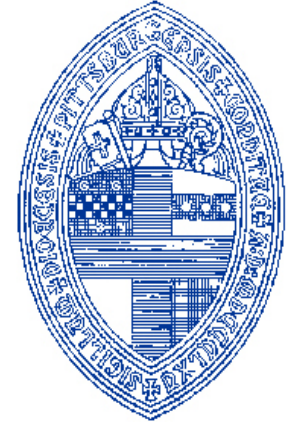


***The Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh
in The Episcopal Church***



November 1, 2008

TO: ALL LAY DEPUTIES TO THE SPECIAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH, USA, TO BE HELD ON DECEMBER 13, 2008

Dear Deputies:

As you know, on October 4, 2008, a majority of the deputies attending the Annual Convention of The Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh voted to remove themselves from The Episcopal Church, USA ("TEC") and align with the Anglican Church of the Southern Cone. Thus the Standing Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh in The Episcopal Church has called a special convention for December 13, 2008 (*the "Special Convention"*) to fill vacant leadership roles and conduct other related business. The Presiding Bishop of TEC has officially recognized the Standing Committee of our diocese .

We invite all parishes in the diocese to identify their deputation to this Special Convention and to come and be a part of this important moment in church history! While individual members may leave TEC, all parishes in the Diocese and the Diocese itself remain constituent parts of TEC.

HOW DO YOU DO THIS?

As a member of a parish you will find yourself in one of three situations, as follows:

If your parish has said that it is remaining in TEC, then give the accompanying form to your Rector as soon as possible. Your Rector will take care of filling it out.

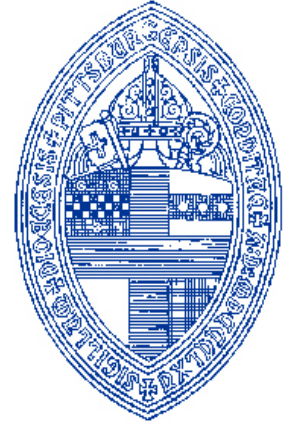
If your parish is undecided or divided on the issue, and if you personally, as a deputy, do not wish to realign, then fill out your information on the form and return it to us as soon as possible. Please note that unless the number of those remaining in TEC from your parish exceeds 201 persons, then you may only send a total of two (2) deputies to the Special Convention. If you list more than two (2) deputies then please fill out the certification on the form.

If your parish has said that it is participating in the realignment, or if none of your parish's existing deputies are remaining in TEC, and yet there is a group in your congregation who are continuing in TEC, then you may still participate in the Special Convention by gathering as a group and electing the appropriate number of deputies. Again, please note that unless the number of those remaining in TEC from your parish exceeds 201 persons, then you may only send a total of two (2) deputies to the Special Convention. If you list more than two (2) deputies then please fill out the certification on the form.

Please return the Certification of Lay Deputies form to the Diocese at the above address on or before November 6, 2008. Please give us a call at (724) 316-5487 if you have any questions.

Wishing you all the grace and peace of the Lord Christ in these difficult times.

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CERTIFICATION OF LAY DEPUTIES

NAME OF CHURCH _____
CITY / TOWN / NEIGHBORHOOD _____
DISTRICT NUMBER _____

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE AUTHORIZED TO REPRESENT THE ABOVE NAMED CHURCH AT THE CONVENTION, AND FOR THE TERMS SPECIFIED. _

WARDEN OR OFFICER OF THE VESTRY (*Signature*)

DATE

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

YEAR TERM COMMENCED _____ YEAR TERM EXPIRES _____

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

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YEAR TERM COMMENCED _____ YEAR TERM EXPIRES _____

LAY DEPUTIES -Please denote the Lay Deputation Leader with an asterisk (*).

If sending more than two (2) Deputies, please certify your number of Communicants in good standing: _____

I certify that this parish has Communicants in good standing in The Episcopal Church, USA equal to _____.

WARDEN OR OFFICER OF THE VESTRY (*Signature*)

DATE

ALTERNATE LAY DEPUTIES

NAME OF CHURCH _____

CITY / TOWN / NEIGHBORHOOD _____

DISTRICT NUMBER _____

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

YEAR TERM COMMENCED _____ YEAR TERM EXPIRES _____

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***RETURN BY NOVEMBER 6,, 2008 TO THE SECRETARY OF CONVENTION,
C/O ALICE RAMSER,
989 MORGAN ST.,
BRACKENRIDGE, PA 15014***

PLEASE RETAIN A COPY FOR PARISH USE.

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