8,000	23,105
Heppner	All Saints Memorial Epis Church	113,887	113,887	113,887	53,689	5,448	6,286	59,975
Hermiston	St. Johns Episcopal Church	56,454	56,454	79,562	43,262	12,215	20,785	62,977
Hood River	St. Marks Episcopal Church	155,954	182,360	256,046	171,544	37,894	14,647	247,903
La Grande	St. Peters Episcopal Church	40,494	49,275	49,275	40,263	13,792	0	40,263
Lakeview	St. Lukes Episcopal Church (2021)	9,780	9,780	10,355	7,819	1,168	0	7,819
Madras	St. Marks Episcopal Church (2021)	2,324	2,324	2,324	454	0	454	454
Milton Freewater	St. James Episcopal Church	17,507	27,062	30,223	24,252	3,490	2,788	26,566
Ontario	St. Matthews Episcopal Church	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pendleton	Church of the Redeemer	153,218	157,684	186,543	157,690	34,375	23,442	186,549
Prineville	St. Andrews Episcopal Church	30,323	30,323	33,050	25,883	7,065	2,400	28,610
Redmond	St. Albans Episcopal Church (2022)	13,695	13,695	15,338	62,439	36,572	2,400	62,439
Sisters	Church of the Transfiguration	267,307	275,166	275,166	239,691	66,156	6,523	262,514
Sunniver	All Saints of the Cascades	263,546	307,311	645,138	324,538	14,338	665,011	968,624
The Dalles	St. Pauls Episcopal Church	111,579	230,502	253,160	214,301	46,688	23,612	239,978
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,990,647</b>	<b>2,506,305</b>	<b>3,795,390</b>	<b>2,334,306</b>	<b>454,753</b>	<b>1,601,993</b>	<b>4,065,717</b>

**Diocese of Eastern Oregon**

**Vital Statistics of Congregations and Missions**

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2023

— 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	57	54	0	28	28	0	1	14
Bend	Trinity Episcopal Church	528	441	0	122	105	1	2	0
Bonanza	St Barnabas Episcopal Church	19	19	0	7	2	0	0	0
Burns	St Andrews Episcopal Church	40	40	0	13	52	0	0	0
Canyon City	St Thomas Episcopal Church	41	28	0	10	6	0	0	0
Enterprise	St Patricks Episcopal Church	14	14	0	8	45	0	0	0
Heppner	All Saints Memorial Epis Church	95	50	0	30	32	0	3	1
Hermiston	St Johns Episcopal Church	78	78	0	64	47	0	1	24
Hood River	St Marks Episcopal Church	91	63	0	38	0	0	0	0
La Grande	St Peters Episcopal Church	26	26	0	16	0	0	0	0
Lakeview	St Lukes Episcopal Church (2021)	12	12	0	9	0	0	0	0
Madras	St Marks Episcopal Church (2021)	7	0	85	4	5	0	0	0
Milton Freewater	St James Episcopal Church	39	30	0	12	19	0	0	0
Ontario	St Matthews Episcopal Church	140	140	0	11	38	1	3	2
Pendleton	Church of the Redeemer	66	66	0	23	0	0	0	0
Prineville	St Andrews Episcopal Church	37	37	0	15	0	0	0	1
Redmond	St Albans Episcopal Church (2022)	13	13	0	10	21	0	0	0
Sisters	Church of the Transfiguration	220	166	0	79	65	1	0	1
Sumner	All Saints of the Cascades	43	43	0	94	0	0	0	2
The Dalles	St Pauls Episcopal Church	109	104	0	45	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,675</b>	<b>1,424</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>45</b>

## Clergy

### The Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon

#### Bishop:

The Rt. Rev. Patrick Bell

#### Diocesan Assignment

Bishop

#### Canonically Resident Priests:

03-09-95	*Daniel W. Gardner	Greenwood, Arkansas
03-23-96	Charles R. Barnes	St. John's, Hermiston
11-18-03	*Mary R. Lujan	Non-parochial, Hood River
11-19-06	Aletha G. Bonebrake	Diocesan Council and COM, Baker City
02-04-09	Roy D. Green	Diocesan Council, Sunriver
02-24-11	*Kenneth V. King, Jr.	Johnstown, PA
05-28-14	Marilyn Roth	Transition Minister, The Dalles
12-11-15	Charlotte Wells	Church of the Redeemer, Pendleton
11-17-18	P. Kelly Mahon	St. Mark's, Hood River
07-30-19	Ann Marie Hardin	St. James', Milton Freewater
09-24-19	MaryAnne Gard	COM, Sunriver
10-10-20	Ray Jeff Spreier	St. Andrew's, Prineville
08-21-21	Katy Nesbitt	St. Patrick's, Enterprise
07-23-22	Taylor Clark	St. Stephen's, Baker City
03-26-22	Sean Rogers	St. Matthew's, Ontario
10-22-23	Pamela Miller	St. Paul's, The Dalles
11-10-23	Elizabeth Cahill	Church of the Redeemer, Pendleton
06-06-24	Wendy Cliff	Non-Parochial, Bend
09-01-24	Elizabeth Wheatley-Jones	Trinity, Bend
09-28-24	Amy Jayne	Ascension School, Cove
10-26-24	Joann Dickson	Hopeful Saints, Heppner

#### ELCA/Presbyterian Clergy serving Episcopal parishes

07-01-11	Matthew Littau	St. Andrew's Episcopal + Peace Lutheran, Burns
03-01-24	Lillian Stahlberg	Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters
09-01-24	Kally Elliot	Sunriver Christian Fellowship, Sunriver

#### Canonically Resident Deacons:

05-01-02	Janet L. Warner	<u>Diocesan Assignment</u> St. John's, Hermiston
11-09-17	Joyce Atchley	St. Thomas, Canyon City

## Retired canonically resident clergy

(Entitled to seat and voice in Convention, in accordance with Diocesan Canons)

01-17-70	Richard H. Thew	St. Patrick's, Enterprise	priest
08-03-75	Lawrence E. Fredrick	Sunnyvale, CA	priest
10-15-86	Gary J. Young	Hood River, OR	priest
03-15-92	Carol A. Parker	Prineville, OR	priest
05-22-94	Janet C. Schiering	Hood River, OR	priest
04-22-95	Stephen P. Uffelman	Prineville, OR	priest
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
02-17-01	Anne Scissons	Albany, OR	priest
01-06-02	Connie Boone	Cutting, CA	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
06-10-06	Roger L. Fairfield	Sisters, OR	deacon
06-24-06	Martha Cornue Hurlburt	Walla Walla, WA	priest
01-05-08	Gaye Hauk Lawson	Trinity, Bend	deacon
10-22-08	Charles Christopher	Silverton, Oregon	priest
03-19-11	Dan Lediard	Kennewick, WA	priest
05-23-11	Kathryn Macek	Colorado Springs, CO	priest
12-05-11	Georgia Giacobbe	The Dalles, OR	deacon
09-23-15	John Nesbitt	Enterprise, OR	priest
03-22-16	Richard (Red) Stevens	The Dalles, OR	priest
09-09-16	Lee Kiefer	Redmond, OR	canon
06-10-06	Rebecca Lanham Hendricks	Milton-Freewater, OR	priest
09-21-85	James D. Mosier	Ontario, OR	priest
05-19-16	Willa Goodfellow	Sisters, OR	priest
05-01-02	Janet M. Kozak	Madras, OR	priest
05-19-09	John "Jack" Erskine	Sisters, OR	priest
11-19-14	Jed Holdorh	Trinity, Bend	priest
09-16-97	Nancy Sargent Green	Sunriver, OR	Honorary Canon
08-10-21	Linda Hale	La Grande, OR	priest
06-06-15	John Collins	Albuquerque, NM	priest
06-16-99	Jean S. Cupp	Pendleton, OR	deacon

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

\* Asterisk beside the names on pages 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."

**Lay Delegates**  
Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon  
54<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, October 16-20, 2024

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**

Betty Palmer, SW

Molly Larsen, JW

Vicki Kerr, D

Nancy Rorick, A

**Trinity, Bend**

William Carrington, SW

Erika Strong, JW

Kelly Peterson, D

Jane Davis, D

*Steve Welbourn, D*

Eric Artzt, D

*Jan Schwiezer, D*

**St. Barnabas, Bonanza**

*Linda Hammerich, SW*

**St. Andrew's, Burns**

Steve Grasty, SW

*Don Greefield, JW*

Cindy Grasty, D

**St. Thomas, Canyon City**

Julie Reynolds, SW

Jim Spell, D

**St. Patrick's, Enterprise**

*Char Williams, SW*

*Linda Kruger Ebbert, JW*

**All Saints, Heppner**

Merlin Hughes, SW

*Bill McDowell, JW*

*George Nairns, D*

Cyde Estes, A

**St. John's, Hermiston**

*Robert Rose, SW*

*Diana Henderson, JW*

*Alexis McCarthy, D*

Marie Rose, A

**St. Mark's, Hood River**

*Jennifer Meisberger, SW*

Michael Freeman, JW

Jasinta Rajamoney, D

Ruth Tsu, A

**St. Peter's, La Grande**

Chris Baldwin, SW

Nod Palmer, JW

Najaria Esty, D

**St. Luke's, Lakeview**

**St. Mark's, Madras**

**St. James', Milton-Freewater**

Allison VanOcker, SW

*Marty Nyman, JW*

Ginger Johnston, D

Lynn Crawford, A

**St. Matthew's, Ontario**

Tim Lanterman, SW

*Jim Widmer, JW*

Michael Willams, D

Nancy Hoffines, A

Amy Martinez, A



**Church of the Redeemer, Pendleton**

Diane Groff, JW  
Carter Kerns, D  
Sheldon Delph, A  
Mae Finney, A

**St. Andrew's, Prineville**

Nancy Condron, SW  
*Richard Potter, JW*  
Karen Berg, D

**St. Alban's, Redmond**

Janet Brown, SW  
Karen Eastburn, JW

**Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters**

Steve Amsberry, SW  
Marjorie Tipton, JW  
Gayla Nelson, D  
Margaret Doke, D

**All Saints of the Cascades, Sunriver**

Randy Heise, SW  
*Mary Link, JW*

**St. Paul's, The Dalles**

Amy McIlvenna, SW  
Jill Durrow, JW  
Lowry Browning, D

**Diocesan Council, Lay Delegates**

Beth Spell  
Corey Bradshaw  
Betty Palmer  
Angela Pursel  
Holly Hendricks

**Standing Committee, Lay Delegates**

Ellen Nesbitt  
Joel Bigelow  
Barbara Reynolds Mayo

**Secretary of Convention**

The Rev. Charlotte Wells

**Treasurer**

Patricia Olson-Lindsey

**Chancellor**

*Vacant*