

Webinar Orientation and Voting Practice Sessions for the Electing Convention

The Convention Planning Committee invites you to attend a webinar orientation and practice session, available for all clergy and lay deputies who are entitled to vote in the upcoming electing convention.

To accommodate everyone's schedule, you have a choice of attending a session on **Monday**, **June 21**, at **7** p.m. or **Tuesday**, **June 22** at **12** noon. Each session should last about one hour or less.

Topics covered will include:

- logging in to the convention webinar
- interacting with Convention officials, and
- casting your votes using Zoom Polls and the VPOLL voting platform.

There will be opportunities for you to practice the voting process, and to ask questions of the Convention Planning Committee.

These sessions are also open to alternate lay deputies so they can become familiar with the process of voting in case they need to fill in for a deputy.

Registration is required for these sessions so we can send you your unique VPOLL voting login credentials prior to the demonstrations and practice.

- <u>Click here to register</u> for the Monday, June 21, 7 p.m. session
- <u>Click here to register</u> for the Tuesday, June 22, 12 noon session

After registering, you will receive an email with the Zoom Webinar link. The VPOLL credentials that you will receive separately prior to your session are only valid for the practice session. You will be sent unique voting credentials prior to convention for the actual balloting on June 26.

Lay Deputies: If you are unable to attend convention and need an alternate to replace you, please contact Andy Muhl at 412-721-0853 x251 or amuhl@episcopalpgh.org to facilitate the change. **No changes will be possible after the start of convention.**

If you have not yet registered for convention, please do so now!

The Special Convention for the Election of the IX Bishop of Pittsburgh
Saturday, June 26, 2021
An Online Convention via Zoom Webinar

Click here to register now

Upon approval of your registration, you will receive an email containing the link and instructions for joining the convention webinar.

You will also receive two reminder emails, one a day before convention and one an hour before the start of the convention login period, both containing the links.



Please click here for a tentative agenda.

Voting during convention will take place two ways. The first method involves Zoom Polls, which will automatically pop up on your screen at the appropriate time. The second method, for voting on the ballots, will be using an online service called VPOLL, easy-to-use voting software that has been used in other Episcopal bishop elections, most recently in the Diocese of Chicago. Full details about the voting systems, including a helpful video, will be available and sent to you soon.

This week is our nominee Meet & Greet week. The Pittsburgh Bishop Search website has full details at https://episcopalpgh.org/pebs/meet-greet-week/

All members of the diocese, including those who are unable to attend an in-person event during Meet & Greet Week, are invited to join in a Zoom Webinar with all five nominees on **Friday morning, June 18, from 9 to 10:30 am.** This is open to everyone, but we need you to register here.

Many more details about the Electing Convention and the Bishop Search process is available at https://episcopalpgh.org/pebs/

