

Diocesan Chief of Staff Ed Jones Announces Retirement

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Secretary and Chief of Staff Ed Jones Announces Retirement

The Rev. Deacon Edward W. Jones, secretary of the Diocese and chief of staff, has announced his retirement effective November 30.

Ed joined the diocesan staff in March 2013, after a 40-year career at the Fredericksburg Free Lance-Star.

As secretary, Ed has managed the governing bodies of the Diocese, including Annual Convention, and has provided oversight of communications and public relations in the Diocese. He also has served as senior advisor to the bishops. As chief of staff, Ed has supervised and supported 22 diocesan staff members.

At the diocesan level, Ed has served as editor of Center Aisle, the Diocese of Virginia's daily opinion journal at General Convention, since 2000.

"It has been a singular honor to serve with the bishops, the staff and the people of the Diocese over these past six years," said Ed. "I leave this post filled with optimism about our future. I have no doubt that the Holy Spirit has big things in store for us."

Bishop Suffragan Susan Goff praised Ed's ministry in the Diocese saying, "I have long appreciated Ed's clarity of thought and language and will miss his unique, diaconal perspectives about our life together as a Diocese. I wish him and Peggy every joy and blessing in this well-earned retirement."

Ed is looking forward to active retirement with his wife, Peggy. The couple will continue to reside in Fredericksburg.

