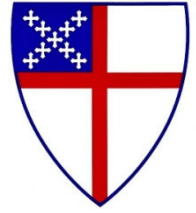




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*Theme: "Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do
Infinitely more than we can ask or imagine..."*

BCP pg102; Ephesians 3:20

June 19, 2023

Dear People of God,

The 48th Convention of the Diocese of Alaska is scheduled for September 28th - September 30th and will be hosted by Church of the Holy Trinity in Juneau. The theme for Convention this year is: "Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do Infinitely more than we can ask or imagine..." (BCP pg102; Ephesians 3:20).

We are excited to be meeting in-person again this year and to have the opportunity to share how our churches and communities are being renewed and replanted in the wake of the global pandemic. Together we will ask ourselves: how things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new? Let us dream together with the Holy Spirit of a new *and* renewed church and a new *and* renewed ministry. How is God's power working through us to do infinitely more than we could ask or imagine?

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Let's come together and imagine, ask, dream and share. Let's lift up one another, inspire each other and give God glory and honor.

As planned, we are returning to Congregational hosted Diocesan Conventions. We are grateful to Church of the Holy Trinity in Juneau for volunteering to take on this task. They are busy making preparations and finalizing details. Delegates will be housed by Holy Trinity, and they are still working out the specifics, including if delegates will be housed in members' homes, a local hotel, or a combination thereof.

REGISTRATION

Registration is required. Enclosed is a **Convention Registration, Clergy Conference Registration, and Instructions to Committees.** Only clergy (priest/deacons) complete Clergy Conference form.

You may also register online beginning June 21, 2023, at www.episcopalak.org/convention-conference/. **Send or fax completed registration to our office before the July 30, 2023, deadline.**

Delegate housing can NOT be guaranteed for ANY registration received after September 5, 2023.

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DIOCESAN CONVENTION

Completed registration forms for each of your delegates are due by July 30th and will not be accepted after September 15, 2023. Housing cannot be guaranteed for any registration received after September 5, 2023, and lodging may become the individual's responsibility. Please submit your registration as soon as possible so that travel arrangements can be made early. Your timely or early registration saves on the cost of transportation. The convention registration fee is \$550 per delegate registered and paid on or before 8/18/2023. The late convention registration fee is \$625 for registrations postmarked or submitted after 8/18/2023.

Please: registering as soon as possible reduces the costs of holding the Convention and greatly reduces the workload for your diocesan staff. I would consider it a personal favor and a blessing if you were to register now. Thank you, Mark.

Reminder: Each congregation is entitled to at least (2) delegates: the Rector/Vicar or Clergy-in-Charge and one other delegate (clergy or lay) for each 100 members or fraction thereof. If a congregation has no Rector/Vicar or Clergy-in-Charge, or if their clergy leader is unable to attend, the congregation is entitled to send a second delegate, clergy or lay, in place of the clergy leader (*For example: a congregation without clergy leadership may send 2 lay delegates*). Furthermore, a congregation is entitled to an additional delegate for each one hundred communicants in good standing, or fraction thereof, beyond the first 100 as listed in the congregation's parochial report (*For example: a congregation with 106 members in good standing reported on their Parochial Report would be entitled to send 3 Delegates: a clergy delegate (or substitute lay or ordained if there is no clergy leader assigned), a delegate for the first 100 members in good standing, and a third delegate (lay or ordained) for the fraction (in this example, 6) of the next 100 members in Good Standing as reported on the congregation's Parochial Report*).

The visitor and youth charge is \$75.00, which covers food and materials only: travel and housing arrangements are the responsibility of the individuals. Visitors and youth are not included in the host-provided housing and must make their own reservations and/or arrangements.

Please note a registration form for every person attending Convention is required.

THE DEADLINE FOR PREFILED RESOLUTIONS IS July 30, 2023. At the time of this mailing, we had received no pre-file resolutions.

CLERGY CONFERENCE

Clergy Conference fee is \$75 per person. If you are a registered delegate to Diocesan Convention, your housing will be arranged by Holy Trinity and your travel cost to Juneau will be paid. If you are not a delegate, you are responsible for your own travel and housing arrangements.

We are looking forward to our time together in Juneau, Alaska. Please keep the convention in your prayers as we plan and prepare.

Enclosures (7)

- Convention Registration Form
- Clergy Conference Registration Form
- DRAFT Schedules/Agenda: Convention & Clergy Conference
- Committee Instructions
- Positions open for elections/appointment (5 pages)
- Nominee Profile Form