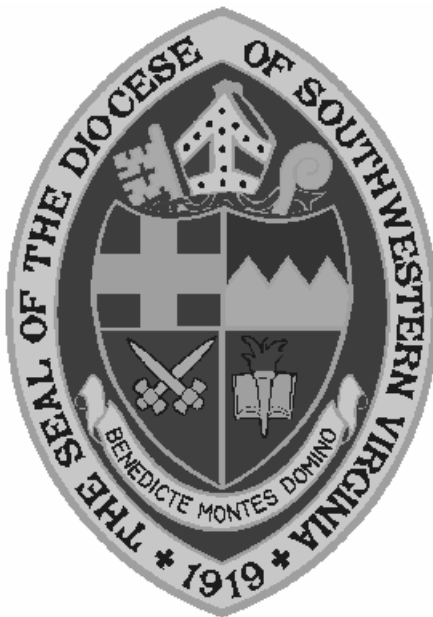


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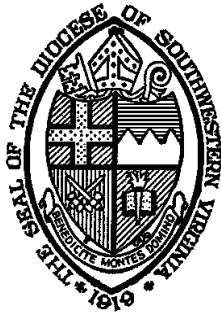


Election of Delegates and Alternates for the 2008 Annual Council

Please return on or before March 31, 2007, to:
"Certificate of Election"
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Council Timeline

- March 31, 2007—Certificates of Election due at Evans House
- May 06, 2007—Spring Meeting; Augusta Convocation
- May 13, 2007—Spring Meeting; New River Convocation
- May 20, 2007—Spring Meeting; Lynchburg Convocation
- May 27, 2007—Spring Meeting; Roanoke Convocation
- June 10, 2007—Spring Meeting; Abingdon Convocation
- Aug. 15, 2007—Budget Requests due at Evans House
- Aug. 31, 2007—Parish Audits for 2006 due at Evans House.
- Sept. 2007—Council information and Fall Mission Day mailing to delegates/alternates of those parishes who have returned the Certificate of Election form to Evans House
- Oct. 07, 2007— Augusta Convocation meeting
- Oct. 14, 2007—Lynchburg Convocation meeting
- Oct. 28, 2007—Abingdon Convocation meeting
- Nov. 04, 2007—New River Convocation meeting
- Nov. 11, 2007— Roanoke Convocation meeting
- Nov. 2007—Council Registration mailing to delegates/alternates of those parishes who have returned the Certificate of Election form to Evans House
- Nov. 30, 2007—Pre-Council Reports due at Evans House
- Dec. 01, 2007—Any proposed changes to the diocesan Constitution & Canons due at Evans House
- Dec. 15, 2007—Parish pledges to the diocese for year 2008 due at Evans House
- Dec. 31, 2007—Resolutions from committees, corporations, and institutions due at Evans House
- Jan. 09, 2008—First class mailing of proposed budget, resolutions, Constitution & Canons committee report, and other information regarding Council to delegates and alternates
- Jan. 11, 2008—Council Registration deadline
- Jan. 11, 2008—Hotel Roanoke Reservations deadline
- Jan. 13 , 2008—January Convocation meetings. These meetings are held to allow Council participants an opportunity to review the proposed budget, resolutions, Constitution and Canons report, and Council agenda.
- Jan. 20 , 2008—Snow Date for the January 14, 2008, Convocation meeting
- Jan. 24, 2008—Legacy Society dinner and meeting: Hotel Roanoke
- Jan. 25, 2008—Deadline for the receipt of the Parochial Reports for 2005
- **January 25-27, 2008—89th Annual Council: Hotel Roanoke**



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CONGREGATIONS

Abingdon, St. Thomas
Altavista, St. Peter's
Amherst, St. Paul's
Arrington, Trinity
Bedford, St. John's
Bedford Co., St. Thomas
Big Stone Gap, Christ
Blacksburg, Christ
Blacksburg, Emmanuel Chapel
Bluefield, St. Mary's
Bluegrass, Good Shepherd
Bristol, Emmanuel
Buchanan, Trinity
Buena Vista, Christ
Callaway, St. Peter's
Christiansburg, St. Thomas
Clifford, St. Mark's
Clifton Forge, St. Andrew's
Covington, Emmanuel
Fincastle, St. Mark's
Folly Mills, Good Shepherd
Forest, St. Stephen's
Galax, Good Shepherd
Glasgow, St. John's
Hot Springs, St. Luke's
Lexington, R.E. Lee Memorial
Lynchburg, Grace Memorial
Lynchburg, St. Barnabas
Lynchburg, St. John's
Lynchburg, St. Paul's
Lynchburg, Trinity
Marion, Christ
Martinsville, Christ
Martinsville, St. Paul's
Massies Mill, Grace
Moneta, Trinity
Nellysford, Peace in the Valley
Norton, All Saints
Pearisburg, Christ
Pedlar Mills, St. Luke's
Pocahontas, Christ
Pulaski, Christ
Radford, Grace
Richlands, Trinity
Roanoke, Christ
Roanoke, St. Elizabeth's
Roanoke, St. James
Roanoke, St. John's
Rocky Mount, Trinity
St. Paul, St. Mark's
Salem, St. Paul's
Saltville, St. Paul's
Staunton, Emmanuel
Staunton, Trinity
Tazewell, Stras Memorial
Waynesboro, St. John's
Wytheville, St. John's

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TO: Parish Clergy/Senior Wardens

FROM: Alan N. Boyce
Secretary of Council
Deputy for Administration, Diocese of SWVA

DATE: February 9, 2007

Dear Friends:

It is time to contemplate the election of delegates and alternates to the up-coming Eighty-Ninth annual Diocesan Council. This upcoming Council will take place at The Hotel Roanoke and Conference Center on **January 25, 26, and 27, 2008.**

Enclosed for your information and use is a spreadsheet that indicates the number of delegates that your parish is entitled to for this up-coming Council, based upon the most recently received parochial report.

Also enclosed is the Certificate of Election worksheet, due to the diocesan office no later than **March 31, 2007.** Council mailings will be sent to delegates and alternates listed on the Certificate of Election forms **received by the deadline.** Forms received after that will delay mailings of Council materials to your delegates and alternates.

If you need additional space, feel free to copy extra sheets.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I may be of assistance to you in any way.

Enclosures

—*from* THE CANONS OF THE DIOCESE OF SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA

As in Effect at the Close of the Council of 2007

CANON 2

OF LAY DELEGATES AND THE EVIDENCE OF THEIR APPOINTMENT

Sec. 1 It shall be the duty of each congregation to send to the Council the number of lay delegates to which it is entitled in accordance with its status as of the close of the previous meeting of Council. These elections shall be held no later than March 31 each year.

Sec. 2 The election of lay delegates shall be in accordance with the following paragraphs of this section:

(a) A parish having not more than 200 communicants in good standing shall be entitled to two delegates and two alternates. For each 150 communicants in good standing, or fraction thereof, in excess of 200 communicants in good standing, a parish shall be entitled to one additional delegate and one additional alternate. Such delegates and alternates shall be elected by the vestry unless the parish at a meeting duly convened, by resolution duly adopted authorizes the election of such delegates and alternates by the voting members of the congregation as defined in Canon 14, Section 2. The communicant strength of a parish shall be determined by the most recent timely filed parochial report. (*See* Canon 18, Section 2 [parochial reports to be filed by January 25 each year])

(b) Delegates and alternates shall be communicants of the parish who meet the eligibility requirements for vestry election set forth in Canon 14, section 1(b).

(c) A mission as defined in Canon 22, Section 2 shall be entitled to one delegate and one alternate.

Sec. 3 The election of lay delegates to the Council shall be certified at once by the rector or clergy member in charge and the secretary or one of the wardens of the parish; if there be no rector or clergy member in charge, by the secretary and one of the wardens.

Sec. 4 The certificate of election shall be as follows: (*See* facing page and its reverse.) . . . But the Council shall have the right, if it deems proper, to receive other evidence of election if the need thereof arises.

Sec. 5 The secretary of the diocese shall prepare a list of certified persons, which list shall be used in the organization of the Council and received as evidence that the persons therein named are entitled to seats. No parish shall be entitled to representation in Council unless its parochial report, parish audit report, report of clergy salaries and report for support of accredited seminaries shall have been received by the secretary of the diocese by the date specified in the canon entitled "Of Parish Registers And Parochial Reports," except that this provision may be waived by a majority vote of the Council. If the right of any lay delegate to membership is questioned, the matter shall be referred to a committee on elections for examination and report.

Sec. 6 In case any delegates shall be unable to attend the Council to which they were elected, their places shall be filled by an alternate, properly elected; such change being made known to the secretary of the diocese by any other delegate from the same parish, or if from a mission, by any other delegate to Council, prior to the alternate being recognized as a delegate by the Council.

Sec. 7 The reasonable expenses of lay delegates and alternates to Council shall be paid by the parish whom they represent.

Sec. 8 The lay members of the Standing Committee and of the Executive Board, not otherwise delegates, shall have seat and voice at the Council.

Diocese of Southwestern Virginia
Certificate of Election Worksheet

Please note: This form certifies to the diocese the election of the congregation's representatives to diocesan council. It does not serve as annual council registration.
We will send every person elected council registration material in November 2007.

Return to: Certificate of Election, P.O. Box 2279, Roanoke, VA 24009 by 3/31/07.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT in accordance with Canon 2, Section 2, at a meeting of the
VESTRY, or Members of _____ (name of church),
_____ (name of town), held on _____ (date),

the communicants in good standing of the said Parish, were elected to serve as:

Delegate(s)
(Please print or type)

Name _____
Mailing address _____
E-Mail address _____
Telephone Daytime _____ Evening _____ Fax _____

Name _____
Mailing address _____
E-Mail address _____
Telephone Daytime _____ Evening _____ Fax _____

Name _____
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Name _____
Mailing address _____
E-Mail address _____
Telephone Daytime _____ Evening _____ Fax _____

Name _____
Mailing address _____
E-Mail address _____
Telephone Daytime _____ Evening _____ Fax _____

Please list Alternates on reverse side.

Alternate(s)

The precedence of alternates shall be in order of the listing on this certificate.

Name _____
Mailing address _____
E-Mail address _____
Telephone Daytime _____ Evening _____ Fax _____

Name _____
Mailing address _____
E-Mail address _____
Telephone Daytime _____ Evening _____ Fax _____

Name _____
Mailing address _____
E-Mail address _____
Telephone Daytime _____ Evening _____ Fax _____

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to represent the said Congregation in the Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia, to be held on January 25, 26, and 27, 2008.

_____ Rector or Clergy in Charge/Senior Warden in Charge

_____ Secretary

TABLE OF DELEGATES TO 2008 COUNCIL

PARISH	PARISH/ MISSION	ALL COMMUNICANTS IN GOOD STANDING	LAY DELEGATES
ABINGDON, ST. THOMAS	P	208	3
ALTAVISTA, ST. PETER'S	P	43	2
AMHERST, ASCENSION	P	35	2
AMHERST, ST. PAUL	M	76	1
ARRINGTON, TRINITY	P	38	2
BEDFORD, ST. JOHN	P	263	3
BEDFORD COUNTY, ST. THOMAS	M	25	1
BIG STONE GAP, CHRIST	P	35	2
BLACKSBURG, CHRIST	P	511	5
BLUEFIELD, ST. MARY	P	69	2
BLUEGRASS, GOOD SHEPHERD	P	32	2
BRISTOL, EMMANUEL	P	356	4
BUCHANAN, TRINITY	P	27	2
BUENA VISTA, CHRIST	P	30	2
CALLAWAY, ST. PETER	P	109	2
CHRISTIANSBURG, ST. THOMAS	P	116	2
CLIFFORD, ST. MARK	P	35	2
CLIFTON FORGE, ST. ANDREW	P	31	2
COVINGTON, EMMANUEL	P	65	2
FINCASTLE, ST. MARK	P	114	2
FOLLY MILLS, GOOD SHEPHERD	M	41	1
FOREST, ST. STEPHEN	P	150	2
GALAX, GOOD SHEPHERD	P	58	2
GLASGOW, ST. JOHN	M	17	1
HOT SPRINGS, ST. LUKE	P	81	2
LEXINGTON, R.E. LEE MEMORIAL	P	638	5
LYNCHBURG, GRACE MEMORIAL	P	238	3
LYNCHBURG, ST. BARNABAS	P	85	2
LYNCHBURG, ST. JOHN	P	1,478	11
LYNCHBURG, ST. PAUL	P	390	4
LYNCHBURG, TRINITY	P	95	2
MARION, CHRIST	P	60	2
MARTINSVILLE, CHRIST	P	419	4
MARTINSVILLE, ST. PAUL	M	22	1
MASSIE MILL, GRACE	P	41	2
MONETA, TRINITY	P	115	2
NORTON, ALL SAINTS	P	84	2
PEARISBURG, CHRIST	P	74	2
PEDLAR MILLS, ST. LUKE	M	7	1
POCAHONTAS, CHRIST	M	18	1
PULASKI, CHRIST	P	87	2
RADFORD, GRACE	P	231	3
RICHLANDS, TRINITY	P	37	2
ROANOKE, CHRIST	P	489	4
ROANOKE, ST. ELIZABETH	P	67	2
ROANOKE, ST. JAMES	P	231	3
ROANOKE, ST. JOHN	P	1334	10
ROCKY MOUNT, TRINITY	P	94	2
ST. PAUL, ST. MARK	P	55	2
SALEM, ST. PAUL	P	639	5
SALTVILLE, ST. PAUL	M	4	1
STAUNTON, EMMANUEL	P	194	2
STAUNTON, TRINITY	P	665	6
TAZEWELL, STRAS MEMORIAL	P	67	2
WAYNESBORO, ST. JOHN	P	331	3
NELLYSFORD, PEACE IN THE VALLEY	M	4	1
WYTHEVILLE, ST. JOHN	P	213	3

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