

**Recommendations are now being taken by the Nominating Committee
for the following positions to be elected at the 157th Diocesan Convention
November 18 & 19, 2022**

Standing Committee (Article IX, sections 1-7)

One clergy and one layperson to be elected to four-year terms ending 2026

The Standing Committee consists of four clergy and four laypersons and acts primarily as the council of advice to the Diocesan Bishop. It also fills vacancies in electable seats on diocesan bodies or committees that may occur during the recess of the Convention. If there is no Diocesan Bishop, or they are incapacitated, the Standing Committee becomes the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. Usually meets monthly on the second Tuesday at 4 p.m. All Standing Committee members also serve as members of Diocesan Council which meets at least six times each year, usually Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Board of Trustees (Article X, sections 1-2)

One layperson to be elected to a three-year term ending 2025

The Board of Trustees consists of the Bishop, one layperson elected from each District, seven laypersons elected by Diocesan Convention, and five laypersons appointed by the bishop. This body is responsible for the collection and disposition of all real and personal property and financial resources gifted to or received by the diocese, for the purpose of the aid, benefit and advancement of the diocese, its parishes and organizations. Usually meets monthly on the third Tuesday.

Committee on Constitution and Canons (Canon X)

One clergy and one layperson to be elected to three-year terms ending 2025

This body, comprised of three clergy and three lay persons, examines the canons of the diocese and makes recommendations for additions and revisions that may be necessary. Meets as needs require.

Cathedral Chapter (Canon XIV)

One clergy and one layperson to be elected to three-year terms ending 2025

The three clergy and three lay representatives to this body serve as the Convention's voice on the Trinity Cathedral Chapter, which oversees the mission and availability of the cathedral church to the entire diocese. Meets three times annually – February, May and November.

Commission on Ministry (Canon XXX)

One member to be elected to a three-year term ending 2025

The Commission on Ministry assists the Bishop in matters pertaining to the enlistment and selection of persons for Ministry, in the guidance and pastoral care of candidates for Holy Orders, and in the examination of persons for Holy Orders. The Bishop appoints a number of lay and clergy members sufficient to carry out the duties of the Commission. In addition, one member is elected each year by Convention. All terms are for three years. Usually meets monthly on the fourth Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

Regional Disciplinary Board (Canon XIX-B)

One Layperson to be elected to a three-year term ending 2025

Comprised of 13 members from six participating dioceses, the Regional Disciplinary Board tries cases brought against priests or deacons of the diocese who are charged with an actionable offense in which ecclesial discipline may be required. Each of the dioceses selects one member of the Clergy and one member of the Laity to serve on the Disciplinary Board. Meets as need arises.

Deputies to General Convention (Article XII Sections 1-2)

Four clergy and four lay deputies to be elected. Four clergy and four lay alternates are also to be elected. All serve a three-year term ending in 2025.

These eight individuals will serve as deputies to the 81st General Convention of the Episcopal Church, to be held in July, 2024, in Louisville, Kentucky. Alternates will replace any deputies unable to attend. Travel costs provided for deputies and first alternates. In addition, the one clergy member and the two lay persons receiving the highest number of votes serve as deputies to the Provincial Synod. It is the duty of the deputies to make a report as a deputation to the Annual Diocesan Convention following each meeting of the Provincial Synod.

The following will be elected by District at Convention:

District 1: None

District 2: One Layperson to Diocesan Council for a four-year term

District 3: One Layperson to Board of Trustees for a three-year term

District 4: None

Diocesan Council (Canon V) acts on behalf of Convention when Convention is not in session. It evaluates policies, programs and other activities of the diocese, makes recommendations to Convention and gives general oversight to the work, mission, budget and human resources of the diocese. The Diocesan Council consists of the Bishop, the Chancellor of the Diocese, the members of Standing Committee, and one lay Deputy to Convention from each District. Meets at least five times each year, usually Tuesdays at 7 p.m.