

The Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

6 November 2025

MEMORANDUM TO: Clergy and Senior Wardens in Charge of Congregations without Clergy

FROM: Bishop Kendrick

REFERENCE: 55th Annual Diocesan Convention – "Let There Be Light"

February 27-28, 2026 Hilton Pensacola Beach

Hosted by St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church, Gulf Breeze, Florida

In accordance with Canon 3, Sections 4 and 5, of this diocese:

- a) The number of lay delegates per congregation is based on parish or mission status and upon the number of communicants in good standing, as listed on the 2024 Parochial Report, page 2, line 3. For your convenience, the list on the reverse shows the number of lay delegates each congregation may elect.
- b) Lay delegates are elected for one year, or until their successors are elected, and shall also be the delegates for any special and called meetings of the Convention during their term of service. Each congregation shall also be entitled to elect one (1) alternate delegate for each delegate.
- c) Lay delegates should be elected and certified no later than <u>sixty</u> days prior to the date of the Convention.

THEREFORE:

Lay delegates should be **ELECTED AND CERTIFIED ON OR BEFORE December 29, 2025.**

Please complete your delegation's CERTIFICATION via the online REGISTRATION FORM found at www.diocgc.org/2026-diocesan-convention.

Report delays to jenn@diocgc.org.

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