# 5 Response to Bishop’s Address

Be it resolved, we give thanks for the election and investiture of John McKee Sloan as Eleventh Bishop of Alabama. In response to our bishop’s address and in support of his vision for this diocese to hold fast to that which is good, while singing a new song to the Lord, we affirm our calling to fish for people in the lakes, ponds and streams of Alabama. We acknowledge that this will not be without risk, that venturing away from the tried and true, we may hook an occasional stump, but we joyfully commit ourselves to our bishop’s challenge to re-imagine, reinvent and renew our mission and ministries both lay and ordained by prayerful discernment and deliberate action.