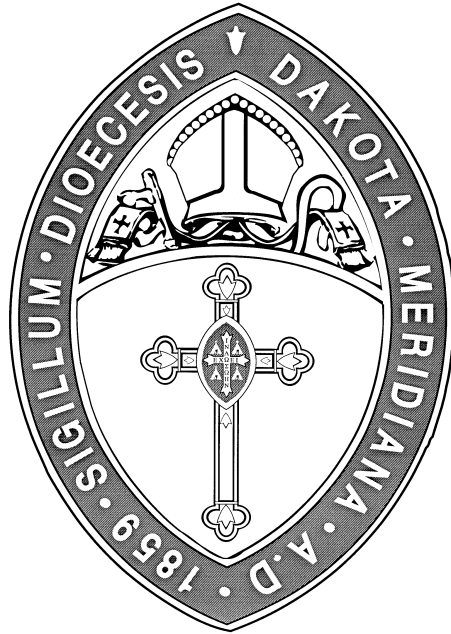


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The Right Reverend  
Creighton L. Robertson  
IX Bishop of South Dakota



The Reverend  
John T. Tarrant  
Bishop Coadjutor-elect

**MISSION STATEMENT  
OF THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

The Mission of the Diocese of South Dakota is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ through the ministry of all.

**VISION OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
IN SOUTH DAKOTA**

The Episcopal Church in South Dakota is a sacred circle gathered around Jesus in prayer, loving and serving God and our neighbor in Jesus' name.

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## **Diocesan Bishops**

### **The First Bishop**

The Right Reverend William Hobart Hare, 1883-1909

### **The Second Bishop**

The Right Reverend Frederick Foote Johnson, 1910-1911

### **The Third Bishop**

The Right Reverend George Biller, Jr., 1912-1915

### **The Fourth Bishop**

The Right Reverend Hugh Latimer Burleson, 1916-1931

### **The Fifth Bishop**

The Right Reverend W. Blair Roberts, 1931-1954

### **The Sixth Bishop**

The Right Reverend Conrad H. Gesner, 1954-1970

### **The Seventh Bishop**

The Right Reverend Walter Heath Jones, 1970-1983

### **The Eighth Bishop**

The Right Reverend Craig Barry Anderson, 1984-1992

### **The Ninth Bishop**

The Right Reverend Creighton Leland Robertson, 1994-2009

### **The Tenth Bishop**

The Right Reverend John Thomas Tarrant, 2009-

### **Bishops Suffragan**

The Right Reverend William P. Remington, 1918-1922

The Right Reverend W. Blair Roberts, 1922-1931

The Right Reverend Harold S. Jones, 1971-1976

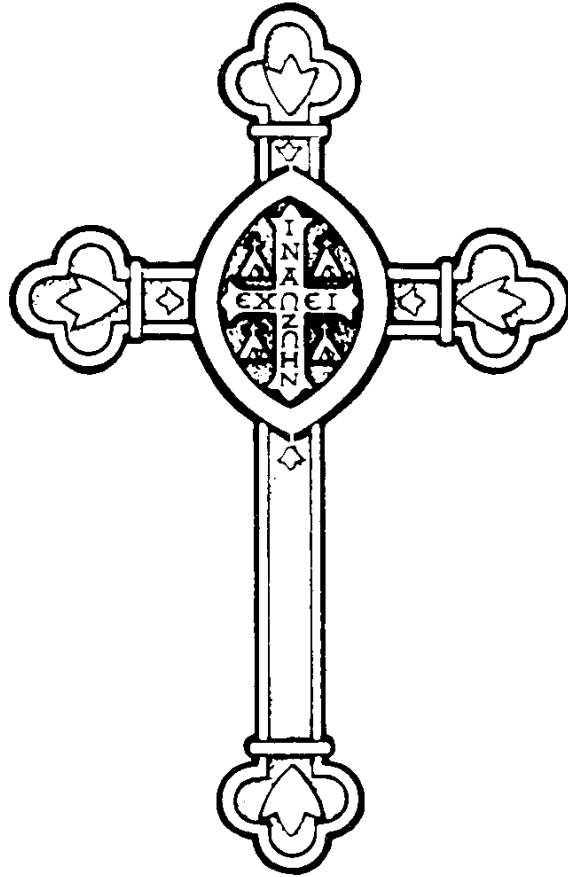
### **Bishops Coadjutor**

The Right Reverend Conrad H. Gesner, 1945-1954

The Right Reverend Lyman C. Ogilby, 1964-1970

### **Bishops Assistant**

The Right Reverend Frederick Foote Johnson, 1905-1909



## **DIRECTORY**

**Commissions + Deaneries + Churches + Vestries**

## DIRECTORY OF COMMISSIONS

### Niobrara Council Officers

The Rev. Les Campbell, Itancan  
Johnny Wilson, Vice-Itancan

Patricia White Horse-Carda, Secretary  
Kim Fonder, Treasurer

### Diocesan Council

Chair	The Right Reverend Creighton L. Robertson
Chancellor & Vice Chair	Steven W. Sanford
Treasurer	Chuck Bahnson

	<b>Term Expires</b>
Convention Representative – The Rev David Hussey	2009
Black Hills Deanery – The Rev Bunker Hill	2007
Central Deanery – Patricia Tarrant	2010
Eastern Deanery – Deacon Susan Lyman	2009
Niobrara Deanery – Pat LeBeau	2008
Northeast Deanery – Vern Cloud	2010
Northwest Deanery – Vacant	2007
Pine Ridge Deanery – Johnny Wilson	2008
Rosebud Deanery – Pete Haukaas	2009

### The Standing Committee

#### Clergy

The Rev. Webster Two Hawk (2009)  
The Rev. John Spruhan (2010)  
The Rev. The Rev. Les Campbell (2011)  
The Rev. George Parmeter (2009)

#### Laity

Anne Montileaux (2009)  
Jean Lacher (2010)  
Kim Fonder (2011)  
Pat White Horse-Carda (2012)

### Commission on Ministry

Deacon Virginia Bird  
The Reverend Judy Flagstad  
Barbee Hovelson  
Dottie LeBeau  
The Reverend Rita Powell

The Reverend Dr. Vern Raschke  
Ginny Slechta, Secretary  
The Reverend Paul Sneve, Vice Chair  
The Reverend Evelyn Weaver, Chair

### Province VI Deputies

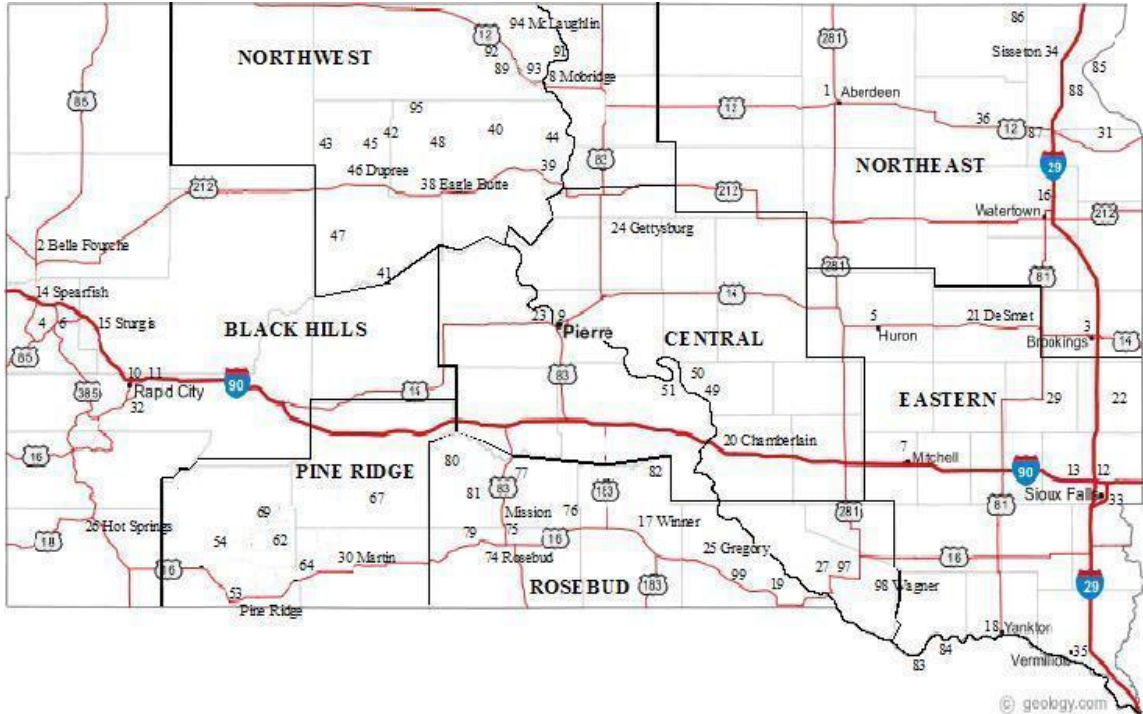
#### Clergy Deputies

Deacon Susan Lyman  
The Reverend Kathryn Costas

#### Lay Deputies

Barbara Oates (2010)

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## Deaneries

### Black Hills Deanery

The Very Reverend Bunker Hill, Dean

Belle Fourche, St. James  
Deadwood, St. John's  
Hot Springs, St. Luke's  
Lead, Christ Church

Rapid City, Emmanuel  
Rapid City, St. Andrew's  
Rapid city, St. Matthew's  
Spearfish, Church of All Angels  
Sturgis, St. Thomas

### Central Deanery

Chamberlain, Christ Church  
Crow Creek, St. John the Baptist  
Ft. Pierre, St. Peter's  
Ft. Thompson, Christ Church

Gettysburg, Christ Church  
Lower Brule, Holy Comforter  
Pierre, Trinity

### Eastern Deanery

The Very Reverend Liam Muller, Dean

DeSmet, St. Stephen's  
Flandreau, St. Mary's & Our Blessed Redeemer  
Howe Creek, NE, Blessed Redeemer  
Huron, Grace  
Madison, Grace  
Mitchell, St. Mary's

Santee, NE, Our Most Merciful Savior  
Sioux Falls, Calvary Cathedral  
Sioux Falls, Good Shepherd  
Sioux Falls, Holy Apostles  
Vermillion, St. Paul's  
Yankton, Christ Church

### **Northwest Deanery**

The Very Reverend Rob Schwarz, Dean

Bear Creek, St. James	Bullhead, St. John the Baptist
Blackfoot, Ascension	Firesteel, Holy Spirit
Cherry Creek, St. Andrew's	Little Eagle, St. Paul's
Dupree, St. Philip's	Little Oak Creek, Good Shepherd
Eagle Butte, St. John the Evangelist	McLaughlin, St. Peter's
Iron Lightning, St. Luke's	Wakpala, St. Elizabeth
On The Tree, St. Thomas	
Promise, St. Mary's	Mobridge, St. James
Thunder Butte, St. Peter's	
White Horse, Emmanuel	

### **Northeast Deanery**

The Very Reverend Kathryn Costas, Dean

Aberdeen, St. Mark's	Old Agency, St. Mary's
Brookings, St. Paul's	Sisseton, Gethsemane
Browns Valley, MN, St. John's	Veblen, St. Luke's
Enemy Swim Lake, St. James	Watertown, Trinity
Milbank, Christ Church	Webster, St. Mary's

### **Pine Ridge Deanery**

The Very Reverend Craig West, Dean

Batesland, St. Michael's	Pine Ridge, Holy Cross
Calico, Church of the Advent	Porcupine, St. Julia's
Kyle, Mediator	Red Shirt Table, Christ Church
Martin, St. Katharine's	Wanblee, Gethsemane

### **Rosebud Deanery**

The Very Reverend John Spruhan, Dean  
Pat LeBeau, Vice Dean

Corn Creek, St. Thomas	Bonesteel, St. Andrew's
Ideal, Holy Spirit	Gregory, Incarnation
Mission, Trinity	Herrick, All Saints
Norris, St. Paul's	Lake Andes, St. Philip's
Okreek, Calvary	Lake Andes, St. Peter's
Parmelee, Holy Innocents	Wagner, Holy Spirit
Rosebud, Church of Jesus	Winner, Trinity
Soldier's Creek, Grace	

## CHURCHES and OFFICERS

### PARISHES:

Aberdeen (1) St. Mark's Church  
(Costas)  
Senior Warden: Maryan Salmi  
Junior Warden: Mark Marion  
Treasurer: Paula Carlson  
Clerk: Alice LaFontaine

Belle Fourche (2) St. James' Church  
(Weaver/Williams/Weaver/Ministry Team)  
Senior Warden: Fay Ann Hersey  
Junior Warden: Clark Gusso  
Treasurer: Pat Deering  
Clerk: Barbara Dailey

Brookings (3) St. Paul's Church  
(Hall/Petersen)  
Senior Warden: Patty Kratochvil  
Junior Warden: Mary Lou Berry  
Treasurer: Bob Klein  
Clerk: Kay Clever

Deadwood (4) St. John the Baptist Church  
(Campbell,T./Regan)  
Senior Warden: John Kruse  
Junior Warden: Don Derosier  
Treasurer: Barbara Allen  
Clerk: Bonnie Walker

Huron (5) Grace Church  
(Parmeter)  
Senior Warden: Mike Gogolin  
Junior Warden: Doug BJORKE  
Treasurer: Marie Wheeler  
Clerk: Robert Hunter

Lead (6) Christ Church  
(Raschke)  
Senior Warden: Robert Thrall  
Junior Warden: Warren Newton  
Treasurer: Dee Thrall  
Clerk: Peggy Wiese

Mitchell (7) St. Mary's Church  
(Muller)  
Senior Warden: Dennis Stokes  
Junior Warden: Charles Bailey  
Treasurer: Linda Stokes  
Clerk: Amy Moe

Mobridge (8) St. James' Church  
(Schwarz)  
Senior Warden: Jo Hall  
Junior Warden: Patty Goodale  
Treasurer: Billie Lewellen  
Clerk: Patty Dunwoody

Pierre (9) Trinity Church  
(Tarrant/Flagstad/Schmidt/Walker)  
Senior Warden: Gary Snow  
Junior Warden: Scott Hipple  
Treasurer: Ann Holzhauser  
Clerk: Chris Reuer

Rapid City (10) Emmanuel Church  
(Ressler/Hedin)  
Senior Warden: Les Koss  
Junior Warden: Bob Ermish  
Treasurer: Kathryn Peterson  
Clerk: JoAnn Edstrom

Rapid City (11) St. Andrew's Church  
(Lutes/Bird/Garwood)  
Senior Warden:  
Junior Warden: Fred Davis  
Treasurer: Joan Sutton  
Clerk: Shelli Vallis

Sioux Falls (12) Calvary Cathedral  
(Wagner/Pearsall/Pitt-Hart/ Graves/King)  
Senior Warden: Loyd Wagner  
Junior Warden: Joe Tischler  
Treasurer: Tom Mark  
Clerk: Holly Huisken

Sioux Falls (13) Church of the Good Shepherd  
(Fountain)  
Senior Warden: John Daucsavage  
Junior Warden: Jerry Kisecker  
Treasurer: Bill Lenker  
Clerk: Pam Friedel

Spearfish (14) Church of All Angels  
(Hill)  
Senior Warden: Darlene Thompson  
Junior Warden: Bob Mayer  
Treasurer: Michael Manning  
Clerk: Liz Manning

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Sturgis (15) St. Thomas' Church  
(Wedgwood-Greenhow)  
Senior Warden: Al King  
Junior Warden: Tom Maples  
Treasurer: Amanda King  
Clerk: Paula Whetzel

Fort Pierre (23) St. Peter's Church  
(Two Hawk)  
Senior Warden: Helen Harryman  
Junior Warden: Jim Carlisle  
Treasurer: Connie Carlisle  
Clerk: David Carlisle

Watertown (16) Trinity Church  
Senior Warden: Donna Fuller  
Junior Warden: Taylor Longworth  
Treasurer: Liz/Dunn  
Margie Smith  
Clerk: David Eggen

Gettysburg (24) Christ Church  
Senior Warden: Keith Eidam  
Junior Warden: Fred Soule  
Treasurer: Jule Eidam  
Clerk: Peggy Eidam

Winner (17) Trinity Church  
2008 (Martin)  
Senior Warden: Michael Novak  
Junior Warden: Joe Rigney  
Treasurer: Marion Bloom  
Clerk: Betty Weld

Gregory (25) Church of the Incarnation  
2008 (Martin)  
Senior Warden: Francie Johnson  
Junior Warden: Doug Pochop  
Treasurer: Mary Graesser  
Clerk: Gerrie Soper

Yankton (18) Christ Church  
(Pearson)  
Senior Warden: Wally Boyles  
Junior Warden: John Keyes  
Treasurer: Dick Unruh  
Clerk: Dawne Unruh

Hot Springs (26) St. Luke's Church  
(Vershure/Valandra/Ministry Team)  
Senior Warden: Jim Snow  
David Melmer  
Junior Warden: Rick Mossman  
Treasurer: Julie Mossman  
Clerk: Sarah Coulter Danner

**MISSIONS:**

Bonesteel (19) St. Andrew's Church  
(Jennings)  
Senior Warden: Marjorie LaFave  
Junior Warden: Larry Ticknor  
Treasurer: Janet Ticknor  
Clerk: David Camin

Lake Andes (27) St. Peter's Church  
(Jennings)  
Fourth & Church Street  
Lake Andes, SD 57356  
Senior Warden: Vesta Habben  
Junior Warden: Maxine Rouse  
Treasurer: Mona Fischer

Chamberlain (20) Christ Church  
(Powers)  
Senior Warden: Nyal Brings  
Junior Warden: Anne Whipple  
Treasurer: Ron Zingler  
Clerk: Sondra Zingler

Madison (29) Grace Church  
(Lang)  
Senior Warden: Katherine Kringen  
Junior Warden: Michele Keppen  
Treasurer: Katherine Kringen  
Clerk: Jan Bauman

DeSmet (21) St. Stephen's Church  
2008 (Parmeter)  
Senior Warden: Ken Tjaden  
Junior Warden: Dennis Chance  
Treas/Clerk: Sharon Tjaden

Martin (30) St. Katharine's Church  
(West)  
Senior Warden: Janet Speidel  
Junior Warden: Steve Livermont  
Treasurer: Marva Hicks  
Clerk: Ronda Bement

Flandreau (22) Church of St. Mary & Our  
2006 Blessed Redeemer  
Prairie & 2nd  
Flandreau, SD 57028  
Warden: Margo Zephier  
Treasurer: Stuart Zephier  
Clerk: Jan Zephier

Milbank (31) Christ Church  
Senior Warden: Pat Brotzel  
Junior Warden: James Voeltz  
Treasurer: Clifford Dexter  
Clerk: Ernestine Parks

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Rapid City (32) St. Matthew's Church  
(Sneve/Donovan)  
Senior Warden: Gregg Trask  
Junior Warden: Bryon Wilcox  
Treasurer: Lori Shroyer  
Clerk: Whitney Runs Against

Sioux Falls (33) Church of the Holy Apostles  
(Barnes/Mayen/Mayom)  
Senior Warden: Kenneth Salisbury  
Junior Warden: Joseph Dose  
Treasurer/Clerk: Laurel Dose

Sisseton (34) Gethsemane Church  
2004 (Chan)  
Senior Warden: Bazil Murry  
Junior Warden: Lynette DuMarce  
Treasurer/Clerk: Wilma Robertson

Vermillion (35) St. Paul's Church  
(Hussey/Hobbs/Lyman/Collier)  
Senior Warden: Stanley May  
Junior Warden: Karen Lipp  
Treasurer: Gary Girard  
Clerk: Susan Evans

Webster (36) St. Mary's Church  
Senior Warden: Monte Rougemont  
Junior Warden: Jim Kurkowski/  
Dominic Dolney  
Treasurer: Cheryl Premus  
Clerk: Fran Rougemont

**CHEYENNE RIVER MISSION:**

Eagle Butte (38) St. John the Evangelist  
(Rectenwald)  
Senior Warden: Shirley Dog Eagle  
Junior Warden: Carol Traversie  
Treasurer: Doris White

Blackfoot (39) Church of the Ascension  
(Moreau) (Rectenwald)  
Senior Warden: Joe LeBeau, Jr.  
Junior Warden: R.J. LeBeau  
Clerk/Treasurer: Louella Marshall

White Horse (40) Emmanuel Church  
(Rectenwald)  
Senior Warden: Virginia Traversie  
Junior Warden: Ann Thompson  
Treasurer/Clerk: Virginia Traversie

Cherry Creek (41) St. Andrew's Church  
(Rectenwald)

Bear Creek (42) St. James' Church  
(Lantry) (Rectenwald)

Iron Lightning (43) St. Luke's Church  
2008 (Rectenwald)  
Senior Warden: Doug Dupris  
Junior Warden: Dana Dupris  
Treasurer: Barb Dupris

Promise (44) St. Mary's Church  
(Rectenwald)  
Senior Warden: Dion Hall  
Junior Warden: Patsy Marshall  
Grant Hall  
Treasurer/Clerk: Judy Hall

Thunder Butte (45) St. Peter's Church  
(Rectenwald)  
Warden: Denelle High Elk  
Treasurer: Faye High Elk

Dupree (46) St. Phillip's Church  
(Rectenwald)  
Senior Warden: Duane Mandan  
Junior Warden: Virginia White Feather  
Treasurer/Clerk: Marion Rectenwald

Red Scaffold (47) St. Stephen's Station  
(Rectenwald)

On The Tree (48) St. Thomas' Station  
(Rectenwald)  
Senior Warden: Pierre Traversie  
Junior Warden: Carla Blue Coat  
Treasurer/Clerk: Iva Traversie

**CROW CREEK MISSION:**

Ft Thompson (49) Christ Church  
(Powers)  
Senior Warden: Terry Quilt  
Junior Warden: Armond Olson  
Treasurer: Armond Olson  
Clerk: Darla Fallis

Crow Creek (50) St. John the Baptist Church  
(Powers)  
Senior Warden: Marlys Miller  
Junior Warden: Janet Pease  
Treasurer: Susie pease  
Clerk: Shelley McMahan

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**LOWER BRULE MISSION:**

Lower Brule (51) Holy Comforter/Messiah  
(Powers)  
Senior Warden: Kim Fonder  
Shirley Crane  
Junior Warden: John Estes  
Perry Estes  
Treasurer: Sharon Bingen  
Clerk: Roxie Estes

**PINE RIDGE MISSION:**

Pine Ridge (53) Church of the Holy Cross  
2006 (Tyon)  
Senior Warden: Tom Conroy  
Junior Warden: Bud Waters  
Clerk/Treasurer: Lindy Trueblood

Calico (54) Church of the Advent (2004)  
2004 (Tyon)  
Senior Warden: Stanley Little Hawk  
Junior Warden: Carol Lakota  
Clerk: Kim Carpio  
Treasurer: Angela American Horse

Red Shirt Table (55) Christ Church  
2004 Senior Warden: Twilla Two Bulls  
Junior Warden: Frank Two Bulls  
Treasurer: Molina Schweigman

Porcupine (62) St. Julia's Church  
2006 (West)  
Warden: Isaac White Face

Batesland (64) St. Michael's Church  
(Red Owl)  
Senior Warden: Wilma Standing Bear  
Junior Warden: Don LeBeau  
Treasurer/Clerk: Connie LeBeau

Wanblee (67) Gethsemane Church  
(Mesteth)  
Senior Warden: Jason Wilcox  
Junior Warden: Floyd Wilcox  
Treasurer: Sylvia Brown  
Clerk: Geraldine Wilson

Kyle (69) Church of the Mediator  
(Red Owl)  
Senior Warden: Vincent Fire Thunder  
Junior Warden: Wilbur Witt  
Treasurer/Clerk: Lavina Red Owl

**ROSEBUD MISSION:**

Rosebud (74) Church of Jesus  
(Spruhan/Spruhan)  
Senior Warden: Pat LeBeau  
Junior Warden: Barbara Allen  
Treasurer: Karen Eagle  
Clerk: Judy Compton

Mission (75) Trinity Church  
(Spruhan/Spruhan)  
Senior Warden: Ervin Figert  
Junior Warden: Marilyn Folkers  
Clerk/Treasurer: Margaret Figert

Okreek (76) Calvary Church  
(Spruhan/Spruhan)  
Senior Warden: Pete Haukaas  
Junior Warden: Dennis Roubideaux  
Treasurer: Alverna Wright  
Clerk: Isabelle Wright

White River (77) St. Phillip & St. James Station  
2008 (Two Hawk)  
Senior Warden: Paul Haukaas  
Treasurer: Phyllis Cadue  
Clerk: Wilma Janis

Soldier's Creek (78) Grace Church Station  
(Spruhan/Spruhan)  
Senior Warden: Faith Roubideaux  
Junior Warden: Phyllis Provencial  
Treasurer: Mission Council

Parmelee (79) Church of the Holy Innocents  
2008 (Spruhan/Spruhan)  
Senior Warden: Steve Olson  
Junior Warden: Paula Leader Charge  
Treasurer: Olive Pretty Bird  
Clerk: Shirley Big Eagle

Norris (80) St. Paul's Church  
(Spruhan/Spruhan)  
Senior Warden: Hazel Wilcox  
Junior Warden: Darlene Allard  
Treasurer: Emmaline Eagle Bear  
Clerk: Darlene Allard

Corn Creek (81) St. Thomas' Church  
(Spruhan/Spruhan)  
Senior Warden: Richard Standing Bear  
Junior Warden: Clayton Standing Bear  
Treasurer: Mission Council  
Clerk: Rena Chasing Horse

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Ideal (82) Church of the Holy Spirit  
Senior Warden: Charles Long Crow  
Junior Warden: Shirley Thunder  
Treasurer/Clerk: Blossom Cook

**SANTEE MISSION:**

Howe Creek (NE) (83) Blessed Redeemer  
(Hussey)  
Officer: John Chapman

Santee (NE) (84) Our Most Merciful Savior  
(Hussey)  
Wardens: Tom & Cindy Bartak

**SISSETON MISSION:**

Brown's Valley (MN) (85) St. John's Church  
2006 (Chan)  
Senior Warden: Katie McKay  
Junior Warden: Jaime White Thunder  
Treasurer: Vastana James  
Clerk: Donna James

Enemy Swim Lake (87) St. James' Church  
2004 (Chan)  
Senior Warden: Raymond Rouillard  
Junior Warden: Roger Campbell  
Treasurer: Valarie Rondell Augustson  
Clerk: Sonia Rouillard

Old Agency (88) St. Mary's Church  
2006 (Chan)  
Senior Warden: Norbit Bellonger  
Junior Warden: Clifford LaFontaine  
Treasurer: Louella Cloud  
Clerk: Bonita Bellonger

**STANDING ROCK MISSION:**

Little Oak Creek (89) Good Shepherd  
2007 (Schwarz)  
Senior Warden: Henry Takes the Gun  
Junior Warden: Terrance Red Legs  
Treasurer/Clerk: James Porras

Wakpala (91) St. Elizabeth's Church  
2008 (Schwarz)  
Warden: Wayne Jones  
Treasurer: Gladys Hawk  
Clerk: Margie Hawk

Bullhead (92) Church of St. John the Baptist  
(Schwarz)

Little Eagle (93) St. Paul's Church  
2004 (Schwarz)  
Senior Warden: Anthony Bobtail Bear  
Junior Warden: Yukon Henry  
Treasurer: Gale Henry  
Clerk: Manuelita Henry

McLaughlin (94) St. Peter's Church  
2004 (Schwarz)  
Senior Warden: Melvin Shoots The Enemy  
Junior Warden: Toby Skinner  
Treasurer/Clerk: Beatrice Skinner

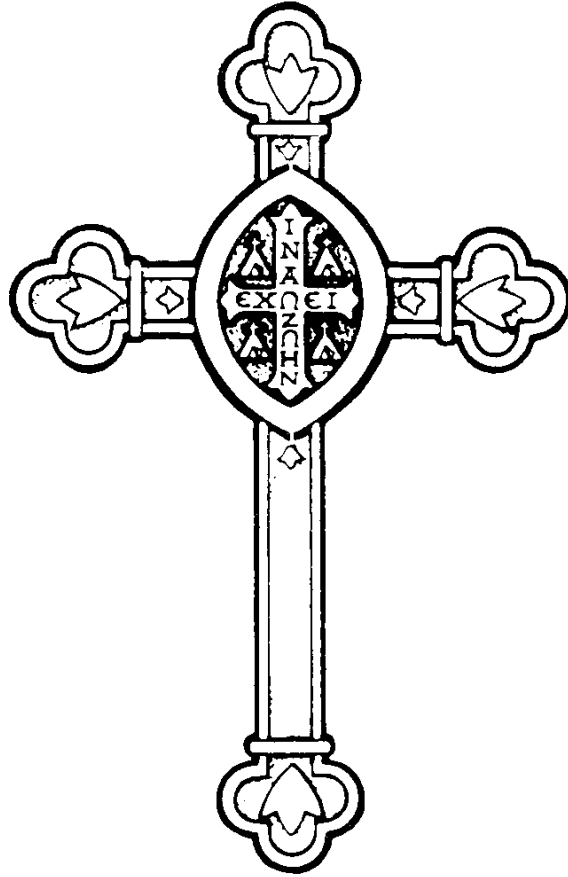
Firesteel (95) Church of the Holy Spirit  
(Schwarz)  
Senior Warden: Bill Mutchler  
Junior Warden: Leon Brown Otter  
Treasurer: John Red Bear  
Clerk: Salina High Elk

**YANKTON MISSION:**

Lake Andes (97) Church of St. Philip the Deacon  
2008 (Jennings)  
Senior Warden: Maruice Drapeau  
Junior Warden: Judy Lee  
Treasurer/Clerk: Maxine Rouse

Wagner (98) Woniya Wakan (Holy Spirit)  
(Jennings)  
Senior Warden: Pat White Horse-Carda  
Junior Warden: Joshua Selwyn  
Treasurer: Janet Johnson  
Clerk: Deanna Stands

Herrick (99) All Saints Church  
(Jennings)  
Senior Warden: Charles Bullbear  
Junior Warden: Mike Cole  
Treasurer/Clerk: Twila Emme



## THE CONVENTION

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**CLERGY ROLL**  
Canonically and Physically Resident in South Dakota  
2009 Diocesan Convention

BISHOP		Born	Deacon	Priest
Creighton L. Robertson, Sioux Falls	Cons. 1994	1944	1989	1990
<b>PRIESTS AND DEACONS</b>				
Webster Two Hawk, Ft. Pierre	Ord. 1957	1930	1957	1958
Robert T. Wagner, Keystone	Ord. 1957	1932	1957	1958
George Medicine Eagle, Eagle Butte	Ord. 1980	1948	1980	--
Benjamin Tyon, Pine Ridge, Ret 2004	Ord. 1980	1934	1980	1984
Warren Shoberg, Sioux Falls, Ret 2007	Ord. 1981	1941	1981	1982
Allen L. Lewis, Sioux Falls, Ret 2006	Ord. 1983	1941	1983	1984
Mary B. Husby, Sioux Falls, 1998	Ord. 1984	1927	1984	--
Charles Montileaux, Kyle	Ord. 1985	1960	1985	1987
David W. Schmidt, Pierre, Ret 2005	Rec'd 1986	1942	1971	1971
David A. Cameron, Rapid City, Ret 2006	Rec'd 1987	1947	1974	1975
Barry T. Pitt-Hart, Sioux Falls	Ord. 1987	1935	1987	--
Virginia L. Bird, Rapid City	Ord. 1987	1950	1987	--
James T. Pearson, Yankton	Ord. 1988	1954	1988	1989
Charles H. Walker, Pierre	Ord. 1988	1946	1988	--
David G. Potts, Rapid City	Ord. 1988	1946	1988	--
Leslie R. Campbell, Ret 2004	Rec'd 1989	1938	1975	1976
R. Julian "Bunker" Hill, Spearfish	Rec'd 1991	1945	1986	1987
Daniel Makes Good, Allen	Rec'd 1991	1937	1975	1980
Thomas Regan, Deadwood	Ord. 1991	1950	1991	--
Linda Kramer, Hill City	Rec'd 1992	1946	1988	1988
George Parmeter, Huron	Rec'd 1993	1946	1973	1974
Agnes Tyon, Pine Ridge Mission	Ord. 1993	1933	1993	1997
Conrad Ciesel, Lake City, Ret 2007	Rec'd 1994	1941	1977	1978
Mercy G. Hobbs, Vermillion	Ord. 1995	1959	1995	1996
James Voorhees, Spearfish	Ord. 1994	1934	1994	--
Judith M. Flagstad, Pierre	Ord. 1996	1950	1996	2004
John Spruhan, Rosebud Mission	Rec'd 1998	1950	1980	1980
Jeffry P. Barnes, Sioux Falls, Ret 2006	Rec'd 1998	1941	1976	1977
Thomas Campbell, Deadwood, Ret 2002	Rec'd. 1998	1939	1965	1965
Cordelia Red Owl, Pine Ridge Mission	Ord. 1998	1936	1998	2000
Lyle Noisy Hawk, Kyle, Ret 2002	Rec'd 1998	1942	1973	1974
Paul M. Sneve, Rapid City	Ord. 1998	1961	1998	1999
David Hussey, Vermillion/Santee Mission	Ord. 1998	1945	1998	2000
Judy Spruhan, Rosebud Mission	Rec'd 1998	1951	1989	2000
Vernon J. Raschke, Lead, Ret 2001	Rec'd 1999	1936	1979	1980
Philip Allen, Mission, Retired	Rec'd 2000	1935	1964	1964
Barbara "Bitsey" Ciesel, Lake City, Ret 2007	Ord 2000	1939	2000	--

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		Born	Deacon	Priest
Arlene E. Pearsall, Sioux Falls	Ord 2000	1943	2000	--
Claude E. Vershure, Hot Springs	Ord 2000	1946	2000	2005
Nancy Donovan, Silver City	Rec'd 2001	1935	1996	--
Marty Garwood, Rapid City	Ord 2002	1953	2002	--
Jo Hedin, Rapid City	Ord 2002	1938	2002	--
Rhoda Mesteth, Pine Ridge Mission	Ord 2002	1953	2002	2004
Judith R. Petersen, Brookings	Ord 2003	1935	2003	--
Timothy L. Fountain, Sioux Falls	Rec'd 2004	1958	1987	1988
Marion B. Rectenwald, Cheyenne River Mission	Rec'd 2005	1949	2002	2003
Kathleen Monson Lutes, Rapid City	Rec'd 2004	1957	2002	2003
Linda Valandra, Hot Springs	Ord 2005	1953	2005	--
Evelyn Weaver, Belle Fourche	Ord 2005	1945	2005	2006
Michael Weaver, Belle Fourche	Ord 2005	1942	2005	--
Sandra Williams, Belle Fourche	Ord 2005	1956	2005	2006
John Tarrant, Pierre	Rec'd 2005	1952	1983	1984
Caitlin Collier, Vermillion	Ord 2005	1956	2005	--
John Mabior Mayen, Sioux Falls	Ord 2005	1974	2005	--
Abraham Mabioir Mayom, Sioux Falls	Ord 2005	1977	2005	2006
Elizabeth Bryan, Rapid City	Rec'd 2006	1945		1991
William "Liam" Muller, Mitchell	Ord 2006	1961	2006	2006
Judy L. Hollingsworth Graves, Sioux Falls	Ord 2006	1949	2006	--
Charles M. King, Sioux Falls	Ord 2006	1943	2006	2008
M. Kay Jennings, Yankton Mission	Ord 2007	1942	2007	2007
Beatrice Skinner, McLaughlin	Ord 2007	1937	2007	--
Susan Taylor Lyman, Vermillion	Ord 2007	1943	2007	--
Kathryn Costas, Aberdeen	Rec'd 2007	1952	2007	2007
Hazel Red Bird, Eagle Butte	Rec'd 2007	1925	2005	--
Craig West, Martin/Pine Ridge	Rec'd 2007	1950	1994	1995
Ellen D. Lang, Sioux Falls	Rec'd 2007	1939	1990	1991
Wayne McIntosh, Watertown	Rec'd 2008	1961	1991	1991
Robert C. Schwarz, Standing Rock Mission	Rec'd 2008	1952	1986	1986
Richard A. Ressler, Rapid City	Rec'd 2008	1952	1995	1996
Rita T. Powell, Youth Coordinator	Rec'd 2008	1978	2008	2009
Elizabeth A. Powers, Chamberlain/Mni Sose	Rec'd 2008	1950	2004	2004
Ryan A. Hall, Brookings	Rec'd 2009	1980	2007	2008
<b>CANONICALLY RESIDENT</b>				
Katharine Stebinger, Massachusetts	Ord 2005	1981	2005	2006
C.E.B. Harnsberger, Arizona, Retired 1992	Ord 1957	1932	1957	1957
Tom F. Newman, Oklahoma, Ret 2006	Rec'd 2004	1945	1977	1978

**2009 Convention LAY DELEGATES**

**St. Mark's, Aberdeen**

Richard Zephier  
Kathie Allstot  
Mark Marion

**St. James, Belle Fourche**

Bill Kunerth  
Willie Kunerth

**St. Paul's, Brookings**

Jay Vanduch  
Ginger Thomson  
April Brooks

**St. John's, Deadwood**

John Kruse  
Anne Oldenkamp

**Grace Church, Huron**

David Wheeler  
Robert Hunter  
Tara Jean Engel

**Christ Church, Lead**

Bob Thrall  
Dee Thrall

**St. Mary's, Mitchell**

Susan Kiepke  
Joyce Smetana  
Susan Vyas

**St. James, Mobridge**

Jo Hall

**Trinity, Pierre**

Beth Flagstad  
Marlys Fratzke  
Gary Snow

**Emmanuel, Rapid City**

Cora Koss  
JoAnn Edstrom  
Nyle Hedin  
Les Koss  
Mary Olson  
Paul Simpson  
Vicki Sweet

**St. Andrew's, Rapid City**

Harold Oberlander  
Joan Sutton  
Shelli Vallis  
Connie Lane  
Sandy Magnavito  
Laura Lewandowski

**Calvary Cathedral**

Julie Gehm  
Dennis Potter  
Mary Potter  
Don Reusch  
Ginny Slechta  
Tony Taylor  
David Trefz  
Loyd Wagner  
Donna Wagner

**Good Shepherd, Sioux Falls**

Bonnie Makinson  
Larry Weires  
John Daucsavage  
Marlene Weires

**All Angels, Spearfish**

Tyson White  
Judy Farrington  
Forrest Skretteberg  
Marinell Skretteberg

**St. Thomas, Sturgis**

J.C. Huckins  
Josie Huckins

**Trinity, Watertown**

Donna Fuller  
Taylor Longworth

**Trinity, Winner**

**Christ Church, Yankton**

Liz Aanning  
Dick Unruh  
John Keyes  
Dawne Unruh

**St. Andrew's Bonesteel**

David Camin

**Christ Church, Chamberlain**

Lynn Mayer

**St. Stephen's, DeSmet**

**St. Mary's & OBR, Flandreau**

Stuart Zephier

**St. Peter's, Ft. Pierre**

Marge Two Hawk

**Christ Church, Gettysburg**

Jule Eidam

**St. Luke's, Hot Springs**

Tony Gonsor  
Mary Gonsor

**St. Peter's, Lake Andes**

Vesta Habben

**Grace Church, Madison**

Jan Sanford

**St. Katharine's, Martin**

Carol Anderson

**Sherry Pelk**

**Christ Church, Milbank**

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**St. Matthew's, Rapid City**

Mel Prairie Chicken  
Conrad Shroyer  
Lori Shroyer

**Holy Apostles, Sioux Falls**

Barb Ebeling  
Caitilin Kane

**Gethsemane, Sisseton**

Ted Sampson

**St. Paul's, Vermillion**

Cathy Colwell  
Karen Lipp

**St. Mary's, Webster**

Jim Kurkowski

**St. John's, Eagle Butte**

Doris White  
Shirley Dog Eagle

**Ascension, Blackfoot**

Lou Marshall  
Theresa Ducheneaux

**Emmanuel, White Horse**

Virginia Traversie  
Darlene Traversie

**St. Andrew's, Cherry Creek**

**St. James, Bear Creek**

Terry Red Bear

**St. Luke's, Iron Lightning**

Barb Dupris

**St. Mary's, Promise**

Carrie Fast Horse

**St. Peter's, Thunder Butte**

Faye High Elk

**St. Philip's, Dupree**

Duane Mandan  
CeCe Baumeister

**St. Stephen's, Red Scaffold**

**St. Thomas, On The Tree**

Marge Clown

**Christ Church, Ft. Thompson**

Terry Quilt  
Audrey Jones

**St. John the Baptist, Crow Creek**

Ramona Taylor  
Norman Taylor

**Holy Comforter, Lower Brule**

Tamara Fonder  
Shirley Crane  
Sharon Bingen

**Holy Cross, Pine Ridge**

Tom Conroy  
Ann Conroy

**Christ Church, Red Shirt Table**

**St. Julia's, Porcupine**

**St. Michael's, Batesland**

Wilma Standing Bear

**Gethsemane, Wanblee**

Geraldine Wilson

**Mediator, Kyle**

Anne Montileaux

**Church of Jesus, Rosebud**

Dorothy LeBeau  
Donna Douville

**Trinity, Mission**

Margaret Figert

**Calvary, Okreek**

Pete Haukaas

**St. Philip & St. James, White River**

**Grace Church, Soldier Creek**

EstherLynn Medicine Egale

**Holy Innocents, Parmelee**

Stephanie Night Pipe  
Edie Murray

**St. Paul's, Norris**

Sherman Wright

**St. Thomas, Corn Creek**

Christine Dunham

**Holy Spirit, Ideal**

Mike Plenty Horse

**Blessed Redeemer, Howe Creek**

Tammy Henry Sandoval

**Our Most Merciful Savior, Santee**

Walter Cutts

**St. John's, Browns Valley**

Katie McKay

Pauline James

**St. James, Enemy Swim**

Valorie Augustson  
Sonia Rouillard

**St. Mary's, Old Agency**

Michael LaFontaine  
Darrell Mirreau

**Good Shepherd, Little Oak Creek**

James Porras

**St. John's, Bullhead**

Rene Yellow Earrings

**St. Elizabeth's, Wakpala**

Gladys Hawk  
Margie Hawk

**St. Paul's, Little Eagle**

**St. Peter's, McLaughlin**

Toby Skinner

**Holy Spirit, Firesteel**

Bill Mutcher

**St. Philip's, Lake Andes**

Sharon Drapeaux

**Woniya Wakan, Wagner**

Lahoma Johnson  
Deanna Stands

**All Saints, Herrick**

Mae Holquin

**Official Acts of the Bishop  
2008-2009**

**Consents:**

Ordination and Consecration of Herman Hollerith IV to be Bishop of the diocese of Southern Virginia (10/20/08)

Resignation of The Rt. Rev. Keith L. Ackerman, Bishop of the diocese of Quincy (10/31/08)

Ordination and Consecration of J. Scott Mayer to be Bishop of the Diocese of Northwest Texas (1/20/09)

Ordination and Consecration of Kevin Lee Thew Forrester to be Bishop of the Diocese of Northern Michigan (3/30/09)

Resignation of The rt. Rev. Peter J. Lee, Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia (5/20/09)

Resignation of The Rt. Rev. Dorsey L. Henderson, Bishop of the Diocese of Upper South Carolina (5/20/09)

Resignation of The Rt. Rev. Charles E. Jenkins, Bishop of the diocese of Louisiana (5/20/09)

**Confirmed/Received:** 74 persons (reported to Diocesan Office)

**Ordained to the Diaconate:** None

**Ordained to the Priesthood:**

Rita T. Powell (01/07/2009) for the Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut

**Transferred Out:** None

**Transferred In:**

The Rev. Ryan A. Hall (from Diocese of Nebraska)

The Rev. Rita T. Powell (from Diocese of Connecticut)

**Received:** None

**Approval of Re-marriage After Divorce:** 11

**Licensed 246 Lay Ministers**

**Other Reports:**

**Clergy Retirements:** None

**Clergy Deaths:**

The Rev. Robert F. Weld (10/24/08)

The Rev. Leland D. Brown (1/2/09)

Deacon Dora Bruguier (6/24/09)

**MINUTES**  
**2009 Special Election Convention**  
**Election of a Bishop Coadjutor**  
**May 9, 2009**

**Holy Eucharist, Part I**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Steve Sanford, delegated to preside, call the meeting to order. He reviewed the election rules, ringing of the bell to notify the ballot results will be announced, adopting a formal resolution after the final count, Delegates sign a Canonical Testimonial form and conclude the services.

**Overview of the "Proposed Rules of Order for A Convention Electing A Bishop:** was reviewed and the changes. Motion to adopt the revised Proposed Rules Of Order For A Convention Electing A Bishop was made by The Rev. Tom Campbell, seconded by The Rev. Tim Fountain, All in favor, no nay, motion carried.

**Credentials Committee Report:** Deacon Marty Garwood announced of the 154 Lay delegates 138 was present, of the 78 Clergy, 55 were present thereby a quorum is present.

**First vote:** Ballots were distributed; visitors were requested to leave the room and a prayer by The Rev. George Parameter. At 9:41 AM first ballot count started. Jean Lacher spoke about the Walk About, questions for the Bishop elect, and the total number of people who attend the Walk About. 10:11 AM Steve Sanford rang the bell. At 10:18 AM Steve announced of the total votes cast; Clergy 50 of 55 and Lay 136 of 138 & 1 spoiled ballot

The Rev Peter Stebinger will not be on the second ballot as per his request. Standing Committee members were informed by him.

Votes needed for the 2/3 vote: Clergy 37 of 55 and 92 of 138

**Credentials Committee Report:** Deacon Marty Garwood announced of the 154 Lay delegates 139 was present, of the 78 Clergy, 56 were present thereby a quorum is present.

**Second vote:** Ballots were distributed; visitors were requested to leave the room and a prayer by The Rev. Liam Muller. At 10:29 AM second ballot count started. 10:52 AM Steve rang the bell and announced of the total votes cast; Clergy 53 of 55 and Lay 139 of 139 voted. Number needed to elect is 36 Clergy and 93 Lay.

**The Rev John Tarrant 44 Clergy, 101 Lay votes**

The Rev John Floberg 3 Clergy, 14 Lay

The Rev Doug Dunn 6 Clergy, 23 Lay

**#1 Adopt a Resolution; Request for Bishop to Exercise Jurisdiction**

Motion to adopt Resolution to Request for Bishop to Exercise Jurisdiction was made by The Rev Tom Campbell, seconded by The Rev Allen Lewis All in favor, no nay, motion carried.

**#2 Delegates sign Canonical Testimonial;** every person who voted in seconded ballot needs to sign in order to be an official document. Canonical Testimonial was read. The Rev John Floberg sent an e-mail which was read congratulating The Rev John Tarrant. The Rev Bunker Hill said a prayer. One Lay delegate withdrew name for the second vote 138 instead of 139.

**Holy Eucharist, Part II**

**Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted by,

Karen White Horse,

124<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Convention Secretary

**MINUTES**  
**125th Annual Convention (2009)**  
**The Diocese of South Dakota**  
**Cedar Shore, Oacoma, South Dakota**  
**October 2-4, 2009**  
**“PARTNERS WITH A GENEROUS GOD”**

**Saturday, October 3, 2009**  
**Plenary Session I**

The 125<sup>th</sup> Annual convention of the Diocese of South Dakota was called to order by the Chancellor, Steve Sanford, at 9:00 am on Saturday, October 3, 2009.

Bishop-elect Tarrant made introductions and opening announcements.

Since the last convention:

Ordained: Rita Powell as priest for the Bishop of Connecticut

Transferred in: The Rev. Ryan Hall from the Diocese of Nebraska

The Rev. Rita Powell from the Diocese of Connecticut

The Rev. Ward Simpson from the Diocese of Eau Claire

Licensed to serve in the diocese: The Rev. Stan Woolley

Clergy deaths: The Rev. Robert Weld, The Rev. Leland Brown,  
Deacon Dora Bruguier

Deacon Marty Garwood, Chair of the Credentials Committee, reported attendance of 101 out of 154 lay delegates and 42 out of 68 clergy delegates, thereby making a quorum.

**Minutes:** Call for corrections/additions to the 2008 Diocesan Convention Minutes (contained in the July/August *ChurchNews*). The motion to approve as submitted was seconded and passed.

**Reports:** Motion to accept the reports to convention as printed in the *ChurchNews* was seconded and passed.

The 2010 Program Budget for the Diocese was presented. The motion to approve was seconded and passed.

General Convention Deputies reported on activities and results of the 2009 General Convention held in Anaheim, CA. Of special interest to this diocese was (1) the approval of the Rev. John Tarrant to be our Bishop and (2) the approval of the block grant for our diocesan mission and ministry.

**Partners With God**

The Rev. Bunker Hill introduced the bishop-elect who then re-presented the Partners with God initiative passed by convention in 2007, calling it a New Partnership with a Generous God because we are renewing our partnership with a serious intent of implementing it. Both the Vision and Mission of our Partners with God initiative focus on the most important thing that we can do together as a Diocese, and that is “ministry.”

The deadline for nominations and resolutions submissions occurred at 11:00 am.

Following Noonday prayers, convention recessed for lunch.

**Plenary Session II**

Deacon Marty Garwood, Chair of the Credentials Committee, reported attendance of 113 out of 154 lay delegates and 43 out of 68 clergy delegates, thereby making a quorum.

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**Elections:** Pat LeBeau introduced the slate of nominations.

Standing Committee:

1 Lay Person, 4 year term: Dennis Potter, Marlene Weires, Don Metcalf.

1 Priest, 4 year term: Marion Rectenwald, Kathy Monson Lutes, Sandy Williams

1 Priest, 3 year term: George Parmeter ... **Rule of Order**

Convention Representative to Diocesan Council:

1 Person, 4 year term: Liz Powers ... **Rule of Order**

Trial Court:

3 Priests, 1,3,5 year terms: Ryan Hall, Mercy Hobbs ... **Rule of Order**

2 Lay, 2, 4 year terms: David Wheeler ... **Rule of Order**

Province VI Deputies:

1 Clergy, 3 year term: None

2 Lay, 2 & 3 year terms: None

*\*Rule of Order: If only one nomination has been received for one office, then announce for each office, "Mr. President, pursuant to **Rule of Order 7.3** of this Convention, there being only one nominee for the office of \_\_\_\_\_, the Secretary shall cast a unanimous ballot for \_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_."*

**Call for First Ballot:** Standing Committee; 1 Priest, 1 Lay

Report of Tabulation of Ballots

Standing Committee: 1 Priest, 4 year term – The Rev. Sandy Williams

1 Lay, 4 year term – Don Metcalf

At 4:00 pm the Convention recessed for Workshops.

- Stewardship 101
- Living Wisely
- Annual Stewardship Programs
- Stewardship in a Native American Context
- Establishing a Parish Endowment

**Sunday, October 4, 2009**

**Plenary Session III**

At 8:45 am the Convention resumed with unfinished business, reports, and announcements before breaking for the second session of workshops and the Closing Eucharist.

**Report of Place of Next Convention:** September 30 – October 3, 2010 at Cedar Shore in Oacoma, SD. The Central and Northwest Deaneries will host.

**Adjourn:** Sine die

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Armin

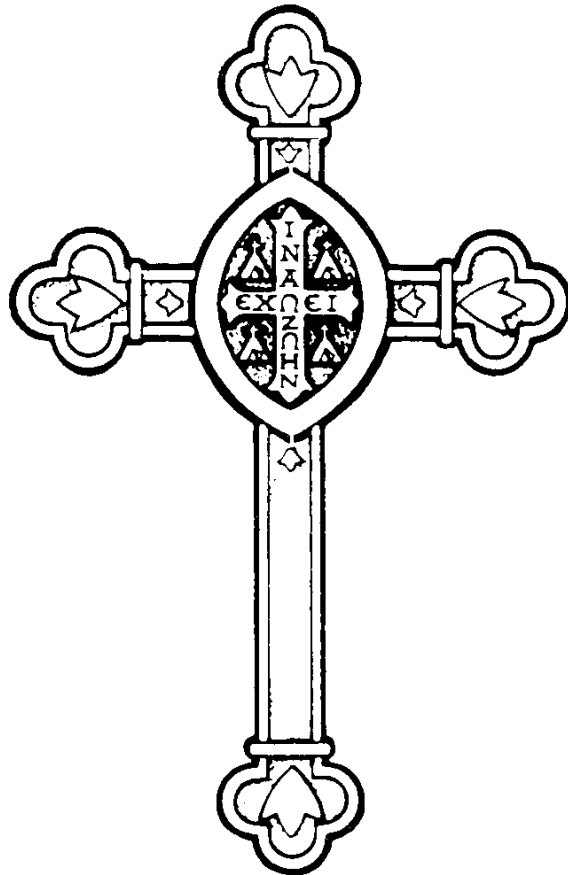
For the Convention Secretary

**Annual & Special Convocations of the  
Missionary District of South Dakota**

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. 1884 Sioux Falls       | 30. 1914 Lead            | 60. 1944 Yankton          |
| 2. 1885 Sioux Falls       | 31. 1915 Watertown       | 61. 1945 Mitchell         |
| 1886 Unknown              | 32. 1916 Sioux Falls     | 62. 1946 Sioux Falls      |
| 3. 1887 Sioux Falls       | 33. 1917 Aberdeen        | 63. 1947 Aberdeen         |
| 4. 1888 Sioux Falls       | 34. 1918 Sioux Falls     | 64. 1948 Lead             |
| 5. 1889 Sioux Falls       | 35. 1919 Huron           | 65. 1949 Huron            |
| 6. 1890 Mitchell          | 36. 1920 Watertown       | 66. 1950 Mitchell         |
| 7. 1891 Sioux Falls.      | 37. 1921 Lead & Deadwood | 67. 1951 Yankton          |
| 8. 1892 Aberdeen          | 38. 1922 Mitchell        | 66. 1952 Deadwood         |
| 9. 1893 Yankton           | 39. 1923 Yankton         | 69. 1953 Watertown        |
| 10. 1894 Huron            | 40. 1924 Aberdeen        | 70. 1954 Rapid City       |
| 11. 1895 Sioux Falls      | 41. 1925 Pierre          | 71. 1955 Aberdeen         |
| 12. 1896 Madison          | 42. 1926 Huron           | 72. 1956 Brookings        |
| 13. 1897 Sioux Falls      | 43. 1927 Rapid City      | 73. 1957 Rapid City       |
| 14. 1898 Aberdeen         | 44. 1928 Sioux Falls     | 74. 1958 Sioux Falls      |
| 15. 1899 Yankton          | 45. 1929 Sioux Falls     | 75. 1959 Lead & Deadwood  |
| 16. 1900 Aberdeen         | 46. 1930 Watertown       | 76. 1960 Mitchell         |
| 17. 1901 Sioux Falls      | 47. 1931 Aberdeen        | 77. 1961 Yankton          |
| 18. 1902 Howard & Madison | 48. 1932 Deadwood & Lead | 78. 1962 Rapid City       |
| 19. 1903 Sioux Falls      | 49. 1933 Mitchell        | 77. 1963 Aberdeen         |
| 20. 1904 Sioux Falls      | 50. 1934 Pierre          | 80. 1964 Sioux Falls      |
| 21. 1905 Sioux Falls      | 51. 1935 Yankton         | 81. 1965 Lead & Deadwood  |
| 22. 1906 Sioux Falls      | 52. 1936 Rapid City      | 82. 1966 Brookings        |
| 23. 1907 Yankton          | 53. 1937 Huron           | 83. 1967 Martin           |
| 24. 1908 Sioux Falls      | 54. 1938 Watertown       | 84. 1968 Huron            |
| 25. 1909 Sioux Falls      | 55. 1939 Mitchell        | 1968 Special, Sioux Falls |
| 26. 1910 Mitchell         | 56. 1940 Aberdeen        | 85. 1969 Belle Fourche    |
| 27. 1911 Huron            | 57. 1941 Sioux Falls     | 1970 Special, Pierre      |
| 28. 1912 Sioux Falls      | 58. 1942 Huron           | 86. 1970 Sioux Falls      |
| 29. 1913 Mitchell         | 59. 1943 Pierre          |                           |

**Annual & Special Conventions  
of the Diocese of South Dakota**

87. 1971 Primary Convention, Pierre
88. 1972 Second Convention, Sioux Falls
89. 1973 Third Convention, Springfield
90. 1974 Fourth Convention, Mitchell
91. 1975 Fifth Convention, Rapid City
92. 1976 Sixth Convention, Watertown
93. 1977 Seventh Convention, Pierre
94. 1978 Eighth Convention, Brookings
95. 1979 Ninth Convention, Vermillion
96. 1980 Tenth Convention, Sioux Falls
97. 1981 Eleventh Convention, Huron
98. 1982 Twelfth Convention, Rapid City
- 1983 Special Convention, Chamberlain
99. 1983 Thirteenth Convention, Aberdeen
- 1984 Special Convention, Huron
100. 1984 Fourteenth Convention, Mobridge
101. 1985 Fifteenth Convention, Aberdeen
102. 1986 Sixteenth Convention, Yankton
103. 1987 Seventeenth Convention, Rapid City
104. 1988 Eighteenth Convention, Mitchell
105. 1989 Nineteenth Convention, Mitchell
106. 1990 Twentieth Convention, Watertown
107. 1991 Twenty-first Convention, Rapid City
108. 1992 Twenty-second Convention, Aberdeen
109. 1993 Twenty-third Convention, Sioux Falls
- 1994 Special Convention, Ft. Pierre
110. 1994 Twenty-fourth Convention, Pierre
111. 1995 Twenty-fifth Convention, Rapid City
112. 1996 Twenty-sixth Convention, Yankton
113. 1997 Twenty-seventh Convention, Mitchell
114. 1998 Twenty-eighth Convention, Huron
115. 1999 Twenty-ninth Convention, Watertown
116. 2000 Thirtieth Convention, Spearfish
117. 2001 Thirty-first Convention, Brookings
118. 2002 Thirty-second Convention, Pierre
119. 2003 Thirty-third Convention, Pierre
120. 2004 Thirty-fourth Convention, Pierre
121. 2005 Thirty-fifth Convention, Pierre
122. 2006 Thirty-sixth Convention, Pierre
123. 2007 Thirty-seventh Convention, Oacoma
124. 2008 Thirty-eighth Convention, Oacoma
- 2009 Special Convention, Pierre
125. 2009 Thirty-ninth Convention, Oacoma



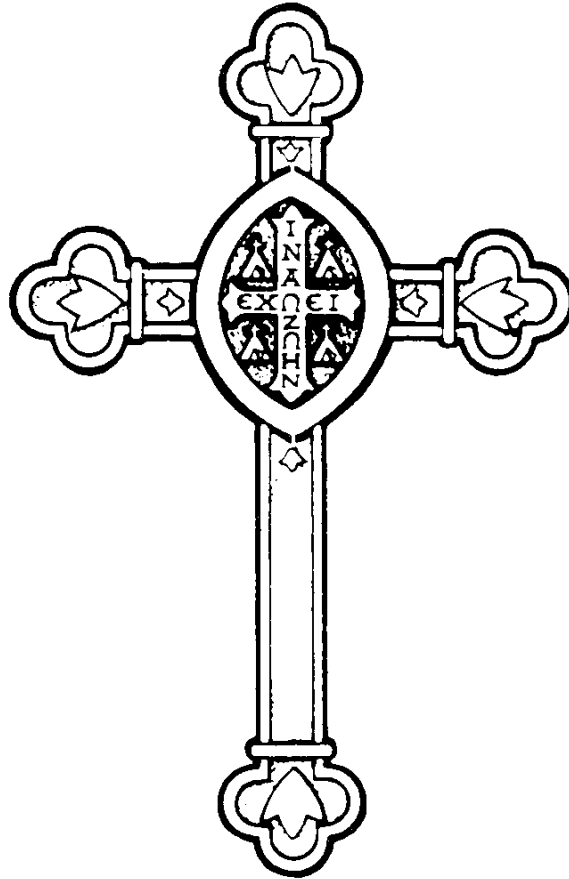
## THE NIobrARA CONVOCATION

## Niobrara Deanery Convocations

1. 1870 Santee Agency, NE
2. 1871 Santee Agency, NE
3. 1872 Santee Agency, NE
4. 1873 Santee Agency, NE
5. 1874 Yankton Agency, Dakota Territory
6. 1875 Yankton Agency, D.T.
7. 1877 Yankton Agency, D.T.
8. 1878 Yankton Agency, D.T.
9. 1879 Yankton Agency, D.T.
10. 1880 Yankton Agency, D.T.
11. 1881 Yankton Agency, D.T.
12. 1882 Yankton Agency, D.T.
13. 1883 Lower Brule Agency, D.T.
14. 1884 Yankton Agency, D.T.
15. 1885 Crow Creek Agency, D.T.
16. 1886 Yankton Agency, D.T.
17. 1887 Ft. Bennett, Cheyenne River Reserve, D.T.
18. 1888 Pine Ridge Agency, D.T.
19. 1889 Crow Creek Agency, D.T.
20. 1890 St. Elizabeth's Church, Standing Rock Reserve
21. 1891 Near St. Mary's School, Rosebud Reserve
22. 1892 Cheyenne Agency
23. 1893 Santee Agency, NE
24. 1894 Pine Ridge Agency
25. 1895 Lower Brule Agency
26. 1896 St. Elizabeth's Church, Standing Rock Reserve
27. 1897 Near St. Mary's School Rosebud Agency
28. 1898 Sisseton Agency
29. 1899 Yankton Agency
30. 1900 Ascension Chapel, Cheyenne River Reserve  
1901 No Convocation
31. 1902 Black Pipe Creek, Rosebud Reserve
32. 1903 St. John Baptist Chapel, Crow Creek Reserve
33. 1904 Bear Creek Cheyenne River Reserve
34. 1905 St. Philips, White Swan, Yankton Reserve
35. 1906 Santee Agency, NE
36. 1907 Trinity Chapel, Rosebud Reserve
37. 1908 St. Mary's Chapel, Pine Ridge Reserve
38. 1909 Messiah, Lower Brule
39. 1910 Yankton Agency
40. 1911 St. Elizabeth's Church
41. 1912 Christ Church, Ft. Thompson
42. 1913 St. Mary's Church, Sisseton Agency
43. 1914 Emmanuel Church, White Horse
44. 1915 Trinity Chapel, Rosebud
45. 1916 Holy Comforter, Lower Brule
46. 1917 Inestimable Gift Church, Allen
47. 1918 Holy Fellowship Church, Greenwood
48. 1919 St. Elizabeth's Church, Wakpala
49. 1920 Our Most Merciful Savior Church, Santee, NE
50. 1921 Calvary Church, Okreek
51. 1922 St. James Church, Waubay
52. 1923 Emmanuel Church, White Horse
53. 1924 Holy Cross Church, Pine Ridge
54. 1925 Holy Fellowship Church, Greenwood
55. 1926 Christ Church, Ft. Thompson
56. 1927 Holy Cross Church, Pine Ridge Agency
57. 1928 Good Shepherd Church, Glencross
58. 1929 Trinity Church, Mission
59. 1930 Holy Comforter Church, Lower Brule
60. 1931 St. Mary's Church, Sisseton
61. 1932 Ascension Church, Promise
62. 1933 1934 Inestimable Gift Church, Allen
63. Holy Fellowship Church, Greenwood
64. 1935 St. Elizabeth's Church, Wakpala
65. 1936 Holy Innocents Church, Parmelee
66. 1937 Our Most Merciful Savior, Santee, NE
67. 1938 Holy Cross Church, Pine Ridge Agency
68. 1939 St. John's Chapel, Pukwana, Crow Creek
69. 1940 St. John the Baptist, Sisseton Mission
70. 1941 Emmanuel Church, Cheyenne River Mission
71. 1942 Inestimable Gift Church, Allen, Pine Ridge Mission
72. 1943 St. James Church, Rosebud Mission
73. 1944 Holy Fellowship Church, Greenwood
74. 1946 Good Shepherd Chapel, Standing Rock Mission
75. 1947 Messiah Chapel, Pine Ridge Mission
76. 1948 Holy Comforter, Lower Brule
77. 1949 Holy Innocents Church, Parmelee
78. 1950 St. Barnabas, Kyle
79. 1951 St. Elizabeth's School, Wakpala
80. 1952 Our Most Merciful Savior Church, Santee, NE
81. 1953 Christ Church, Ft. Thompson
82. 1954 St. Peter's, Pine Ridge Mission
83. 1955 St. John's, Cheyenne River Mission
84. 1956 Calvary Church, Rosebud Mission
85. 1957 St. Mary's, Sisseton Mission
86. 1958 Holy Comforter, Lower Brule
87. 1959 St. Paul's, Little Eagle, Standing Rock Mission
88. 1960 Holy Fellowship, Greenwood, Yankton Mission
89. 1961 Messiah, Wounded Knee, Pine Ridge Mission

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90. 1962 St. John's, Browns Valley, Sisseton Mission
91. 1963 St. Mary's, Promise, Cheyenne River Mission
92. 1964 St. Peter's Crow Creek
93. 1965 Holy Innocents, Parmelee, Rosebud Mission
94. 1966 Our Most Merciful Savior Church, Santee Mission, NE
95. 1967 Inestimable Gift, Allen, Corn Creek District, PR Mission
96. 1968 St. James, Waubay, Sisseton Mission
97. 1969 Holy Comforter, Lower Brule Mission
98. 1970 Holy Cross Church, Pine Ridge Mission
99. 1971 Holy Innocents, Parmelee, Rosebud Mission
100. 1972 St. Thomas on the Tree, Cheyenne River Mission
101. 1973 St. John the Baptist, Sisseton Mission
102. 1974 St. Elizabeth's, Wakpala, Standing Rock Mission
103. 1975 Mediator, Kyle, Corn Creek District, Pine Ridge Mission
104. 1976 Our Most Merciful Savior, Santee, NE
105. 1977 Christ Church, Ft. Thompson
106. 1978 St. Luke's, Porcupine
107. 1979 St. Barnabas, Kyle
108. 1980 Holy Innocents, Parmelee
109. 1981 St. Mary's Old Agency, Sisseton Mission
110. 1982 St. James', Cheyenne River Mission
111. 1983 St. Julia's, Porcupine, Pine Ridge Mission
112. 1984 St. Julia's, Porcupine, Pine Ridge Mission
113. 1985 St. James', Enemy Swim, Sisseton Mission
114. 1986 Our Most Merciful Savior, Santee Mission, NE
115. 1987 Bishop Hare Home, Rosebud Mission
116. 1988 Gethsemane, Wanblee, Corn Creek District, PRidge Mission
117. 1989 St. Mary's Promise, Cheyenne River Mission
118. 1990 St. John's, Browns Valley, Sisseton Mission
119. 1991 Holy Spirit, Firesteel, Standing Rock Mission
120. 1992 St. Mary's, Peever, Sisseton Mission
121. 1993 Bishop Hare School, Mission, Rosebud Mission
122. 1994 Lake Andes PowWow Grounds, Yankton Mission
123. 1995 St. Andrew's Wakpamni Lake
124. 1996 St. Elizabeth's, Wakpala, Standing Rock Mission
125. 1997 St. Mary's, Old Agency, Sisseton Mission
126. 1998 Holy Comforter Church, Lower Brule, Lower Brule Mission
127. 1999 St. John the Evangelist, Eagle Butte, Cheyenne River Mission
128. 2000 Trinity Church, Mission, Rosebud Mission
129. 2001 Tiospaye Wakan, Sioux Falls, Flandreau
130. 2002 Pine Ridge Mission, St. Michael's, Batesland
131. 2003 Thunderhead Episcopal Center
132. 2004 Yankton Mission, Pickstown/Lake Andes
133. 2005 Standing Rock Mission, Mobridge
134. 2006 Sisseton Mission, St. James, Waubay
135. 2007 Crow Creek Mission, Christ Church, Ft. Thompson
136. 2008 Cheyenne River Mission, St. John's, Eagle Butte
137. 2009 Rosebud Mission, Bishop Hare Center
138. 2010 Sisseton Mission, St. Mary's, Old Agency



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES  
MEMBERSHIP & REPORTS**

## **The Diocese of South Dakota**

(A Corporation)

President—The Right Reverend Creighton L. Robertson  
Vice-President—Mr. Steven W. Sanford, Chancellor  
Treasurer—Mr. Chuck Bahnson  
Secretary—Mr. Randy Barnhardt

## **The Chapter of Calvary Cathedral**

(The holding corporation for the Diocese of South Dakota)

President—The Right Reverend Creighton L. Robertson  
Vice-President—Mr. Steven W. Sanford, Chancellor  
Secretary—Mr. Randy Barnhardt  
Treasurer—Mr. Chuck Bahnson

*The Chapter of Calvary Cathedral is the corporation for holding the funds and real estate of the jurisdiction.*

*The members of the Diocesan Council constitute the Board of Directors of the Chapter of Calvary Cathedral.*

## **Diocesan Council**

Chairman—The Right Reverend Creighton L. Robertson  
Vice-Chairman—Mr. Steven W. Sanford, Chancellor  
Treasurer—Mr. Chuck Bahnson

Members:

The Rev. David Hussey	2009
The Rev. Bunker Hill	2007
Patricia Tarrant	2010
Deacon Susan Lyman	2009
Pat LeBeau	2008
Vern Cloud	2010
Johnny Wilson	2008
Pete Haukaas	2009

## **Standing Committee**

The Rev. Webster Two Hawk	2009
The Rev. John Spruhan	2010
The Rev. Les Campbell	2011
The Rev. George Parmeter	2009
Anne Montileaux	2009
Jean Lacher	2010
Kim Fonder, Sr.	2011
Pat White Horse-Carda	2012

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS OF DIOCESAN COUNCIL**  
SINCE 2008 JOURNAL

**July 11, 2008**

**Sioux Falls, South Dakota**

Motions Approved/Actions Taken

1. To present a capital campaign proposal to the 2008 Diocesan Convention.
2. Approved the working 2009 budgets as presented.
3. Set 2008 convention fees at \$60.
4. Approved the sale of additional Rosebud Mission land to the Todd County School District.
5. Approved adoption of Policy 29 on Equipment Capitalization.

Reports Received

1. 2007 Reports of the Audit of the records of the Diocese, the SD Episcopal Foundation, and the Chapter of Calvary Cathedral
2. TEC Board reorganization update.
3. Deployment report of 3 vacancies/searches, one filled interim position, and evaluation of a NE/SD cluster ministry for Valentine and Winner.
4. Chancellor's report on a Pine Ridge suit, the TEC 501(c)3 status, and proposed lease of Rosebud Mission land.
5. Bishop Nominating Committee report to date

**October 3, 2008**

**Oacoma, South Dakota**

Motions Approved/Actions Taken

1. Approval of proposal for the demolition of the Flandreau church building downtown, the sale of the lot & building of the old church near the Flandreau Indian School, and seeking bids for new church construction at the demolished site.
2. Approved amendment to Policy 6 (Supply Clergy) regarding mileage reimbursement rates.

Reports Received

1. Treasurer addressed the state of the endowment in light of the economic crisis.

**December 5, 2008**

**Sioux Falls, South Dakota**

Motions Approved/Actions Taken

1. Appointed the Rev. George Parmeter to a one-year term on the Standing Committee to fill the vacancy following the resignation of one clergy member.
2. Lack of a quorum precluded much action.

Reports Received

1. TEC: the Articles of Incorporation for the 501(c)3 have been signed and filed. The Chancellor will work on by-laws. An appraisal and valuation of TEC property was received and reviewed.
2. The Partners With God initiative has progressed in the areas of the Capital Campaign, Youth & Young Adult ministry, Communication, and Deanery structure and involvement.
3. The new church in Flandreau is almost completed and will be consecrated by the Bishop on Christmas Eve.
4. Deployment report on two continued openings, one additional opening, and one position being filled.

**March 20, 2009**  
**Pierre, South Dakota**

Motions Approved/Actions Taken

1. To change diocesan health care coverage from DakotaCare to the Church Medical Trust plan through Blue Cross/Blue Shield, effective July 1.
2. To sell the vicarage at Incarnation, Gregory.
3. To approve the electrical re-wiring at St. Philip's, Lake Andes.
4. To begin the formal process to sell excess TEC property, subject to later Council approval of price, easements, covenants, etc.
5. Approved an adjusted 2009 budget lowering the deficit from about \$200,000 to about \$22,000.

Reports Received

1. Preliminary information relating to increasing access to virtual meetings for the Diocese.
2. Updated report on Partners With God initiatives and goals.
3. The Chancellor brought Council up to date on Pine Ridge suits and proposed lease of Rosebud and Pine Ridge land.
4. Youth Coordinator report of summer youth activities and events, including Youth Conference, Camp, and Niobrara Convocation.

**STANDING COMMITTEE**  
**2008-2009 Annual Report**

**August 9, 2008**

- 1 – Gave consent for the Rev. Brian James Thom to be Diocesan Bishop of the Diocese of Idaho.
- 2 – Gave consent for the Rev. Charles Andrew Doyle to be Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Texas.

**October 3-5, 2008 at Diocesan Convention**

1 – Gave permission for the Diocese to sell two lots in Flandreau, SD and proceed with the building of a new church in Flandreau, SD.

2 – Welcomed new members to the Standing Committee that were elected by Convention - Pat White Horse-Carda and Mo. Marion Rectenwald. Accepted the resignation of Mo. Marion Rectenwald on October 6, 2008.

3 - Officers elected for the coming year:

- President – Jean Lacher
- Vice President – Fr. John Spruhan
- Secretary – Pat White Horse-Carda

**December, 2009**

1 –The Bishop appointed Fr. George Parmeter for a one year term to replace Mo. Marion Rectenwald on the Standing Committee.

**February 6, 2009**

1 – Gave consent to the consecration of the Rev.Herman Hollerith IV to be Diocesan Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Virginia.

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2 – Gave consent to the election of two Suffragan Bishops for the Diocese of Los Angeles.

3 – Gave consent to the consecration of the Rev. James Scott Mayer as Diocesan Bishop of the Diocese of North West Texas.

**February 14, 2009**

1 – Gave consent for the Diocese of Long Island to elect a Bishop Coadjutor.

**March 27, 2009**

1 – Rejected consent for the Rev. Thew Forrester to be Bishop of Northern Michigan.

**June 26, 2009**

1 – Gave consent for the Diocese of Springfield to elect a Bishop Coadjutor.

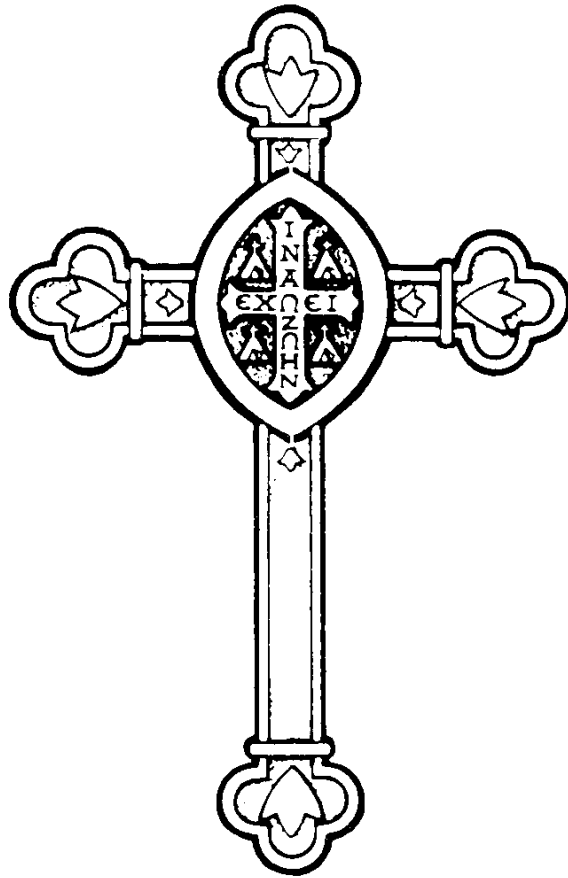
**July 7, 2009**

1 – At General Convention in Anaheim, CA, the South Dakota deputation (including members of the Standing Committee Jean Lacher, Fr. George Parmeter and Fr. John Spruhan) presented Fr. John Tarrant to the Committee for the Consent of Bishop Elections to be the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of South Dakota. He was approved by the committee, the House of Deputies and the House of Bishops where he was immediately seated with seat and voice for the remainder of General Convention.

Throughout the year the Standing Committee has worked with the Nominating Committee and the Transition Committee on the election process of our next Bishop.

Respectively submitted,

Jean Lacher, President  
Standing Committee



**COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES  
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**2009 General Convention Delegates**

**Lay Deputies**

Jean Lacher  
Dennis Potter  
Wilma Standing Bear  
Wade Brings

**Clergy Deputies**

Rev. David Hussey  
Rev. Webster Two Hawk  
Rev. John Spruhan  
Rev. George Parmeter

**Investment Committee**

The Rt. Rev. Creighton Robertson	Steve Sanford
The Rev. Dr. Robert Wagner	Chuck Bahnson
Randy Barnhardt	Randy Reinartz
Robin Tischler	

**Province VI Delegates**

**Lay Deputies**

Barb Oates

**Clergy Deputies**

Deacon Susan Lyman  
The Rev. Kathryn Costas

**Thunderhead Episcopal Camp Board**

David Wheeler, Chair	The Very Rev. Bunker Hill
Uhl Donovan	Holly Huisken
Gladys Hawk	Deacon Mike Weaver

**Youth Ministry Council**

Tara Jean Engel	Kyle Fonder
Deacon Marty Garwood	Holly Huisken
Dottie LeBeau	Jake Young
Johnny Wilson	Bailey Abbott
The Rev. Rita Powell	Maria Murray

**Episcopal Church Women**

Deacon Judy Petersen, President  
Deacon Susan Lyman, Co-President  
Linda Frederick, Treasurer  
Bonnie Walker, Secretary  
Sandy Magnavito, Scholarships

**CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE FUND**

**Report to 2009 Diocesan Convention**

One loan application was considered and approved in 2008. This was for the construction of a new church building for St. Mary's and Our Blessed Redeemer in Flandreau.

The Rosebud Episcopal Mission paid off their loan early.

As of December 31, 2008, seven loans were being repaid, with interest rates that ranged between 3.0% and 8.25%. Loan balances to be repaid total \$169,014.59.

Other assets in the Centennial Challenge Fund are invested in cash and Frank Russell Lifepoints Growth Strategy Fund – Class A. The market value of these investments was \$228,550.60.

**Church Periodical Club**  
Report to 2009 Convention

THE CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB started out at the Church of the Holy Communion in New York City. Mary Ann Drake Fargo and a small group of women began sending bundles of church periodicals, prayer books and Bibles via the Wells Fargo Stage Coach Line to missionaries in the Dakotas, the then far west.

CPC is an independent affiliated organization of the Episcopal Church. CPC depends entirely on contributions to carry out its unique ministry. Your contribution is worth more than words. There is an unending list of mission projects: juvenile facilities, hospitals, libraries, schools, seminarians, prisons, alcohol/drug abuse centers, retirement homes, seafarers' institutes and companion dioceses to name few. CPC has spread into a network throughout the Episcopal Church. Like the Church, CPC functions at all levels: parish, diocesan, provincial and national. Through the national granting program, grants are allocated worldwide based on contributions available in two funds. Applications for these grants are processed through the CPC office at the Episcopal Church Center in New York City.

The National Book Fund is the first national granting fund of the Church Periodical Club. This fund has helped meet religious and secular needs by providing printed and audiovisual materials to individuals, churches and organizations affiliated with the Anglican Communion.

The Miles of Pennies fund became the second national granting fund of the Church Periodical Club. This separate fund is for children only, pre-school to grade 12. In addition to providing printed or taped books and related materials, Miles of Pennies gives grants for the shipping costs of recycled children's books.

HELP SUPPORT THE NATIONAL BOOKS FUND AND MILES OF PENNIES THROUGH THE CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB IN YOUR PARISH, DIOCESE OR PROVINCE.

**Church Periodical Club**

Account Activity – May 31, 2009

<u>January 1, 2009 Beginning Balance</u>		1,607.41
Miles of Pennies	712.54	
Reservation Church Sunday School	200.00	
National Book Fund	<u>694.87</u>	
Total	1,607.41	

	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>Y-T-D</u>
<u>Income:</u>		
National Book Fund:		
Christ ECW - Yankton	0.00	100.00
Calvary Cathedral-Sioux Falls	66.00	66.00
The Reverend Kay Jennings	0.00	25.00
Belles of St. Mary's-Mitchell	<u>0.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
Total National Book Fund Income	66.00	241.00
Miles of Pennies:		
Total Miles of Pennies Fund	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	66.00	241.00

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<u>Expenses:</u>		
CPC	0.00	43.90
Postage	0.00	15.87
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>59.77</u>
May 31, 2009		<u>1,788.64</u>
Miles of Pennies	712.54	
Reservation Church Sunday School	200.00	
National Book Fund	<u>876.10</u>	
<b>Total</b>	<u>1,788.64</u>	

**THE COMMISSION ON MINISTRY**  
Report to 2009 Convention

The Commission on Ministry (COM) of the Diocese of South Dakota is an appointed body, which serves under the direction of the Bishop. The members are both ordained and lay ministers from the Diocese. The COM is charged canonically to assist the Bishop with recruitment, training, and management of the process of preparation for lay and ordained ministry.

COM MEMBERS

The Rev. Evelyn Weaver, Chair	Barbee Hovelson
The Rev. Paul Sneve, Vice Chair	The Rev. Judy Flagstad
Deacon Virginia Bird	The Rev. Dr. Vern Raschke
Ginny Slechta	The Rev. Rita Powell
Dottie LeBeau	

COM ACTIVITIES

The Commission met at Trinity Church in Pierre, South Dakota, on September 12-13, 2008. Jean Lacher, President of the Standing Committee, joined us for our meeting. We began with Noon Day Prayer. Our business session included minutes of the last meeting and reports from the COM members.

At our meetings, the People In the Process are reviewed and lifted up in prayer. Each person in the process has an advocate on the COM who serves as a support person for them. At our September meeting, we reviewed the names and members who were chosen to serve as their advocate. We will keep in touch with that individual by phone or perhaps a card. We can then report to the Commission at the next meeting how that person is and if they are in need of anything from us.

Evelyn Weaver attended the Province VI Commission on Ministry meeting held on the Standing Rock Reservation in North Dakota in June of 2008 and gave her report.

“Footsteps in Faith” is an article written by lay persons for the South Dakota Episcopal ChurchNews to spotlight the ministries of the laity. Several persons have already written fine articles. We decided that this was something the COM wanted to continue and we brainstormed other names of individuals we could ask to write their story. A lot of time on the COM is spent discerning ordained ministry and we want to also lift up the ministry of the laity in our churches. Thanks to all of you who have submitted your stories and we look forward to hearing from more of you!

The remainder of the business session included a Mutual Ministry discussion and how that process, working with our Bishop, might be redefined.

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Before closing the meeting, Virginia Bird gave us material and directions for the retreat for the following morning. She gave us material from the book, *Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth* by Richard J. Foster. We were to read the material and then come Saturday morning for reflection.

The Commission on Ministry met on Saturday, September 13, 2008 for a silent retreat. We had time to go off by ourselves and read the material and reflect on it. After a couple of hours, we came together and shared our thoughts and reflected on our ministry and how that affects our ministry on the COM. We all agreed it was a very worthwhile morning. Thank you Virginia for leading us in the retreat!

The COM met March 20-March 21, 2008 at Trinity in Pierre, South Dakota. As always, we began our meeting with worship. We conducted our business session in the afternoon. We heard reports from various COM members. We had an update on those Persons in the Process. There were several items on the agenda that needed our attention.

Before we closed our afternoon session, we discussed our plans for the evening. We will be meeting with Bishop Robertson, Canon Wagner, and Fr. David Hussey for a discussion of Mutual Ministry. This will include how discernment is done and the education component.

We enjoyed supper together at Trinity prepared by our good friend, Jan Enright. Thank you, Jan, for always serving us such wonderful meals!

The evening session was very good. We had a wonderful discussion with everyone taking part and sharing their insight and their wisdom. We were in agreement that the areas that we need guidelines for include education, training, and discernment; both individual and community discernment.

Bishop Creighton said that he would like the vision of this group shared with the next bishop. The COM discussed inviting the bishop-elect to our meeting in September of 2009 even though it will be before the consecration.

The COM, together with the Standing Committee, continues to host receptions at Niobrara Convocation and Diocesan Convention. It is a time that we can meet individuals who have questions regarding lay or ordained ministry. They have an opportunity to meet us and we can spend some time together in fellowship.

The Commission on Ministry has been in a time of transition since Bishop Creighton announced his retirement. As I stated at the beginning, the COM is an appointed board which serves under the direction of the Bishop. It has been our honor and privilege to serve as Bishop Creighton's Commission on Ministry. The majority of our members have served for many years with Bishop Creighton as our convenor. We will continue to hold both him and Ann up in our prayers as they prepare for retirement. We give thanks to God for all Bishop Creighton has done for our Diocese and we ask that our God bless him, his ministry, and his retirement.

The Commission also will pray for Bishop-elect John and Pat and their family as they prepare for the consecration service on October 31. Our prayer is that our Diocese will support, encourage, and assist the new Bishop in every way possible as he begins his tenure with the Diocese of South Dakota. May our God bless him and his ministry.

The prayers of the Commission are with the Diocese of South Dakota. We continue to pray for all those in the ordination process and everyone who is discerning their call to lay or ordained ministry.

If anyone has questions about our work or would like to visit about ministry, please give one of our members a call. We would very much like to hear from you!

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Evelyn Weaver  
Chair of the Commission on Ministry

### **Ecumenical Relations Report to 2009 Convention**

I continued to serve the Diocese in this capacity in 2009, with Marge Gross also continuing to serve as Associate Ecumenical Officer. We both continue to serve on the Board of Directors of the Association of Christian Churches of South Dakota, which meets quarterly.

The highlight of this year was attending the 76<sup>th</sup> General Convention of the Episcopal Church as a Deputy from the Diocese of South Dakota, and serving on the Ecumenical and Interreligious Legislative Committee, #18. This committee crafted several resolutions that passed both houses of General Convention.

- Resolution A073 sets the basis for full communion to be established between The Episcopal Church and the Northern and Southern Provinces of the Moravian Church. The agreement would allow for shared congregations, the establishment of shared churches, and for clergy and laity to move seamlessly between Moravian and Episcopal churches, in the same way the Lutherans and Episcopalians move back and forth, now. The full communion partnership will be especially useful in North Carolina and Pennsylvania, where Moravians have larger population.
- Resolution A074 endorsed a theological statement on interreligious dialogue that gives dioceses and parishes a document that supports and explains why Episcopalians enter into interreligious dialogue with Muslims and Jews and other world religions. I was part of the subcommittee that made revisions to this resolution before sending it out of the legislative committee for final approval by both houses.
- Resolution A072 reaffirmed the church's ongoing dialogue with the United Methodist Church, which includes interim eucharistic sharing, and expanded that dialogue to include the historically black churches, the African Methodist Church (AME), the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church (AMEZ) and the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church (CME).
- Resolution A075, with the Presbyterian Church USA, allows Episcopalians and Presbyterians to accept the eucharistic hospitality offered by both churches, and also to share resources. At the local level this allows churches that might be struggling to combine efforts and work together on Christian education, youth groups, and other ministries.
- Resolution A076 directs the Standing Commission on Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations to begin a dialogue with the Church of Sweden, with the ultimate goal of reaching full communion. The full texts of these resolutions may be found on the Episcopal Church website, [www.episcopalchurch.org](http://www.episcopalchurch.org) under "General Convention".

The Consecration of The Very Rev. John Tarrant as the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese, scheduled for Saturday, October 31, 2009 at the Sioux Falls Convention Center, will be a major ecumenical event. Part of the procession will include representatives from other denominations as well as other religions. Their presence will offer their prayers for our Diocese as we step ahead in ministry further into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Very Rev. John H. Spruhan  
Ecumenical Officer

### **Episcopal Relief & Development Report to 2009 Convention**

Episcopal Relief & Development is the international relief and development agency of the Episcopal Church of the United States, guided by the Episcopal Church's principles of compassion, dignity and generosity as we work to heal a hurting world. ER-D is working to alleviate hunger and improving food supplies, they are creating economic opportunities and strengthening communities, promoting health and fighting disease and responding to disasters and rebuilding communities. Last year they reached more than 2 million people in over 40 countries.

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Each Diocese has a Coordinator(s) that works along with parish representatives to educate and raise awareness of how we can help a hurting world. This past year, Diocesan Convention passed a resolution making the first Sunday in Lent Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday. General Convention passed this resolution in July. It would be wonderful for each congregation to have a special offering for ER-D that Sunday.

There are many ways to promote the work of ER-D in our congregations. At St. Mark's, Aberdeen, the Wednesday School offering for the year was used to purchase gifts from the Alternative Gift Market. The children decided what to purchase with the funds collected. They were able to purchase a duck, a share in a flock of chickens, a share in a fish farm, and mosquito nets.

Bishops Blend is a special line of coffees and teas. These can be purchased from ER-D for your personal use. They are also a great way to do fundraising. Each Lent, ER-D publishes a Lenten devotional that can be ordered free of charge. St. Mark's has used this devotional for the past two years. There is much we can do to share in healing a hurting world. My hope is that in this next year we will be able to have people volunteer as congregational representatives to bring awareness about the work ER-D is doing and to raise funds so they can continue with their much needed programs.

As coordinator, I would be happy to speak with you and your congregation about the work of ER-D and how you can help. If you have not done so, please visit their website at: [www.er-d.org](http://www.er-d.org).

The Rev. Kathryn Costas  
Diocesan Coordinator

**Episcopal Church Women**  
Meeting Minutes - April 25, 2009

President Judith Petersen called the meeting to order at 11am followed by the opening prayer, "Water is Life..." The meeting was held at Al's Oasis in Oacoma. Attendees: President Judith Peterson, Vice President Susan Lyman, Treasurer Linda Frederick, Secretary Bonnie Walker, UTO Chairperson Sharon Van Doren, Altar Guild/Quilt Chairperson Beverly Trull, Margaret Vranesh. A quorum was declared in accordance with ECW Bylaws, Article XI, Section 3. Copies of the Bylaws approved at the October 3, 2008 meeting were distributed. Minutes of the October 3, 2008 meeting were reviewed and accepted for file. The Treasurer presented her report which was reviewed and accepted for file. Treasurer Linda Frederick then reviewed the 2009 budget, providing current status.

**Outstanding Bills**

Judith Petersen presented receipts for postage and related correspondence expenses in the amount of \$41.61.

**Motion by Margaret Vranesh, second by Beverly Trull to reimburse expenses incurred by Judith Petersen in the amount of \$41.61.** Motion passed.

**Committee Reports and Unfinished Business**

1. **UTO Report** was presented by Sharon Van Doren. The fund status was reported and printed in the January/February 2009 issue of the South Dakota Episcopal Church News. Sharon noted we were ahead of both North Dakota and Wyoming relative to the amount of contributions. She also advised receipt of approximately \$2,000 after the 2008 deadline, which will be applied to the 2009 collection. She recommended churches/parishes establish a spring ingathering to collect UTO boxes. Sharon related some ideas for placement of the boxes to facilitate collection, e.g. someone put a box in her refrigerator and contributed every time she opened the door, someone else kept the box in her car and contributed every time she drove somewhere, someone has placed a jar in the parish hall for collections each Sunday after service or during Bible study. Sharon would appreciate hearing about any other suggestions/ideas. She may be contacted in Huron at 352-5705.
2. **CPC Report** (Chairperson Judy Graves). None.

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3. Education Scholarship Report was presented by Judith Peterson on behalf of Sandy Magnavito. Scholarship is for \$500 and funds are available to support three scholarships. The checks are sent to the financial aid offices of the educational institutions at which the students are enrolled. Four applications have been received to date; the deadline is May 31, 2009, so more applications may be received. The Scholarship Committee will have to notify the Treasurer of the three applicants selected to receive the scholarships and the educational institutions they will be attending. Scholarship information is outlined on page 40 of the May/June 2009 issue of the South Dakota Episcopal Church News.
4. Honored Woman Report was presented by Chairperson Susan Lyman. Bernice Jones of St. Andrews Church in Rapid City is South Dakota's 2009 nominee.
5. Altar Guild/Quilt Report was presented by Chairperson Beverly Trull. She reported the quilt is now in Watertown and Judith Petersen noted since it has now completed its rounds of all the requesting South Dakota churches/parishes, it should now go to the Cultural Heritage Museum in Pierre. President Petersen will take this for action. Beverly requested to resign from her duties as Quilt Chairperson since the quilt is now to be retired. Beverly then questioned clarification of her duties as the State ECW Altar Guild Chairperson. The duties are not outlined in the bylaws and will have to be researched since no one present had any first-hand knowledge of the duties.
6. South Sudan Project Report was presented by Judith Petersen. Fundraising is ongoing and to date, approximately \$1,000 has been raised from South Dakota churches/parishes. A progress report of the Sudan project appeared in a recent issue of the South Dakota Episcopal Church News.
7. Triennial Report regarding the funding status was presented by Linda Frederick. Funds in the amount of \$1,000 have been distributed to each of the three attendees. Additional funds will be distributed for hotel rooms. Two of the attendees were present (Sharon Van Doren and Susan Lyman) and conferred with Linda regarding funding.
8. Women's Retreat is scheduled June 5-7 at TEC. The theme this year is "Awakening the Body, Mind, and Spirit—Creating Balance in an Unbalanced World." More information and the registration form are available on page 34 of the May/June 2009 issue of the South Dakota Episcopal News. EWC scholarships are available; there is a balance of \$360 on hand. It was suggested scholarship information could be made available on the Diocesan website. Judy Petersen will consult with Judy Graves and Holly Huisken regarding applicants needing scholarship funds and ways to advertise the scholarship.

Attendees adjourned for lunch at 12:30pm and reconvened at 1:45pm.

**New Business**

1. Fall Election of EWC Officers for the 2010-2012 term of office was discussed. In accordance with the Bylaws, officers may hold office for two consecutive terms. President Petersen asked if the officers present would be willing to serve a second term; all agreed. The slate to be presented at the Fall EWC meeting is:

President	Judith Petersen
Vice President	Susan Lyman
Treasurer	Linda Frederick
Secretary	Bonnie Walker

In addition, nominations may be taken from the floor.
2. Outreach Three-Year Cycle was proposed by President Petersen. She envisions the first year being of an international concern, which the Sudan Educational Project was. The second year would focus on assisting a South Dakota church/parish and the third year assistance would be directed to a church or parish in another state. This proposal met with the consensus of those present.

**Motion by Bonnie Walker, second by Susan Lyman to establish a three-year outreach cycle to support projects as follows: first year--international project, second year--South Dakota congregation project, and third year--congregation outside of South Dakota.**

Motion passed.  
In accordance with ECW Bylaws, Article IV, Section 2, President Peterson will appoint a committee chairperson.

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3. Memorial Cards for ECW Donations was suggested by Judith Peterson when discussion revealed most individuals do not think about the option of bequeathing funds to the ECW. Bonnie Walker volunteered to research a card availability and format.
4. Deceased Women's Names need to be collected for those women dying during 2008. A list was distributed during the 2008 Diocesan Convention; however, it was not compiled by the ECW. We do not want to duplicate work; Judith Petersen will take this for action and determine who usually compiles this list.
5. Fall Meeting Program was discussed. It was proposed Sharon and Susan present a Triennial Report while Margaret Vranesh will liaison with a couple women who perform a very entertaining skit.
6. Triennial Meeting Representatives present were introduced: Sharon Van Doren and Susan Lyman. A third representative, Diana Regan, will also be attending.
7. Letters to Churches/Parishes reminding them of the \$3 per woman annual donation to the EWC was addressed. Bonnie will draft correspondence for President Petersen's review and approval to be sent to all South Dakota churches/parishes.
8. Committee Members of the various ECW committees are assigned by the Committee Chairpersons in accordance with the Bylaws. There is no provision; however, for reporting committee members' names to the ECW President. It was felt there is a need for this requirement. Bonnie will draft a proposed Bylaws change to be presented at the Fall meeting.

President Petersen presented the closing prayer. The meeting adjourned at 2:35pm. The next meeting is scheduled for October 2, 2009 at the Cedar Shores Resort in Chamberlain.

Bonnie C. Walker  
Secretary

**Historiographer**  
Report to 2009 Convention

Not much going on in historiography this year: one request from Vernon Ashley of Pierre for an early photograph of Ft. Thompson, and info on The Reverend David Clark. Found archival photos, no other info and communicated that to Mr. Ashley. Also assisted the national church archivists in choosing St. James, Belle Fourche, for the 2010 calendar.

Respectfully submitted,  
April Brooks  
Historiographer, The Episcopal Diocese of South Dakota

**DIOCESAN LITURGICAL COMMITTEE REPORT**  
2008-2009

The Liturgical Committee has been very busy since the last Diocesan Convention and has been meeting on a regular basis to plan the worship of a number of events:

- The Electing Convention in May of 2009,
- The Service of Thanksgiving for Bishop Robertson's Ministry
- The 2009 Diocesan Convention
- The Consecration of Bishop Coadjutor elect John Tarrant.

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The committee, made up of Deacon Virginia Bird, JoAnn Edstrom, Dr. Stephen Yarbrough, and The Rev. George Parmeter, invited a number of people to join us in the planning of these events due to the complexity and number, and expresses our gratitude for their willingness to assist us. They are Kim Fonder, Mo. Kathryn Kostas, Jean Lacher, Barbee Hovelson, Fr. Liam Muller, and Deacon Marty Garwood. Fr. Tarrant has graciously taken time to assist us with the planning of his consecration on October 31 in Sioux Falls. We are also thankful to the Deanery Deans, the Niobrara Deanery Officers, and Bishop Robertson for their support and assistance.

The Liturgical Committee is working hard to bring a visible balance to our worship that will reflect the make up of our diocese and appreciates the support of the Bishop, Standing Committee, and people of the diocese in accomplishing this goal.

Dr. Stephen Yarbrough has written an exciting anthem for the Consecration of Bishop Tarrant. Kim Fonder has built a new altar for Diocesan events and is invaluable in helping us with Lakota Music. Jean Lacher has made a new altar frontal for the Diocese. Barbee Hovelson's graphic design talents have been valuable in designing the worship area for the consecration.

It has indeed been a busy year and we thank everyone for their support and assistance.

Yours in Christ  
The Rev. George Parmeter, Chairman

**Niobrara Council**  
The Report to 2009 Convention

The Niobrara Council of the Diocese of South Dakota is administered by an elected body with representatives from the Niobrara Deanery. The members are both ordained clergy and laity.

**NIOBRARA COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Itancan:** Rev. Les Campbell  
**Vice-Itancan:** Johnny Wilson  
**Treasurer:** Kim Fonder  
**Secretary:** Patricia White Horse-Carda  
**Sergeant-At-Arms:** Don Metcalf

**NIOBRARA COUNCIL ACTIVITIES**

The 136<sup>th</sup> Niobrara Convocation was held June 19-22, 2008 hosted by the Cheyenne River Episcopal Mission Churches at Eagle Butte, SD. The Pledge Sheets were revised and used for the first time to reflect all non-pledge items for men, women and youth. Bishop Creighton Robertson introduced The Most Reverend Katherine Jefferts Schori, the twenty-sixth Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, as a special guest.

In regard to building ministry, Fr. Paul Sneve, Rev. Mercy Hobbs and Fr. Les Campbell explained their roles in providing programs to expand ministry in South Dakota and what has been planned for the Niobrara School for Ministry. Fr. Sneve spoke of Summer Seminary at Thunderhead Episcopal Center and Diocesan Ministry weekends are ongoing. Contact either Fr. Paul Sneve or Rev. Mercy Hobbs to register for classes, anyone who has an interest is urged to register and attend the classes.

The Five Year Plan for the Niobrara Deanery will consist of:

1. Real involvement with action steps, which includes everyone.
2. Record keeping for committees that could include By-Laws and the process for planning.
3. Building up Lay Ministry throughout the missions.

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4. Reaching out to the youth by developing programs and reorganizing the Niobrara Youth Council and the Young People's Fellowship.

One of the main topics was the Election of a Bishop, the roles of the Standing, Nominating and Transition Committees in the process, the Election Convention and the Consecration. A delegation from Rosebud Mission requested the 137<sup>th</sup> Niobrara Convocation be held there in 2009 which was a formality and unanimously approved. The following missions will host the Niobrara Convocation in the future: 2010 at St. Mary's Church, Old Agency, Sisseton Mission; and 2011 at St. Matthews, Rapid City. The Laity Licenses were distributed to the clergy or representatives from the mission churches to present to their members.

Several Niobrara Council meetings were held throughout the 2008-2009 year to take of business matters.

- We met August 15-16, 2008 St. Peter's Church, Ft. Pierre, SD. Pat LeBeau discussed dividing money from *Wopila* to lay readers for mileage. Standing Rock does this and Sisseton will do the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, all the churches will come together and divide the money. A motion was made and passed to transfer \$500 from *Wopila* to be used at the 137<sup>th</sup> Niobrara Convocation and divide it among the lay readers.
- The Standing Rock North Dakota representatives are recognized at the Niobrara Convocation when members attend. They requested the Natives confirmed in North Dakota be able to wear the Niobrara cross. Bishop Hare designed the cross specifically for Natives confirmed by the Episcopal clergy. This will be referred to Bishop Robertson.
- The Standing Committee recommended the Niobrara Council draft a letter to be provided to funeral directors a protocol to follow when someone dies and the family makes a request for a particular cemetery. This letter will be put on the Diocesan website in the near future.

We met at the Diocese of SD Annual Convention on October 3, 2008 Cedar Shore Resort, Oacoma, SD. Johnny Wilson commented about youth attending events, we need more media coverage sent throughout the missions. Fr. Les invited Rita Powell to speak about the Youth Ministry Council. She had a handout, Young Adult Leadership Workshop. She will submit a tentative budget to the Niobrara Council at the March meeting. There were recommendations for vacant positions on Diocesan Committees, and the registration and forms completed for submission.

The next meeting was March 27-28, 2009 at St. Peters Church, Fort Pierre, SD.

- Rita Powell announced TEC has a full staff of SD college students to staff the summer sessions. She will be at Rosebud during Holy Week to meet with camp counselors and Niobrara Convocation planning committee. She anticipates the activities offered will be exciting to the youth. The goal is to promote youth ministry, her job is to find them and ask them to reach out and let them know the church is there for them and with them. Johnny Wilson had two ideas: 1) to ask if the BCU-St. Andrew will start a vegetable garden at TEC to promote an awareness of our connection to mother earth, and 2) have the youth complete an interest inventory/survey to determine what they want to learn about and do in accordance with the goals at TEC. A motion was made and passed to give \$3,500 to the youth group, which is a matching funds challenge from the St. Mary's Board, and \$1,000 to the Sisseton lay readers conference.
- There was clarification regarding the Niobrara cross and Policy 1 was adopted by the Niobrara Council. The Niobrara Council bought the small crosses and the Diocese bought the large crosses.
- The nominees for the election of a bishop and their spouses will visit the Diocese of South Dakota April 29 through May 3, participating in a series of five forums around the state. A special election convention will be held on Saturday, May 9, 2009 at the Ramkota Convention Center in Pierre with voting delegates from each of the churches in the Diocese.
- The formation of a Province VI Native Network Formation Team met March 4-6, 2009 at Blue Cloud Abbey. A plan is in progress for the first Province VI Native Ministry Gathering which would be attended by Native clergy and Native lay readers ministering in Native congregations.
- Vern led a discussion of a grant proposal in regard to Niobrara Deanery, which was written two years ago and still on the books at the Diocese. He has written a new proposed New Opportunities Grant for

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2009 in the amount of \$10,000.00. A cover letter from Fr. Les Campbell and Bishop Robertson is needed to submit to the Office of Native American Ministries.

- Fr. Spruhan discussed the 137<sup>th</sup> Niobrara Convocation Planning Committee report, the tentative schedule and roles of the Bishop Coadjutor and Bishop Robertson at Convocation. The planning committee will send flyers regarding the 137<sup>th</sup> Niobrara Convocation to all churches in SD. The theme is, *Let the little children come to me...* Matthew 19:14.

If anyone has questions about our work or would like to attend a meeting, please give one of our members a call. Hopefully we'll see many of you at the 137<sup>th</sup> Niobrara Convocation at Mission, SD June 26-28, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,  
Patricia White Horse-Carda  
Secretary of the Niobrara Council

## PROVINCE VI SYNOD

June 11-13, 2009  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Episcopal Public Narrative Project is one way to practice the mission of the church. We practiced telling our own story, then linked our story of self to US and NOW. The US is our leadership role and relationships within our local communities. The NOW is the challenge to an urgent need, the hope that inspires us to risk action and the choice about what is the specific outcome we hope to achieve, the specific commitment we are asking each person to make, and why we must work together to achieve it.

'Public Narrative' will be practiced at Triennial Convention. It felt like evangelism in an Episcopal style.

In another session of Synod we were updated on what to expect at convention, how to vote (sign your ballot), how convention is governed by the constitution, canons, and Roberts Rules of Order. We learned some history. The first general convention was in 1785; in 1886 the House of Deputies convened for the first time; 1867 was the first Lambeth Conference. They meet every ten years. The House of Bishops meet twice a year between general conventions.

On Friday afternoon there were breakout sessions: CPG Health Care Program, Title IV, Integrity (LGBT) issues, Ecumenical/interfaith resolutions, Justice and accountability in the workplace, and Public Narrative. I attended Title IV and Integrity.

The session on Title IV explained the proposed canon changes concerning the discipline of the ordained. The presenter gave us some history of Title IV. In 1994 it was much like the military Code of Justice, 1997 the process parallel of bishops to deacons and priests, 2007 truth telling and restoration. Structures and Proceedings: All complaints are sent to the bishop. It can stop here. Is it an offense against the constitution, canons, rubrics, civil or criminal? The bishop can depose, reprimand or suspend.

The Canon changes proposed for convention would give diocesan Chancellor a format for setting up the Disciplinary Board, Province Board, Conference Board, and Hearing Panel. Those in attendance were Complainant, Respondent, Complainant Advocate, Respondent Advocate, other concerned members of the community, bishop, Intake Person (keeps record), Church attorney. Disciplinary Board has nine members. The Reference Panel has the President of the Disciplinary Board, Bishop and Intake Person. The Conference Panel has three members chosen from the Disciplinary Board. The Hearing panel has three members chosen from the Disciplinary Board. If the complaint gets to the Hearing Panel it is much like a trial. Witnesses are under oath, evidence is presented, it is public and a record is kept. The objection here is that would leave the respondent open to possible civil or criminal charges.

The purpose of these canons is to promote healing, repentance, forgiveness, restitution, justice, amendment of life, reconciliation of complainant, respondent and community. No statute of limitations concerning children, all others there is a two year limitation.

**Integrity:** The recommendation is to not rescind B033 but move beyond it. Suggest a resolution that will move the Episcopal Church forward on marriage equality, update canons and prayer book, supplemental liturgical materials needed. Bishop O'Neill of Colorado said the U.S.A. needs to be more conscious of how we act. The Episcopal Church needs to know our actions are seen through a political lens.

The business meeting Saturday morning was approval of budget, election of officers, minutes of the last meeting and was closed in prayer.

Deacon Susan Lyman  
St. Paul's, Vermillion

### **TEC Board Report to 2009 Convention**

This is the first annual report of the newly formed TEC Board. Last December a separate nonprofit corporation called Thunderhead Conference Center was created. The TEC Board is the Board of Directors for that corporation. There are multiple reasons for the creation of the new entity. One of the biggest reasons is that this new corporation will obtain 501(c)(3) status and will be able to accept tax-deductible contributions. We hope that this will encourage people to donate to TEC by knowing that the donations will be used solely for the advancement of this sacred space.

The TEC Board is responsible for management of the facilities and grounds. Its main purpose will be to provide generous hospitality to those who stay there. Holly Huisken serves as the camp director under the supervision of the Board. The program of the summer camp will be under the direction of the Rev. Rita Powell and the Youth Commission.

The Board met twice this past year. Our first meeting was in Pierre on March 13-14. We came together to discuss the new direction in which the board was going and to chart our course. On May 23<sup>rd</sup>, we gathered at TEC during the "work weekend." The central point of discussion was the potential sale of land around the camp to establish an endowment. The members walked the grounds in order to see exactly what land is owned by the Diocese. After much discussion, there was agreement (although not unanimous) that the land on the north side of Hwy. 85 could be sold without doing harm to the character of the camp. The land on the south side, which includes and surrounds the camp, should be maintained as it is. Those who disagreed felt that no land should be sold. Although the final decision rests with the Diocesan Council, the TEC Board hopes that the Council will consider its recommendations as it proceeds.

Between now and convention, the Board will meet again Aug. 28-29 in Pierre. Before ending the report, I would like to express our sincere thanks to Holly for the enormous amount of work that she does on behalf of TEC, the Diocese, and the youth in South Dakota. She is a force of nature that keeps TEC moving forward. If you see her at convention, be sure to give her a quick "thank you."

Respectfully submitted,  
David Wheeler  
TEC Board Chair

### **UNITED THANK OFFERING Report to 2009 Convention**

The mission of the United Thank Offering is to continue expanding the circle of thankful people. I hope all of you were able to achieve this mission at your spring Ingatherings and are already making plans for fall.

At the recent national UTO meeting sixty-three grants were recommended for a total of \$2,037,303.15. The grants will now have to be approved at the Triennial meeting in July.

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I will again be at Diocesan Convention with my “supply table” and look forward to seeing you there. Remember you may order blue boxes (at no cost) by calling 800-903-5544 or place your order on line at [www.episcopalchurch.org/uto](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/uto)

Sherry Van Doren  
UTO Coordinator

2009 UTO REPORT					
#	Church Name	City	2009 SPRING	2009 FALL	2009 TOTAL
2	St. James'	Belle Fourche		124.29	124.29
3	St. Paul's	Brookings	392.39	180.20	572.59
4	St. John's	Deadwood	88.33	455.98	544.31
5	Grace Church	Huron	234.80	198.80	433.60
6	Christ Church	Lead	93.00	206.48	299.48
8	St. James'	Mobridge		199.20	199.20
10	Emmanuel	Rapid City	858.53	1,717.38	2,575.91
11	St. Andrew's	Rapid City		641.21	641.21
12	Calvary Cathedral	Sioux Falls	10.00	1,692.34	1,702.34
16	Trinity	Watertown	67.45	121.51	188.96
17	Trinity	Winner	37.06	286.11	323.17
18	Christ Church	Yankton		625.10	625.10
23	St. Peter's	Ft. Pierre	58.83		58.83
26	St. Luke's	Hot Springs	77.56	127.66	205.22
29	Grace Church	Madison	175.28	226.09	401.37
30	St. Katharine's	Martin	89.00		89.00
31	Christ Church	Milbank	86.00	123.11	209.11
35	St. Paul's	Vermillion		100.22	100.22
36	St. Mary's	Webster		76.89	76.89
49	Christ Church	Ft. Thompson	75.00		75.00
51	Holy Comforter	Lower Brule	65.24	84.95	150.19
74	Church of Jesus	Rosebud	55.30	34.12	89.42
	Sisseton Mission		94.27		94.27
87	St. James'	Enemy Swim		122.05	122.05
91	St. Elizabeth's	Wakpala	150.00		150.00
	TEC			7.02	7.02
	Diocesan Convention			150.81	150.81
	Individual Donations		25.00		25.00
	<b>TOTALS</b>		2,733.04	7,501.52	10,234.56
	2003 Totals				7,039.60
	2004 Totals				11,851.24
	2005 Totals				9,825.74
	2006 Totals				7,358.23
	2007 Totals				11,590.79
	2008 Totals				7,796.56
	Balance Forward				29.74
	TOTAL INCOME				10,264.30
	Checks to National UTO				10,250.00
	Balance as of 12/10/09				14.30

**Youth in the Diocese**  
Report to 2009 Convention

## CONVOCATION

The youth at Niobrara Convocation this year had a lot to participate in! Starting Thursday night, Nammy\*-award-winning Native rapper Supaman, of Rezawrecktion, performed songs and told stories. His story of transformation from thug to disciple was inspiring and he spoke openly about being Native and being a Christian and the dynamic tension of those two identities. Friday the TEC staff chaperoned the Convocation youth down to a Tribal Youth Day at the Rosebud Casino for games and more live music. Saturday, the Habitat for Humanity Road Race and Walk happened, and in the afternoon over 40 young people joined TEC staff at the Mission pool for a good time in the water. At Sunday morning's closing festival Eucharist, over 20 young people were confirmed by the Bishops present. It was a joyous event, and will hopefully continue to grow in strength and size with every summer.

\*Native American Music Award

## TEC

TEC had a glorious summer of youth program. We had a 30% increase in campers! A total of 81 young people participated in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>/ family camp, high school, girls, boys, and coed middle school camps. Almost 70% of our campers' visits to TEC were made possible by the generosity of the scholarship money given to TEC by the Niobrara Council and St. Mary's Scholarship Board. And a special thanks to all of you, parents and other leaders in the Diocese, particularly **Fr. Rob and Jeanne Schwarz, Sheryl Sam, Kim Fonder, Jay Vanduch, Pat White Horse-Carda, Harold Bakker, Julie Gehm, Kitty Tiger, T.J. Bozied, and Dave Sanford** who went the extra mile (or 400) to get kids to and from camps this summer. Your commitment is part of how we let our youth know they are valuable!

We had wonderful visiting priests and spiritual directors. Special thanks to **Mo. Kathryn Costas, Fr. Rob Schwarz, Fr. Ryan Hall, Mo. Mercy Hobbs, Fr. Liam Muller, Mo. Liz Powers, and Sam Robertson** for all the program and presence they provided our young people this summer! **Mo. Kathryn** trained our counselor staff in observing boundaries - physical, emotional, and spiritual. **Father Ryan** and **Father Rob** brought liturgical lessons to the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade camp, teaching about vessels and vestments and Holy Communion. **Portia Hurney**, Head Counselor, Trinity, Pierre, was a wonderful part of camp this summer contributing a series of explorations of different styles of prayer for the High School and Middle School girls sessions. **Fr. Liam** taught a rigorous course on the essentials of being an Episcopal Christian for the coed middle school confirmation camp. **Sam Robertson** brought a message of racial awareness and compassion to the middle school boys camp. **Father John Tarrant** contributed from afar by loaning TEC a series of provocative DVDs by Christian writer Rob Bell which were used by each camp to stimulate real discussions of faith in our lives.

In addition, we had chapel services twice daily, song practices where we learned songs in English, Lakota, French, German, Swedish and Spanish, and trips to explore the sacred beauty of the Black Hills. Campers visited Roughlock Falls, Lake Roubaix, Bear Butte, and our very own special cliffs for Eucharist. And of course, camp wouldn't be camp without prayer partners, campfires and songs, water balloon volleyball, capture the flag, mafia, signs, and name games. As one camper said after every meal.... Go Camp!

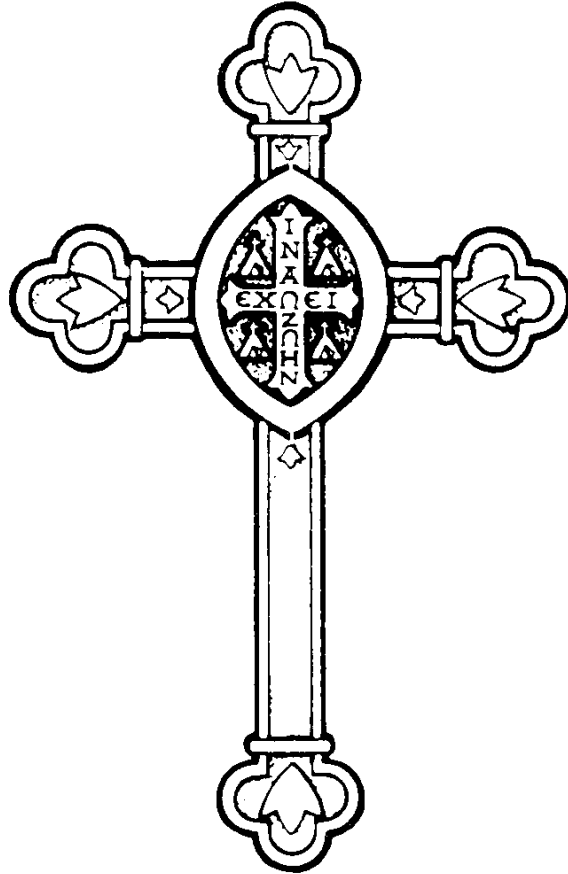
## YOUTH CONVENTION

A future event, as I write this. But here is the plan: the Diocesan youth will gather for the first time in a few years at The Sound of Faith Youth Convention, held at the Methodist Retreat Center on Lake Poinsett, SD. The weekend will be a powerful combination of sharing and thinking, play and worship. Friday night will have music by the lake at our opening campfire and the first session of small group meetings to share our favorite music together. Saturday morning, after breakfast and chapel, youth leaders from around the Diocese will offer short presentations on how they hear God in their lives, followed by small group discussions. A town hall style meeting will convene before lunch to talk about where the youth would like to go in the church over the next year, featuring a word of welcome from Bishop-elect John Tarrant. The afternoon will give us a chance for some lake-time, and then it's concert time! Vermillion High School Band Paradise Fears and acclaimed Christian band Bread of Stone will perform the night away. Sunday

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morning, Mo. Kathryn Costas, hosting Dean of the Convention, will offer a festival Eucharist followed by brunch and goodbyes.

Submitted by,  
The Rev. Rita Powell  
Diocesan Youth Coordinator



## FINANCIAL REPORTS

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**2009 PLEDGE TO THE DIOCESE  
As of September 30, 2009**

	Pledge	Payable To Date	Paid To Date	Balance	ChurchNews	Payable To Date	Paid To Date	Balance
Aberdeen - St. Mark's	16,220.00	12,165.00	12,165.01	4,054.99	55.00	41.25	55.00	0.00
Belle Fourche - St. James'	3,217.00	2,412.75	2,413.00	804.00	105.00	78.75	90.00	15.00
Brookings - St. Paul's	9,600.00	7,200.00	7,200.00	2,400.00	240.00	180.00	240.00	0.00
Deadwood - St. John's	5,805.00	4,353.75	3,870.00	1,935.00	90.00	67.50	90.00	0.00
Huron - Grace	15,750.00	11,812.50	11,817.00	3,933.00	380.00	285.00	285.00	95.00
Lead - Christ Church	7,460.00	5,595.00	5,060.00	2,400.00	150.00	112.50	150.00	0.00
Mitchell - St. Mary's	1,625.00	1,218.75	1,218.78	406.22	165.00	123.75	165.00	0.00
Mobridge - St. James'	1,500.00	1,125.00	1,500.00	0.00	80.00	60.00	80.00	0.00
Pierre - Trinity	16,024.00	12,018.00	5,080.00	10,944.00	55.00	41.25	55.00	0.00
Rapid City - Emmanuel	43,523.00	32,642.25	32,642.28	10,880.72	615.00	461.25	461.25	153.75
Rapid City - St. Andrew's	23,000.00	17,250.00	17,375.83	5,624.17	360.00	270.00	282.51	77.49
Sioux Falls - Calvary	61,054.00	45,790.50	45,790.56	15,263.44	835.00	626.25	835.00	0.00
Sioux Falls - Good Shepherd	8,000.00	6,000.00	6,003.00	1,997.00	30.00	22.50	0.00	30.00
Spearfish - All Angels	22,352.00	16,764.00	14,901.30	7,450.70	350.00	262.50	233.33	116.67
Sturgis - St. Thomas'	5,027.00	3,770.25	3,351.33	1,675.67	120.00	90.00	120.00	0.00
Watertown - Trinity	8,605.00	6,453.75	6,453.72	2,151.28	270.00	202.50	202.50	67.50
Winner - Trinity	1,000.00	750.00	650.00	350.00	120.00	90.00	120.00	0.00
Yankton - Christ Church	19,984.00	14,988.00	13,359.51	6,624.49	485.00	363.75	324.57	160.43
<b>TOTAL PARISHES</b>	<b>269,746.00</b>	<b>202,309.50</b>	<b>190,851.32</b>	<b>78,894.68</b>	<b>4,505.00</b>	<b>3,378.75</b>	<b>3,789.16</b>	<b>715.84</b>
Bonesteel - St. Andrew's	571.00	428.25	571.00	0.00	40.00	30.00	40.00	0.00
Chamberlain - Christ Church	2,600.00	1,950.00	1,733.33	866.67	130.00	97.50	97.50	32.50
Cheyenne River Mission	1,725.00	1,293.75	1,280.00	445.00	495.00	371.25	260.00	235.00
Crow Creek Mission	1,000.00	750.00	925.00	75.00	235.00	176.25	235.00	0.00
DeSmet - St. Stephen's	30.00	22.50	30.00	0.00	15.00	11.25	15.00	0.00
Flandreau - St. Mary's	600.00	450.00	600.00	0.00	50.00	37.50	50.00	0.00
Ft. Pierre - St. Peter's	2,700.00	2,025.00	2,700.00	0.00	95.00	71.25	95.00	0.00
Gettysburg - Christ Church	250.00	187.50	205.00	45.00	45.00	33.75	38.00	7.00
Gregory - Incarnation	400.00	300.00	0.00	400.00	80.00	60.00	0.00	80.00
Herrick - All Saints	130.00	97.50	75.83	54.17	35.00	26.25	35.00	0.00
Hot Springs - St. Luke's	2,352.00	1,764.00	1,568.00	784.00	120.00	90.00	80.00	40.00
Lake Andes - St. Peter's	539.00	404.25	539.00	0.00	15.00	11.25	15.00	0.00
Lower Brule Mission	2,409.00	1,806.75	2,409.00	0.00	190.00	142.50	190.00	0.00
Madison - Grace	1,760.00	1,320.00	1,710.41	49.59	45.00	33.75	45.00	0.00
Martin - St. Katharine's	6,007.00	4,505.25	4,504.64	1,502.36	225.00	168.75	168.75	56.25
Milbank - Christ Church	2,400.00	1,800.00	2,002.00	398.00	65.00	48.75	65.00	0.00
Pine Ridge Mission	1,638.00	1,228.50	1,213.67	424.33	375.00	281.25	225.12	149.88
Rapid City - St. Matthew's	3,600.00	2,700.00	2,400.00	1,200.00	120.00	90.00	80.00	40.00
Rosebud Mission	7,283.00	5,462.25	4,261.43	3,021.57	335.00	251.25	135.00	200.00
Santee Mission	2,452.00	1,839.00	0.00	2,452.00	105.00	78.75	105.00	0.00
Sioux Falls - Holy Apostles	7,348.00	5,511.00	5,511.06	1,836.94	85.00	63.75	85.00	0.00
Sisseton - Gethsemane	700.00	525.00	550.00	150.00	80.00	60.00	0.00	80.00
Sisseton Mission	1,900.00	1,425.00	845.00	1,055.00	180.00	135.00	20.00	160.00
Standing Rock Mission	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	180.00	135.00	30.00	150.00
Vermillion - St. Paul's	12,188.00	9,141.00	8,000.00	4,188.00	180.00	135.00	180.00	0.00
Webster - St. Mary's	1,200.00	900.00	700.00	500.00	25.00	18.75	25.00	0.00
Yankton Mission	975.00	731.25	571.00	404.00	130.00	97.50	95.00	35.00
<b>TOTAL MISSIONS</b>	<b>64,757.00</b>	<b>48,567.75</b>	<b>44,905.37</b>	<b>19,851.63</b>	<b>3,675.00</b>	<b>2,756.25</b>	<b>2,409.37</b>	<b>1,265.63</b>
<b>TOTAL PARISH &amp; MISSIONS</b>	<b>334,503.00</b>	<b>250,877.25</b>	<b>235,756.69</b>	<b>98,746.31</b>	<b>8,180.00</b>	<b>6,135.00</b>	<b>6,198.53</b>	<b>1,981.47</b>

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**Income and Expense Statement**  
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<b>12/31/2008</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>	<b><u>BUDGET</u></b>
	<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>

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**EXPENSES**

MISSION CLERGY AND SUPPORT:

Salary and Housing - Note 1	403,198	462,923
Medical Insurance - Note 2	109,870	153,051
Travel	54,856	67,150
Utilities	11,495	34,300
Pension	78,799	96,408
Moving and Interview	26,494	0
Payroll Taxes	1,303	3,827
<b>TOTAL MISSION CLERGY AND SUPPORT</b>	<b>686,015</b>	<b>817,659</b>

THE LARGER CHURCH:

General Church Program	49,204	49,204
General Convention Deputies - Note 3	6,750	6,750
Provincial Assessment	2,651	2,651
Provincial Synod Deputies	490	1,500
Lambeth Conference Reserve	750	750
<b>TOTAL LARGER CHURCH SUPPORT</b>	<b>59,845</b>	<b>60,855</b>

DIOCESAN PROGRAM SUPPORT

Miscellaneous:

Remington Retreat Center	5,949	4,000
Other Conferences	5,492	5,400
Deanery Programs	380	3,500
Diocesan Companion Relationships	973	2,000
Outreach	18,825	49,204
<b>Total Miscellaneous Program Support</b>	<b>31,619</b>	<b>64,104</b>

Ecumenical Relations:

Association of Christian Churches	1,531	1,531
Flandreau Chaplaincy Program	1,000	1,000
<b>Total Ecumenical Affiliations</b>	<b>2,531</b>	<b>2,531</b>

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Commissions and Committees:		
Aging	0	250
Commission on Ministry	1,435	4,500
Episcopal Women's Council	2,000	2,000
Ecumenical Relations	1,044	1,750
Liturgy and Music	275	750
Niobrara Council	3,600	3,600
Standing Committee	1,917	2,000
Total Commissions and Committees	10,271	14,850
	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>
	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>
Partners With God - New Initiatives:		
Achievement Management Goal:		
Communications	1,937	1,500
South Dakota ChurchNews	7,055	8,000
Achievement Management Other	0	5,000
Ministry Development Goal:		
Clergy Conferences	5,610	10,000
Deacon's Conferences	0	1,000
Christian Formation	161	1,000
Lay Ministry Formation	900	2,500
Niobrara School for Ministry	7,774	10,000
Dakota Experience	0	2,500
Ministry Development Other	0	5,000
Ministry Support Goal:		
Ministry Support Other	1,037	10,000
Education Goal:		
D.C.O.T.E.	0	2,000
Thunderhead Episcopal Camp	63,124	65,000
Continuing Education	713	2,000
Education for Ministry	2,635	3,500
Youth & Young Adult Ministries	3,849	3,000
Education Other	0	5,000
St. Mary's School/Leadership Development	21,855	15,000
Evangelism Goal:		
Evangelism	850	10,000
Community Engagement Goal:		

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Jubilee/Anti-Racism	1,260	2,000
Community Engagement Other	0	5,000
Stewardship Goal:		
Stewardship	74	10,000
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Total Partners With God-New Initiatives	118,834	179,000
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TOTAL DIOCESAN PROGRAM SUPPORT	163,255	260,485

	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>INCOME</u>	<u>BUDGET</u> <u>INCOME</u>
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EPISCOPATE, EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT STAFF	205,036	206,066
DIOCESAN OPERATIONS		
Hospitality	3,180	3,000
Payroll Taxes	6,339	6,216
Pension	28,686	28,686
Medical Insurance - Note 2	43,515	41,835
Travel	60,932	61,500
Discretionary Fund	8,185	4,000
Audit & Professional Fees	6,205	4,750
Convention & Journal	11,444	10,000
Telephone	7,772	6,500
Office	16,721	16,721
Supplies	9,970	9,000
Postage	4,575	5,500
Equipment Maintenance	1,201	2,500
Equipment	1,122	3,000
Archives	750	750
Dues & Subscriptions	2,078	2,500
Production & Printing	1,163	1,100
Insurance	13,204	18,000
Diocesan Council	2,832	12,000
Miscellaneous	30	125
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TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	229,904	237,683
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<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,344,055</b>	<b>1,582,748</b>

**INCOME**

CONGREGATIONAL SUPPORT:

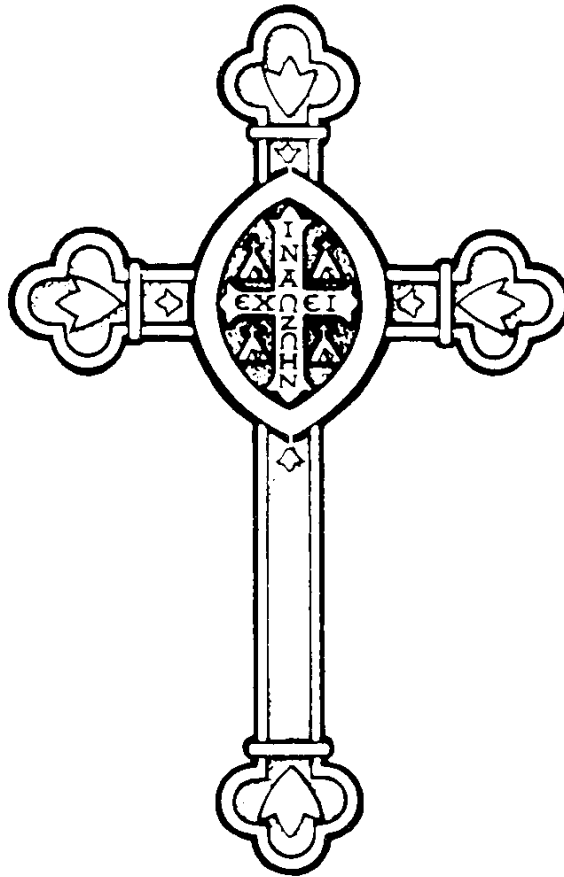
Parish and Missions - Note 4	308,575	307,072
Late Payments	7,547	5,000
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Total Congregational Support	316,122	312,072
CHAPTER ENDOWMENT SUPPORT - Note 5	220,000	308,675
GEN. CONVENTION BLOCK GRANT - Note 6	567,648	567,648
Miscellaneous Income:		
Gifts	36,459	24,000
Remington Retreat Center	5,470	4,000
Thunderhead Camp	36,451	35,000
Conference Fees & Registrations - Note 7	14,264	16,000
South Dakota ChurchNews	8,365	9,000
Youth & Young Adult Ministries	0	1,000
Undesignated Income	27,367	25,000
Designated Income - Note 8	78,611	62,550
Other Interest	64	200
Total Miscellaneous Income	207,051	176,750
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	1,310,821	1,365,145
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(33,234)</b>	<b>(217,603)</b>

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**Grant Activity Report**  
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SOURCE AND PURPOSE	12/31/2007 Balance	2008 Receipts	2008 Disbursements	12/31/2008 Balance
D & FMS - Ad Campaign	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
D & FMS - Niobrara School for Ministry	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00	0.00
D & FMS - Native Leadership	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	9,000.00
UTO - St. Mary's - Flandreau	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	0.00
D & FMS-ERD-Flood Relief	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
D & FMS - TEC	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>31,000.00</b>	<b>16,000.00</b>	<b>37,000.00</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>



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