

Nominations for the 197th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Maine

Following the description is a list of those currently holding the position.

- An asterisk (*) indicates the person is eligible for re-election.
- A plus sign (+) indicates the person is not eligible for re-election because of term limits.
- A minus sign (-) indicates the person is not eligible for re-election because of no longer being canonically resident OR a change in status (i.e. previously lay and now clergy).

SECRETARY OF THE DIOCESE

CANON 6, DIOCESE OF MAINE (Of the Secretary of the Diocese)

Section 1. Unless otherwise directed by the Convention, the Secretary shall give written notice of the time and place of the meeting of a Convention by mailing a copy of such notice to each Clerical Member of the Convention and to the Clerk of every Parish or Mission in union with the Convention together with the certificates for Lay Delegates. The notice of any Special Convention shall specify the purpose thereof.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to mail a copy in blank form of the Parochial Report to every incumbent of a Parish or Mission, which shall be duly filled in and returned before the first day of the month specified. The Secretary shall, with whatever assistance the Secretary deems necessary, examine all Parochial Reports and return for correction those in which errors or omissions appear. He shall compile, file, and keep on record the statistics from the Parochial Reports for presentation to the Annual Convention following the year for which such reports were made. A complete tabulation of all Parochial Reports shall be printed in the Journal.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to prepare for presentation to each Diocesan Convention a report on the actions taken on each of the resolutions adopted by the previous Diocesan Convention.

Section 4. In case of the disability of the Secretary of the Diocese, the duties shall devolve upon one of the Assistant Secretaries, if there be such, in order of their appointment; if not, upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

NEED TO ELECT: One person for a one year term.

Responsibilities: The position of Secretary of the Diocese requires familiarity with the process of the Convention. In addition to the canonical responsibilities, the Secretary oversees the registration of delegates to convention and monitors the balloting and election process during Convention. Serves as Secretary of Diocesan Council requiring attendance at Council meetings (two Saturdays and two Friday evening/Saturday overnights) during the year. Significant support is provided by the diocesan staff to fulfill canonical requirements.

Time Commitment: 5 days per year

Expenses: Travel, room and meals at Diocesan Convention and Diocesan Council meetings, reimbursed by diocese if requested.



Current Secretary

*Ms Leigh Spahr (2016)

Nominee: Ms Leigh Spahr

Congregation: St. Patrick's, Brewer

Nominated by: The Vestry of St. Patrick's, Brewer

Biography: Leigh is a member of St. Patrick's, Brewer and has served as Secretary of the Diocese for two years. She previously served as Assistant Secretary of the Diocese for two years. Leigh has 17 years of experience as an

administrative assistant and medical secretary. She lives in Winterport with her wonderful husband Mark, and her two beautiful daughters, Peyton and Hannah. Leigh is dedicated and has the desire to do an outstanding job.

TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE

CANON 7, DIOCESE OF MAINE (Of the Treasurer of the Diocese)

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, unless the collections and disbursements shall be otherwise specifically ordered. The Treasurer shall render a report to the Annual Convention which shall contain a certificate that his accounts have been audited by Diocesan Auditors. The Treasurer shall render a report to the Annual Convention which shall contain a certificate that these accounts have been audited in accordance with Canon 18.1.5.

Section 2. The Treasurer may be removed from office by the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, for any neglect, misconduct, or incapacity.

NEED TO ELECT: One person for a one year term.

Responsibilities: The position of Treasurer of the Diocese requires familiarity with accepted accounting procedures and policies and with diocesan financial operations. The Treasurer oversees accounting procedures, cash flow, expenditures in line with current budget and anticipated income. The Treasurer provides guidance and support for the diocesan financial department.

Time Commitment: Approximately 8 days per year.

Expenses: Travel expenses reimbursed by diocese if requested.

Current Treasurer

*Mr. Richard Rozene (2016)

Nominee: Mr. Richard Rozene



Congregation: St. Ann's, Windham

Nominated by: Rector and Vestry of St. Ann's, Windham

Biography: Dick currently serves as diocesan treasurer and has served the diocese in the position since 2011. In addition, he is on the Clergy Compensation Committee, which also focuses on aspects of the Affordable Care Act that impact clergy and lay employees. As treasurer, he works closely with the Canon for Finance and the chair of the Finance Committee. Dick is a member of Diocesan Council, the diocesan Finance committee, and the Strategic Mission Support Committee. He also works with the Bishop, the various Canons of the diocese and congregations in the diocese pertaining to budgeting and other financial matters. Dick is the lay representative to Provincial Synod and was the chair of Maine's deputation to the 2013 General Convention.

Past diocesan and local congregation experience include terms on diocesan council; chair of a commission responsible for a former grants-in-aid program; a member of the Strategic Mission Study group convened by Bishop Lane; episcopal discernment committee; vestry, discernment committee, long-range planning, and senior warden at St. Ann's.

Dick understands budgeting and financial accountability due in part to his career in private industry as a project and program manager. In those capacities, he managed multi-million dollar projects which often had demanding time lines. He has established a working relationship with the Bishop, diocesan Clergy Compensation and Finance Chairpersons as well as the Canon for Finance and Stewardship, key elements for

serving as treasurer. Dick has been an active participant in the development of the process for congregations that receive financial aid from the diocese. Diocesan support is provided as part of clergy compensation to expand congregational mission instead of diocesan funds for building maintenance. Dick believes that the diocese must continue to practice good stewardship within the framework of our available financial resources it seeks to do God's work in the world around us.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE

CANON 13, DIOCESE OF MAINE (Of the Standing Committee)

Section 1. The Standing Committee shall at its first meeting choose a Chair and a Secretary, either Clerical or Lay. The Secretary shall record all proceedings in a book provided for the purpose, and this, with all papers relative to the business of the Diocese, shall be open to examination by the Bishop and by the Convention; and a report of the acts shall be made to the Annual Convention, except such acts as pertain to its function as a Council of Advice to the Bishop.

Section 2. A majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3. The Standing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the Bishop, and shall be summoned at any time that the Bishop may desire its advice.

Section 4. The Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese when a vacancy occurs in the Episcopate, except in cases otherwise provided for by the Canons of the General Convention or of the Diocese.

NEED TO ELECT: One clerical and one lay member for a three year term each.

Responsibilities: The Standing Committee serves as the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese when a vacancy occurs in the Episcopate (except in cases otherwise provided for by the Canons of the General Convention or of the Diocese). Other responsibilities include serving as Council of Advice to the Bishop, consenting for election of bishops in ECUSA, reviewing and approving building plans and loans by congregations, as well as interviewing and recommending people in the ordination process.

Time Commitment: The Standing Committee meets monthly, usually in Portland. Special meetings may be called.

Expenses: Travel expenses reimbursed by diocese if requested.

Current Standing Committee

+The Rev. Alicia Kellogg (2016)	+Ms Elizabeth Praul (2016)
The Very Rev. Ben Shambaugh (2017)	Mr. Bruce Dalbeck (2017)
The Rev. Maria Hoecker (2018)	Ms Brenda Hamilton (2018)



Clerical Nominee: The Rev. Tim Higgins

Congregation: St. Ann's, Windham

Nominated by: Mr. Jamie Dickson, Senior Warden of St. Ann's, Windham

Biography: Tim was ordained a Roman priest in 1987 and served a parish in Caribou, Holy Rosary, served as chaplain at Maine Medical Ctr. as well as Our Lady of Wisdom Parish at the University of Maine. After his transition from the Roman Church, Tim served as chaplain at Long Creek Youth development Ctr. He was officially received in the Episcopal church in 2004 and has served as rector of St. Ann's Episcopal church since August of 2007. Tim has been active in youth ministry as spiritual director for multiple Diocesan youth retreats and four separate weeks as a BION

counselor at Camp Bishopswood. Tim was chair of the Mission Priorities committee for the Diocese and also served four years on Diocesan Council. Tim lives in Gorham with his wife Maureen and three teenage children, Maeghan, Garrett and Maeve.

Tim brings a unique skill set to parish ministry including years of pastoral care expertise, proven evangelization, including church growth and development as well as a passion and energy for visibility in the community and outreach. As clergy representative on Standing Committee, Tim will serve with humility and a prayerful presence that will embrace the needs of the Diocese and the people it represents. A known collaborator and team player, Tim works very well with governing bodies which consist of both a representation of lay and clergy membership. He looks forward with great anticipation to this opportunity to serve the Diocese on The Standing Committee.

Clerical Nominee: The Rev. Nina Pooley



Congregation: St. Bartholomew's, Yarmouth

Nominated by: Ms Janice Jaffe

Biography: Nina Pooley is the rector of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in Yarmouth, where she has served for nine years. During her time at St. Bart's, the parish has managed a successful capital campaign and completed major renovations in September 2012. Following the expansion of the education wing, the parish hired the first paid Education coordinator and developed a lectionary-based curriculum for use by parishes in the Diocese. Nina's focus at St. Bart's has been on intentional liturgy, full participation of the parish, the growth and well being of children's ministries and family worship, and the ways the parish serves the community. Currently St. Bart's is one of three churches in Yarmouth working in collaboration to provide emergency housing to refugees and asylum seekers as they await space in the Portland family shelter.

Nina's work in the diocese has included serving on the Clergy Day Committee, the Diocesan Finance Committee and the Mission Priorities Task Force; Nina is currently the Chair of the Diocesan Finance Committee, and in that position, the chair of the Strategic Mission Support subcommittee, a member of Diocesan Council's Executive Committee. Nina recently completed her Doctor of Ministry degree with a focus on Liturgy and the Church in the 21st Century, through The School of Theology in Sewanee, Tennessee.

Nina has a deep appreciation for the various perspectives around the diocese about life and ministry in different areas and contexts. She is passionate about the work small churches are doing in their communities and has worked hard on finance and council to make sure that those efforts are both valued and supported whenever possible. She has worked to make the diocesan grant structures fair and clear in their expectations, and to communicate issues of finance and budget in ways that people can understand them. She brings energy, compassion and intelligence to whatever task or committee she is working with, and a great sense of humor. She is a team player and knows how to get things done in a collaborative manner.

Before coming to St. Bart's, Nina was the associate Chaplain at St. Paul's School for Boys in Lutherville, Maryland. Prior to that she was the Associate Rector at Church of the Good Shepherd, Lookout Mountain, Tennessee.

Lay Nominee: Mr. Charles Priest

Congregation: St. Paul's, Brunswick

Nominated by: the Rev. Carolyn Eklund

Biography: Charles (Charlie) Priest is an attorney and a committed leader for human rights in the community of Brunswick and the state of Maine. He has been a member of St. Paul's, Brunswick, for nearly 30 years having been received into the Episcopal Church after his marriage to Pat Ryan who is currently Senior Warden of St.



Paul's. Charlie currently serves on the Board of Maine Council of Churches. He is researching the history of St. Paul's in Brunswick and has plans to write an update to the written history of the parish among other current literary projects.

Charlie spent his law career in labor law and serving as an elected official of the Maine House of Representatives. He served in the House of Representatives from 1984 to 1990 and from 2006 to 2014. In the Maine Legislature, he became House Chair of the Legal Affairs Committee, House Chair of the Judiciary Committee and served on Banking and Insurance Services Committee. During three of his terms in the legislature Charlie sponsored the single payer medical bill and was one of the founders of the Maine All Care Board which is working for Medicare for all Maine citizens. As a co-sponsor of the marriage equality law, Charlie spoke on the floor of the House in support of the bill. Charlie currently serves as Chair of the Brunswick Sewer District and has served two different times on the Brunswick Town Council, becoming Council Chair twice.

After he graduated from Dartmouth cum laude in 1967, Charlie spent four years in the Navy as Anti-submarine Warfare Officer and later in Vietnam as a naval adviser to the Vietnamese Navy. After Vietnam he graduated from the University of Maine Law School cum laude and served as Assistant Director of Legislative Research for the Maine Legislature.

Charlie Priest has gifts and experiences uniquely suited for serving on the Diocesan Standing Committee. He is a gifted and patient listener and gives a fair hearing to all sides. He is expertly experienced in the legislative process and has a passion for justice that leads to effective action and results. His gives wise counsel and his sense of humor is particularly disarming in disputes.

GENERAL CONVENTION DEPUTIES AND ALTERNATES

CANON 11, DIOCESE OF MAINE Of Deputies to the General Convention

Section 1. At the Annual Convention in the year preceding the regular meeting of the General Convention, four Clerical and four Lay Deputies shall be elected to represent the Diocese in the General Convention.

Section 2. At the Annual Convention next before the regular meeting of the General Convention, any vacancies which may then exist in the number of Clerical or Lay Deputies shall be filled by election. At this same Convention or at the Annual Convention in the year preceding the regular meeting of the General Convention, the year of election to be determined by the Annual Convention, four Clerical and four Lay Provisional Deputies shall be elected, from which number vacancies in the office of Deputies shall be filled by the Ecclesiastical Authority, if such Authority shall determine that said vacancies cannot be filled by election at an Annual Convention. A vacancy shall exist if a Presbyter having been elected a Deputy shall cease to be regularly engaged in the active ministry as described in Article III 3(1) of the Constitution of the Diocese of Maine.

Section 3. All elections provided by this Canon shall be by ballot unless otherwise agreed by unanimous consent.

Responsibilities: Represent the Diocese of Maine at the 79th General Convention of the Episcopal Church where policy for the Episcopal Church is set. Approve the Episcopal Church triennial budget.

Time Commitment: Some pre- and post-convention meetings held within the diocese and New England and attendance at the General Convention in July 5 to July 13, 2018 in Austin, Texas.

Cost: Convention expenses paid for clerical and day deputies by the diocese.

NEED TO ELECT: Four (4) Clerical and (4) Lay Deputies

2015 General Convention Deputies

Clerical Deputies

*The Rev. Mary Lee Wile
*The Rev. Calvin Sanborn
*The Very Rev. Benjamin Shambaugh
*The Rev. Nina Pooley

Lay Deputies

*Mr. Richard Rozene
*Ms Brenda Hamilton
*Ms Elizabeth Ring
*Mr. Mark Spahr

NEED TO ELECT: Four (4) Clerical and (4) Lay Provisional Deputies (Alternates)

2015 General Convention Provisional Deputies (Alternates)

Clerical Deputies

The Rev. Cn. Michael Ambler
The Rev. Lev Sherman
The Rev. Nathan Ferrell
The Rev. Tim Fleck

Lay Deputies

Dr. Dan Summers
Ms Rita Redfield

Clerical Nominee: The Rev. Nathan Ferrell



Congregation: St. Mary's, Falmouth

Nominated by: Janet Bowne

Biography: First ordained as a Baptist minister four years before receiving Episcopal orders in 2002, Nathan was raised in the Diocese of New Jersey. Ordination came in the Diocese of Virginia, and he has served parishes in Virginia, Massachusetts, and New Jersey prior to his calling to Saint Mary's in 2012. Together with his wife Erin, a professional artist, he has raised three children. Their oldest son is an Army cadet at USMA at West Point. Every August, Nathan leads a group of Saint Marians to the summit of Katahdin in Baxter State Park. In addition to hiking and running as much as possible, Nathan and Erin are also short-term foster parents in the Maine DHHS system.

Nathan has a passion for seeing the lives of people changed by the good news of God in Christ. Nathan is also a very fair and honest

person, who is humble and holds himself to a high ethical standard. Nathan is open to meeting all people and understanding their stories. He's a warm and engaging person who brings a depth of experience in local parish ministry to the challenges facing the Episcopal Church at this moment in time.

Clerical Nominee: The Rev. Maria Hoecker

Congregation: St. Columba's, Boothbay Harbor

Nominated by: Gloria Walter

Biography: The Rev. Maria J. Hoecker is Rector of St. Columba's Episcopal Church in Boothbay Harbor. A native of Kansas, Rev. Hoecker received her MDiv from the School of Theology at the University of the South in Sewanee, TN. While in seminary, she was director of Christian Education at the university parish church and guest editor for two issues of The Sewanee Theological Review. Upon graduation from seminary she served as Associate Rector of St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Brevard NC and served on the diocesan council of Western North Carolina. For two years, Rev. Hoecker studied adaptive challenge leadership with a cohort of Episcopal clergy from around the country in the Clergy Leadership Project sponsored by Trinity, Wall Street. Rev. Hoecker came to St. Columba's in 2012. She is on the steering committee for the Maine Episcopal



Network for Justice and is a public policy advocate for the Y Alliance of Maine. She continues to be a member of the Standing Committee for the Episcopal Diocese of Maine and is clergy representative on the Boothbay Region YMCA board of directors and governance committee. Maria shares this journey with her two teens, Chloe and Max.

It is with great pleasure that I recommend and nominate the Rev. Maria J. Hoecker as one of four clergy deputies to The Episcopal Church's 2018 General Convention in Austin TX. She has served as rector of St. Columba's Episcopal Church in Boothbay Harbor since 2012 and has earned the confidence and affection of her congregation and colleagues during that time. She is well-equipped to represent the Diocese of Maine as The Episcopal Church gathers to discern God's will and proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ+ I am certain that Maria will serve in the capacity of clergy deputy with her usual spiritual and thoughtful approach.

Clerical Nominee: The Rev. Nina Pooley



Congregation: St. Bartholomew's, Yarmouth

Nominated by: Jean Burr

Biography: Nina Pooley is the rector of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in Yarmouth, where she has served for nine years. During her time at St. Bart's, the parish has managed a successful capital campaign and completed major renovations in September 2012. Following the expansion of the education wing, the parish hired the first paid Education coordinator and developed a lectionary-based curriculum for use by parishes in the Diocese. Nina's focus at St. Bart's has been on intentional liturgy, full participation of the parish, the growth and well being of children's ministries and family worship, and the ways the parish serves the community. Currently St. Bart's is one of three churches in Yarmouth working in collaboration to provide emergency housing to refugees and asylum seekers as they await space in the Portland family shelter.

Nina's work in the diocese has included serving on the Clergy Day Committee, the Diocesan Finance Committee and the Mission Priorities Task Force; Nina is currently the Chair of the Diocesan Finance Committee, and in that position, the chair of the Strategic Mission Support subcommittee, a member of Diocesan Council's Executive Committee. Nina recently completed her Doctor of Ministry degree with a focus on Liturgy and the Church in the 21st Century, through The School of Theology in Sewanee, Tennessee.

General Convention Experience:

In 2015, as a member of the Maine deputation, Nina was selected to be on Legislative Committee 16: Environmental Stewardship, Care of Creation. While on that committee, she served as co-chair of the subcommittee for resolution A030. That subcommittee re drafted that resolution from a call for a study group to a grant program funding on the ground research through grants for regionally appropriate responses to environmental need. The resolution passed both houses and was funded by Program, Budget and Finance for the Triennium of 2015-2018 at more than \$600,000 in funding available for green grants. Together with the Maine deputation, Nina co-authored with Calvin Sanborn resolution D050 Authorizing "An Order for Celebrating the Holy Eucharist at a Principal Service" which passed both houses, and provides tools for evangelism and outreach beyond the traditional parish setting. Being bi-racial (Nina's father was born and raised in India), she was invited to participate in the deputies of color caucus meetings at GC78. The conversations in that caucus were both heartbreak as the group gathered for the march against gun violence, and profoundly hopeful when the House of Bishops elected Bishop Michael Curry on the first ballot. It is a rare opportunity for a

member of the deputation from Maine to be included in the deputies of color caucus, and Nina is hopeful to have the opportunity to return again at General Convention 79.

Clerical Nominee: The Rev. Calvin Sanborn

Congregation: St. George's, York Harbor

Nominated by: The Vestry of St. George's Church & Holly Sargent, Senior Warden

Biography: After completing his Master of Divinity at Episcopal Divinity School in 2002, Calvin was ordained a priest right here in Maine. With the support of the Diocesan Clergy Intern Program, he served as Assistant Rector for two years at St. George's in York Harbor. When the internship ended in 2004, he moved to New York City where he attended the General Theological Seminary, working toward a Master of Sacred Theology in Christian Spirituality, while serving as the Chaplain to Episcopal students at New York University. As much as he loved his ministry in New York City, however, he missed Maine. It was with great joy that he and his husband, Dan, returned in 2005, after he accepted a call to be the Rector of St. Matthew's in Hallowell, where he served for 5 years. In 2010 Calvin was called to be the Rector of St. George's in York Harbor, where he now serves and where he, Dan and their four children, Owen, Eliana, Simon and Ben reside. Calvin has been an Alternate to General Convention twice (2003 and 2006). He was elected to be a Deputy to General Convention in 2009, but was unable to serve due to the birth of his first son. He represented Maine at the 2015 General Convention in Salt Lake City. There, he helped to author and

steward three resolutions sponsored by the inspiring Maine deputation and testified at several hearings. He would be deeply honored to represent Maine at the 2018 General Convention in Austin, Texas.

Calvin is a gifted and insightful pastoral leader. He is adept at recognizing the needs of his community and at finding practical, sustainable solutions and resources for them. He brings joy and creativity to crafting liturgy, and is passionate about making worship spiritually uplifting and adapting it to the needs of the worshippers. He is a conciliatory presence in contentious circumstances, and is skilled at hearing the perspectives and concerns of others, even if their viewpoints are at odds with his own. Having participated in three General Conventions, twice as an alternate and once as a deputy, he also brings experience with its procedures and practices. Calvin would be truly honored by the opportunity to represent the Diocese of Maine at General Convention 2018.

Clerical Nominee: The Very Rev. Benjamin Shambaugh

Congregation: St. Luke's Cathedral, Portland

Nominated by: George L. Cooper

Biography: Currently a member of the Standing Committee and the member of the 2015 Maine deputation to General Convention. Dean Shambaugh's ministry has included living in and around New York, Chicago, Washington, DC, Paris, Barbados, and the National Parks, as well as travel to Africa, the Middle East, and Indian Reservations in the American West. He has served four congregations and has had a wide variety of mission experiences, including time as a chaplain at the National Cathedral in Washington, as Canon Pastor to the American Cathedral in Paris and as Dean of St. Luke's Cathedral in Portland, Maine. In Portland he has served as adjunct faculty for Bangor Seminary, been on the boards of Preble Street, the Religious Coalition Against Discrimination, and St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry, and has been active in campaigns for marriage

equality and a variety of other issues, health care reform. He has served as an alternate deputy, a deputy, and the chair of a deputation at General Convention. At the most recent convention he served as part of the Standing Committee on Liturgy and Music. He has a BA in



psychology from Northwestern University, an M.Div from the General Seminary, and a D.Min from Seabury Western Seminary.

As the Senior Warden at St. Luke's and as a former Vestry person I have worked closely with Ben for four years. I can say, without reservation, that he is the hardest-working person I know. Whether it be the growing economic needs facing our citizenry, the fight for social equality or the yearning to bring the Word of God to more people, he meets these challenges with compassion, imagination and unceasing effort.

Ben is an excellent communicator: on a one-on-one basis, as a team member and of course as a preacher! He is fun to work with and a very creative problem solver. When you are part of a group effort with Ben, you know instantly that he is someone who follows through and rises to meet the challenge, whatever it is. He is always eager to solve the problem before any group, but he is also a very careful listener who makes sure all team members are heard.

And of course he is a person of deep faith. Ben lives his life in pursuit of the Christian ideal and is deeply committed to growing the Episcopal Church into the future.

Clerical Nominee: The Rev. Mary Lee Wile

Congregation: St. Paul's, Brunswick

Nominated by: The Rev. Carolyn Eklund

Biography: Mary Lee Wile has attended five General Conventions, the first four as an author for Living the Good News, Inc. and Forward Movement, and in 2015 as a Clerical Deputy. Her "day job" for over 30 years was in university and public high school teaching. She spent eight years as a pediatric hospice chaplain for The Jason Program, and four years as Archdeacon and Deacon Formation Program Coordinator for the Diocese of Maine. For 15 years Mary Lee has served as deacon at St. Paul's, Brunswick. At St. Paul's Mary Lee helped establish the offering of annual Ashes to Go in various locations around Brunswick for Ash Wednesday. During Advent, Mary Lee initiated a Blue Christmas liturgy for those who struggle during the Holidays, and she organizes and trains the Eucharistic Visitors. Along with her work at St. Paul's, Mary Lee currently engages in prison ministry at the Maine Correctional Center, serves as chaplain to the Maine Chapter of the Society of the Companions of the Holy Cross, and leads retreats and quiet days. She

has written a theological novel, three experiential program books for the wider Episcopal Church, and two children's books (these last two through Forward Movement, for whom she has written meditations for Forward Day by Day and for their family-based Daily Devo); she is currently one of the regular authors at Grow Christians (growchristians.org). Mary Lee also maintains a small spiritual direction practice.

Mary Lee is a skilled listener and collaborator, able to work comfortably among diverse groups. Her publications have brought her into contact with people throughout the Episcopal Church, and these interactions have deepened her awareness of the scope and diversity of our Church. Her participation as a Deputy to General Convention immersed her in the legislative process; her extensive liturgical experience as a deacon led to her serving daily in the Convention Eucharist. Because Mary Lee is both a teacher and a writer, she was not only a valued participant in legislative committee work at General Convention, but she continued to explore the outcomes of General Convention through words and workshops.

Lay Nominee: Elizabeth Hall

Congregation: Christ Church, Gardiner

Nominated by: The Rev. Amelia Hagen

Biography: I come from a long line of Episcopalians and the traditions of the liturgy run deeply for me. Admittedly, I did not attend church much while I was in high school and college, but after moving to Maine and starting a family, returning to church was a natural choice. I didn't want the baptism of my children to be empty



of meaning. I have attended church regularly since that time, the baptisms of each child, and then confirmations, were treasured events for me, my family, and my church family. As they grew, all three of my children have embraced the diocesan youth events. These events have been a large part of their growth spiritually and emotionally. I too, in the last five years have been blessed to be able to take part in these events. I have also been blessed by the friendships I have made with the members of Christ Church, who share with me their knowledge and love of Christ and the Episcopal church. My EFM training and serving at the altar have enriched my faith. My ministries with diocesan youth and my ministries at my aging home church have brought to the fore my awareness of the necessity for a new kind of church. I have worked to encourage a church that welcomes both young and old, both established traditions and creates new traditions, a church without walls. I would be honored to represent Maine at General Convention and bring back anything that might help all of us build that new church.

Liz's particular gifts lie in the area of communication especially listening, speaking, writing, and sharing. She has used these gifts as an elementary school teacher and as Senior Warden at Christ Church, helping the parish move to a place where it is ready to call a new pastor and try new ideas. Her interpersonal skills will help her to work well with other delegates, both at diocesan and national levels. Her perspectives of the church from Central Maine will help expand the representation of churches from all across Maine. Liz enjoys meeting new people, sharing ideas, and speaking in front of crowds. She is a gifted preacher of the Word. She is an effective teacher and enthusiastic supporter of young and old alike.

Lay Nominee: John Hennessy



Congregation: St. Luke's Cathedral, Portland

Nominated by: The Very Rev. Ben Shambaugh

Biography: Since November 2015 John has served as the director of the Maine Episcopal Justice Network. He has a long history of working on public policy issues as an advocate in the State House in Augusta and in DC. His clients have included AARP, community action agencies, child care directors and many other social service groups or providers. He has served as a board member on RCAD, the Religious Coalition Against Discrimination, the St. Luke's vestry, Sunday school teacher, verger and an active member of the congregation. John currently serves as the Chair of the Board for SAGE Maine – an organization working with LGBT older adults.

John is a deeply faithful Christian with a love of the church and a strong passion for social justice. An articulate speaker comfortable with the political process, used to bringing all sorts of people and coalitions together. General convention is a perfect match for his experience and

gifts! He is a truly caring person who takes care of details while still focusing on the big picture and long term goals.

Lay Nominee: Elizabeth Ring

Congregation: St. Bartholomew's, Yarmouth

Nominated by: Harriet Davis

Biography: Elizabeth is a cradle Episcopalian and a founding member of St. Bartholomew's. She was a member of the Standing Commission on Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations of The Episcopal Church, which was disbanded during the restructuring of CCABs at General Convention 2015. She served 26 years on the staff of the Diocese as Diocesan Resource Center director, consultant to congregations about faith



formation programs for all ages, and as Archivist and Registrar of the Diocese; she also served as secretary to Diocesan Council. She serves as Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officer. And is currently on the committee formulating a response from the Episcopal Church to WCC Faith and Order's convergence statement, *The Church: Towards a Common Vision*. Elizabeth served as a Lay Deputy to General Convention 2015 and on the Legislative Committee for Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations. Elizabeth also has just accepted appointment by the Executive Committee of Executive Council to the Presbyterian Episcopal Dialogue Committee, subject to confirmation by the full Executive Council at their meeting in October.

Elizabeth knows the inner working of the National Episcopal Church. She is very well connected to many congregations in the Diocese of Maine, and she will be able to carry their voice forward. She is a good listener and is also good at communicating clearly the concerns and hopes of others. By electing Elizabeth, we would have a voice and vote that hears us, understands our needs and concerns, and who has the

ability to communicate effectively with the Episcopal Church Center personnel. Her experience with the Episcopal Diocesan Ecumenical and Interreligious Officers network and the Standing Commission on Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations together her work in the National Organization of Episcopal Resource Centers and the National Association of Episcopal Christian Education Directors (now FORMA), an organization with which she continues to stay connected, help her to understand the concerns of people throughout The Episcopal Church in addition to her deep concern for the topics close to the hearts of Episcopalians in Maine.

Lay Nominee: Richard Rozene



Congregation: St. Ann's, Windham

Nominated by: The Rev. Tim Higgins

Biography: Dick currently serves as diocesan treasurer. He is a member of the Finance Committee, Diocesan Council and several sub groups of council. Dick also represented the diocese as chair of the deputation to the last General Convention. Dick also represents the diocese at the provincial synod as its lay deputy. In 2010-11 he was a member of the Mission Strategy Task Force. At St. Ann's in Windham, Dick has been Senior Warden and Vestry member, a member of a discernment committee, and member long range planning and stewardship committees. He also volunteers at both St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry and St. Ann's Essentials Pantry, (established with the help of a New Initiatives Grant). Dick is familiar with the congregations of the diocese as a result of his work with the Bishop and staff, Diocesan Council, and the Finance Committee. He is married to the Rev. Wendy Rozene, has three married adult daughters, and resides in Cumberland.

As diocesan treasurer, Dick has been able to share the experiences gained from a 40+ year career as a manager of people and projects. He has demonstrated strong leadership skills, among them the ability to listen to all sides of an issue before recommending possible outcomes. At the same time, the experiences provided by the people of the diocese of Maine to him have helped to deepen his faith.

Although not a member of a committee at the last General Convention (GC), Dick nonetheless took a leadership role in preparing the Maine delegation for its very successful role at the GC, from preliminary meetings prior to going to Salt Lake City to organizing the frequent updates by which all of our deputies and bishop could participate. He was also able to make contact and interact with others in the greater church-the

benefits of which only benefit the diocese. Not being a committee member enabled Dick to share information at those meetings and gatherings in which our deputies had interest but not the time to attend during the incredibly "hectic" days and nights of General Convention. With the experience gained in 2015, Dick is well positioned to represent the diocese of Maine within the Episcopal Church.



Lay Nominee: Mark Spahr

Congregation: St. Patrick's, Brewer

Nominated by: Brenda Hamilton

Biography: A lifelong Episcopalian and a member of St. Patrick's, Brewer for the past 16 years, Mark served as a Deputy to General Convention in 2012 (Indianapolis) and 2015 (Salt Lake City). He is currently a member of Diocesan Council and serves on the Diocesan Convention Planning Committee. At St. Pat's, Mark is active in roles including cooking for church suppers, as a Convention Delegate for the past 11 years, and serving as a licensed lay reader and chalice bearer. He has previously served as a Vestry member and Chair of the Search Committee. Mark is a Culinary Arts Teacher at Mountain View Correctional Center in Charleston. He lives in Winterport with his wife Leigh and two daughters, Peyton and Hannah.

Mark has a love of God and believes in a church that is welcoming and open to everyone. As a two-time Deputy, he brings experience and knowledge in the workings of General Convention.

Lay Nominee: Daniel Summers



Congregation: St. George's, York Harbor

Nominated by: The Vestry of St. George's Church & Holly Sargent, Senior Warden

Biography: Dan is a happy transplant to Maine, having been born and raised in Missouri. He has lived in Maine since 2005, after moving here with his husband Calvin. Prior to that he lived in New York City, where he completed his post-graduate medical education. He is a pediatrician in a private practice, and he enjoys both the clinical and the academic aspects of medicine. He has a strong interest in public policy, and has worked with numerous advocacy groups and Maine lawmakers on many justice and equality-related issues, particularly related to the health and well-being of its children and youth. He has served as a delegate to Maine's diocesan convention, was elected as a alternate deputy to General Convention in 2009 and 2015. He would be honored to serve as a Deputy in 2018.

Dan has advocated for causes he believes in since he was in junior high, and has both a deep understanding and genuine passion for creating effective policy and working for justice. He has particular expertise regarding issues related to health care, and has decades of experience related to caring for the sick and marginalized. He is enthusiastic about working with others to create solutions to the problems of our world, and finds the work of General Convention exciting and important.

DISCIPLINARY BOARD

CANON 27 DIOCESE OF MAINE (Of Misconduct by a Priest or Deacon)

Section 1. Disciplinary Structure. The Disciplinary Board provided for in an Agreement shall be a court for the Diocese for the discipline of Priests and Deacons of the Diocese. Members of that Board from the Diocese shall meet the eligibility requirements and be selected as provided in Part B, Sections 2(2)-2(4) below, except

that the number of members shall be as provided in the Agreement and their terms shall be staggered so that as nearly as is practicable one-third of the members shall be elected each year.

In the fall of 2010 the dioceses of Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont each approved an Multi-Diocese Agreement to form a joint disciplinary board of six priests or deacons and five lay people to address matters of clergy discipline. Canon 27 and the Multi-Diocese Agreement may be found on the diocesan website at www.tinyurl.com/mainecc.

NEED TO ELECT: One lay member for a three (3) year term.

(According to the Multi-Diocese Agreement, between Convention 2014 and Convention 2017, the Diocese of Maine will hold four seats, two clerical and two lay.)

Responsibilities: In the event of a charge of clergy misconduct, members of Disciplinary Board must meet to review the matter in accordance with the Multi-Diocese Agreement and the requirements of Canon 27. If the Disciplinary Board is called upon to consider a disciplinary matter, extended meetings are a possibility.

Time Commitment: As needed until the matter is resolved.

Expenses: Travel expenses reimbursed by the diocese if requested.

Current Disciplinary Board

*Ms Cynthia Widdows (2016)

Ms Patricia Ryan (2017)

The Rev. Craig Hacker (2017)

The Rev. Judson Pealer (2018)

Nominee: Elise Magnuson

Congregation: St. Luke's Cathedral, Portland

Nominated by: The Very Rev. Ben Shambaugh



Biography: Elise was raised in the Diocese of Newark and is a cradle Episcopalian. As an adult she has been an active member of each congregation she has belonged to. She has run Bible studies, participated in EFM and fellowship groups, and served on the vestry. She earned her MSW from NYU and moved to Kansas where she lived for four years. There she worked as a therapist at the community mental health center. She developed an appreciation for how deeply people can be broken and how good people can do bad things. She moved on to Colorado where she earned her PsyD. At the time she was working as a therapist treating sex offenders in the community. As part of the reunification work, she learned how hard it can be to navigate both the pain and healing. Elise developed an appreciation for how important it is to deeply listen and find "the problem" even when it's not what is presented to her. After a brief period in Oregon, Elise moved to Maine where she has been working as a psychologist. Here she has learned to appreciate the

forgotten people and God's presence with everyone. Her current work is primarily forensic in nature. She serves on the Vestry of St. Luke's and is chairing a discernment committee.

PROVINCIAL SYNOD

CANON 12, DIOCESE OF MAINE (Of Deputies to the Provincial Synod)

Section 1. Every two years, one clerical deputy and one lay alternate deputy to the Provincial Synod, may be elected by the Annual Convention for a term of two years; and in the intervening years, one lay deputy and one clerical alternate deputy to the Provincial Synod may be elected for a term of two years.

Section 2. If the Annual Convention does not elect either or both of the deputies or alternate deputies in any year as provided in Section 1, or if any deputy office becomes vacant during the term thereof, the persons serving from time to time as First Clerical Deputy, Second Clerical Deputy, First Lay Deputy and Second Lay Deputy to the House of Deputies of the General Convention of The Episcopal Church from the Diocese of Maine shall serve ex officio in the vacant office as the Clerical Deputy, Alternate Clerical Deputy, Lay Deputy and Alternate Lay Deputy, respectively, to the Provincial Synod from the Diocese of Maine.

NEED TO ELECT: One lay deputy for a two year term and one clerical alternate for a two year term

Responsibilities: Deputies to Provincial Synod serve as representatives of the Diocese of Maine to the Province of New England (Province 1). Responsibilities include review of various provincial programs and policies and approval of the provincial budget.

Time Commitment: Attendance at one or two provincial meetings per year.

Expenses: Travel expenses reimbursed by diocese if requested.

Current Provincial Synod Members

Clerical Deputy The Ven. Aaron Perkins (2017)

Lay Deputy Mr. Dick Rozene (*ex officio*)

Clerical Alternate The Rev. Mary Lee Wile (*ex officio*)

Lay Alternate Ms Brenda Hamilton (*ex officio*)

Lay Deputy Nominee: No nomination submitted

Clerical Alternate Nominee: No nomination submitted

TRUSTEES OF DIOCESAN FUNDS

Special Laws of Maine: TRUSTEES OF DIOCESAN FUNDS

Private and Special Laws of 1849, Chapter 229 (as amended by P&SL 1864, c. 311; P&SL 1880, c. 214; P&SL 1895, c. 106; P&SL 1897, c. 452; P&SL 1917, c. 163; P&SL 1967, c. 31; P&SL 1994, c. 70)

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NEED TO ELECT: Two trustees for a four year term each



Nominee: Lawrence E. Dwight

Congregation: St. David's, Kennebunk

Nominated by: Terrance Reimer

Biography: Lawrence E. Dwight is the current President of the Trustees of Diocesan Funds and has served in the investment community since 1960, most recently with Morgan Stanley in Portland, Maine. He is past Vice-Chairman of the Maine Municipal Bond Bank. Previously, he was Chairman of the Finance Authority of Maine and is active on local committees. He is a parishioner of St. David's in Kennebunk, where he has served in a variety of lay leadership roles, and at St. Ann's in Kennebunkport.

Nominee: Elizabeth T. McCandless

Congregation: St. Mary's, Falmouth

Nominated by: Terrance Reimer



Biography: In 1992, Betsey was a founding partner of Maine's first boutique law firm restricting its practice to trust and estate matters, now known as McCandless & Coburn. She received a B.A. from Franklin & Marshall College in 1977 and a J.D. in 1982 from Hofstra University School of Law, where she was an associate editor of the Hofstra Law Review. Betsey moved to Maine in 1985 from New York City to raise her three children. She is a Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC) and previously served as Chair of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court's Advisory Committee on Probate Rules and as Vice Chair of the Board of the University of Maine Foundation. Betsey is currently on the Board of Directors of Hospice of Southern Maine and a Trustee of the Portland Museum of Art and frequently lectures on charitable giving, estate administration and estate and gift tax matters.

Betsey's professional knowledge and experience as a trust and estate lawyer, particularly with respect to the fiduciary duties and obligations of the trustees and the governance of charitable organizations, is useful to the Trustees of Diocesan Funds.