191st Annual Convention of the Diocese of Kentucky
Nominees for Election

Trustees & Council:
Trustees and Council manages the temporal affairs of the Diocese subject to the Canons of the Church and the budgets and resolutions adopted by the Diocesan Convention. A nominee for the council should be a person who has at least some familiarity with the organization, structure and resources of the Diocese and an interest in business affairs. Nominees should be willing to take responsibility for the work of the council in implementing decisions of the Convention, formulating long-range plans and making immediate decisions about the life and work of the Diocese. Each nominee, if elected, should be prepared to vote upon matters which will support the mission and ministry of the Diocese. Each lay nominee must be an active, adult, confirmed communicant of a congregation in good standing, and should be a faithful, committed believer in the Lord, who is committed to the well-being of the Diocese and the larger Church. Each clerical nominee must be canonically resident in the Diocese of Kentucky, either parochial or non-parochial. Trustees and Council meets five to six times a year, including one overnight retreat at All Saints’ Center; members should expect to pay for travel, lodging and meals for these meetings. A trustee may be elected for two (2) successive terms of three (3) years each, after which at least one (1) year shall elapse before a trustee may be re-elected. Partial terms shall not be considered in determining whether a trustee has served two (2) consecutive terms.


The following presbyters have been nominated for two three-year terms:

The Very Rev. Katherine Doyle
The Very Rev. Katherine Doyle has been rector of St. Thomas, Louisville for two and a half years and a part of the diocese for then and a half years. Prior to coming to St. Thomas, Doyle served as associate rector at Calvary, Louisville and was the short-term interim rector at Trinity, Owensboro. In the diocese, Doyle serves as the dean of the Northeast Deanery, chairs the Christian Formation Committee, serves on Trustees & Council, and is the coordinator of Youth and Young Adult Ministries. In the community, she serves with Family Health Services and Central Louisville Community Ministries.
The Rev. Kelly Kirby
The Rev. Kelly Kirby has been the rector of St. Matthew’s, Louisville for four years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. Prior to coming to St. Matthew’s, Kirby was rector of St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church in Mentor, OH. Kirby has served as a deputy to the 79th General Convention and has been a member of the Standing Committee. In the community, she serves with EmpowerWest, which is a coalition of pastors and churches in Louisville working with residents of West Louisville.

The following laypersons have been nominated for two three-year terms:

Bud Dannemiller
Bud Dannemiller has been a communicant of St. Paul’s, Louisville for seven years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. At St. Paul’s, Dannemiller is a member of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, Fellowship Committee, and serves Youth Programs. He has previously served on the vestry, including as Senior Warden, the Budget Committee, Buildings and Grounds Committee, Fellowship Committee, Youth Programs, St. Alban’s/St. Paul’s Partnership Committee, and as a deputy to Diocesan Convention. In the community, Dannemiller is president of the Audi Club North America and was past president of the Audi Club of Kentucky. He is a Senior Information Technology Project Manager with Humana, Inc.

Kathy Eigelbach
Kathy Eigelbach has been a communicant of St. Thomas, Louisville for seven years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. At St. Paul’s, she is currently serving on a discernment committee and has previously served on the vestry, including as Senior Warden, two additional discernment committees, and has twice been a deputy to Diocesan Conventory. Eigelbach is Adjunct Faculty at University of Louisville and Bellarmine University.

Joseph R. John
Joseph John has been a communicant of St. James, Pewee Valley for eight years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. At St. James, he has served on the vestry, including as Junior and Senior Warden, as Head Verger/Sacristan, and has been a Lector, Server, Ecumenical Lay Minister, and Webmaster. John has also been a member of the Endowment/Finance Committee, two Discernment Committees, the Altar Guild, and Worship Committee. In the community he has worked with several groups, including Volunteers of America, United Way, the Greater Louisville Fund for the Performing Arts, the Salvation Army, Habitat for Humanity, and the Center for Nonprofit Excellence. He retired as the 2nd Vice President Marketing of Monumental Life Insurance Company.
Standing Committee:
The Standing Committee serves as a council of advice to the Bishop and, when there is no Bishop authorized to act, serves as the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese. The committee consists of three (3) presbyters, three (3) lay persons and one (1) deacon who serve for terms of three (3) years each. The routine work of the committee consists of deciding whether or not to approve candidates for the ministry and proposed ordinations in the diocese, and whether or not to consent, on behalf of the diocese, to the ordination of bishops elected in other dioceses. Upon resignation of the Bishop, the Standing Committee is responsible for the process leading to the nomination and consecration of a new bishop. Nominees for the Standing Committee should be persons who are interested in the ordination process and the life of ordained ministry and can respond to questions relating to approvals sought by other dioceses and concerning our own diocesan structure. Nominees, if elected, must be willing to understand and work within the canons of both the diocese and the Episcopal Church. Each lay nominee must be an active, adult, confirmed communicant in good standing in his/her own congregation and should be a faithful believer who is committed to the Lord and has been in the Diocese long enough to know the workings of the Diocese and its individuals, conditions and situations, and has been supportive of the work of the church even though the nominee may disagree with some decisions. Each clerical nominee must be canonically resident in the diocese, either parochial or non-parochial and should have been in the Diocese long enough to know the workings of the Diocese and its individuals, conditions and situations, and should be one who has been supportive of the work of the church and who does so in his/her present position, even though the nominee may disagree with some decisions. The Standing Committee meets about ten times a year for two to three hours each. No member of the Standing Committee who has served any part of the term for which such member was elected by the Convention shall be eligible for re-election to the Standing Committee until an interval of one (1) year has elapsed.

Continuing members are the Rev. Dcn. Becky Brooks (2019), Susie Watkins (2019), the Rev. Michael Delk, and Dr. John H. Shelby. One presbyter and one layperson will be elected for three-year terms to replace the Rev. Rich Martindale and Jan Funk, and one presbyter will be elected for a one-year term to replace the Rev. Dr. Bill Brosend.

The following presbyter(s) has been nominated for one three-year term:

The Rev. Benjamin Hart
The Rev. Benjamin Hart is a priest serving at St. Matthew’s, Louisville as the Director of Congregational life. He has been at St. Matthew’s for two and a half years and a part of the diocese for thirty years. Previously Hart was the Assistant Rector at Grace Church, Paducah. He has served as a member of Trustees and Council and the Department of Mission and Evangelism.
The following layperson(s) have been nominated for one three-year term:

**Mike Risley**
Mike Risley has been a communicant of St. Matthew’s, Louisville for twenty years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. He has served at St. Matthew’s as a Sunday school teacher and on their committee to update by-laws. On the diocesan level, Risley is church attorney for the diocese and has previously served on the Diocesan Disciplinary Board. In the community, he is General Counsel to the Better Business Bureau of Louisville and Western Kentucky. He is an attorney at Stites & Harbison.

**Susan Sauls**
Susan Sauls has been a communicant of St. Paul’s, Henderson for forty years and a part of the diocese for seventy years. She is currently Senior Warden, the chair of the St. Ann’s Guild, member of the Daughters of the King, choir member, lay reader, and chair of the Diocesan Convention Committee. Sauls is also a member of the diocesan Commission on Ministry and previously served on the Budget Committee. In the community, she is the chair of the Henderson Civil Service Commission, member of the Rotary Club, and member of the Mayor’s Advisory Committee on Recycling. She is the Executive Director of the Volunteer and Information Center in Henderson.

**Trustees, the Bishop Dudley Memorial Trust:**
The Board of Trustees of the Bishop Dudley Memorial Trusts is a semi-independent, non-profit corporation which has charge of all money, funds and property of every kind and description, now held or which may hereafter be contributed, for the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese, including when entrusted to its care the Episcopal residence or residences. The board of directors of the corporation consists of nine (9) Trustees who are elected for terms of three (3) years each. The Trustees are responsible for the investment of endowment and other funds and for the expenditure of income thereof for the support of the Episcopate according to the requirements of the Canons of the Diocese and the charter of the corporation as amended. Each nominee should have substantial understanding of and experience with financial and investment matters and be willing to attend quarterly meetings with the other Trustees and with representatives of the Louisville-based financial institution which the Trustees select to manage the funds of the Trust. No member who has served for any part of an elected term shall be eligible for re-election until an interval of one (1) year has elapsed.

The following laypersons have been nominated for three three-year terms:

**Bill Allbritten**
Bill Allbritten has been a communicant of St. John’s, Murray for forty-three years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. He currently serves his congregation through Pastoral Care Transportation and as Coffee Hour Host, lector, counter, and photographer. Allbritten serves the diocese on Trustees and Council, the Mental Health Task Force, Mission Funding, and the Budget Committee. At St. John’s he previously served on their parish hall Building Committee, and in the community he is a member of the Rotary Club. He is retired from his position as Director of the Counseling and Testing Center at Murray State University.

**Alex Campbell**
Alex Campbell has been a communicant of The Church of the Advent, Louisville for four years and has been a part of the diocese for thirty-six years. He currently serves the diocese as a member of the Kohler Family Scholarship Fund and an advisor to the Board of Trustees for the Woodcock Foundation. Campbell was previously Senior Warden of a former parish and has been a trustee and president of the Bishop Dudley Memorial Fund. He is a retired partner for Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs in Louisville.

**David Eager**
David Eager has been a communicant of St. Francis in the Fields for thirty-three years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. He currently serves his congregation as a member of the Vestry, Finance Committee, Speakers Committee, Greeter, and Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Eager serves the community on the Board of Directors of the Bluecoats of Kentucky and as a representative member of the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce. He is the Executive Director of Kentucky Retirement Systems.

**John H. Henderson**
John Henderson has been a communicant of St. Paul’s, Henderson for six years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. He is currently on the Vestry at St. Paul’s. Henderson previously served as a trustee for the Bishop Dudley Memorial Trust and serves his community as Director of St. Anthony’s Hospice, Commissioner of the Henderson Water Utility, and Director at the Henderson Family YMCA. He is an attorney with Stoll, Keenon, Ogden, PLLC.

**Bev Weis**
Bev Weis has been a communicant of St. Matthew’s, Louisville for twenty-seven years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. She currently serves her congregation as a food pantry volunteer, and has previously been on the Outreach Committee, Vestry, Vestry Clerk, a
volunteer Financial Assistant, Habitat for Humanity Fundraiser & Meals Committee, Children’s Committee, Calling Committee, a driver/chaperone of a Youth Mission Trip, and vestment maker. Weis serves her community as a member of the Quilt Guild, making quilts for Hosparus, and is a weekly volunteer in the NICU at Norton Children’s Hospital. She is a retired accountant.

**Trustees, the University of the South:**
Pursuant to the Charter of the University of the South, the Diocese is entitled to one (1) clerical and two (2) lay positions on the Board of the University. The persons elected to this position will be part of the ultimate policy-making body of the University of the South, which includes the college, St. Luke’s Seminary and St. Andrew’s-Sewanee. Each person nominated as a Trustee should be willing to learn about the university, to represent it faithfully to the church in Kentucky and be willing to support its programs. Trustees are expected to attend one midweek meeting at the University in the fall of the year; they are not reimbursed for travel or lodging expenses. Additionally, each Trustee is expected to make an annual, personal financial contribution to the University.

Continuing members are the Rev. Dcn. Dr. Michael Vollman (2019) and Stephanie R. Miller (2020). One layperson person is to be elected for a three-year term to replace Mark Richard.

**The following laypersons have been nominated for one three-year term:**

**Stephen B. Ellis**
Stephen B. Ellis has been a communicant of St. Matthew’s, Louisville for thirty-one years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. In the diocese, he serves as treasurer of St. Luke’s Chapel at the Episcopal Church Home. Ellis is retired as a professor at Hanover College in Hanover, Indiana.

**Leslie Newman**
Leslie Newman has been a communicant of St. Paul’s, Henderson for forty-eight years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. She currently serves her congregation as Youth Director, lay reader, and chalice bearer. Newman is on the diocesan Committee on Canons and is a Trustee for the University of the South. She has previously been a choir member at St. Paul’s and as a trustee for the University of the South has been chair of the Community Relations Committee and the Development Committee and has been a member of the Nominations, Elections, Credentials Committee and the New Trustee Orientation Committee. She serves her community as a member of the Board of Directors of the American Lung Association, Henderson Community College Foundation, Henderson County Public Library, 51st Judicial District Community Corrections, Henderson County ASAP, and Friends of John James Audubon State Park, Henderson Songfest, Inc. and is a member of the Partnership of Women
Disciplinary Board for Ecclesiastical Discipline:
The process and procedure for ecclesiastical discipline in the Diocese is prescribed in Title IV of the Canons of the General Convention and Diocesan Canon 29. Title IV as revised by General Convention 2009 creates a hybrid mediation and hearing model whose stated purposes include efforts to “resolve conflicts by promoting healing, repentance, forgiveness, restitution, amendment of life and reconciliation among all involved or affected by” alleged Clergy misconduct. Diocesan Canon 29 creates a Disciplinary Board of seven members, four Clergy and three lay, which functions through panels to mediate, and if necessary, try alleged violations of clerical standards of conduct which are prescribed in the Canons of the General Convention. All members elected to serve on the Disciplinary Board should be emotionally mature and intelligent individuals who are capable of understanding and evaluating evidence and can be expected to be fair-minded and objective when considering alleged violations and can appreciate the needs of the Church, the vulnerabilities of the victim or complainant and the defenses presented by respondent Clergy. Because our Diocese and the Diocese of Lexington have elected to share resources if needed, members of the Disciplinary Board in our Diocese may be called upon to serve in a similar capacity during a Title IV proceeding in the Diocese of Lexington. Existing members of the Disciplinary Board may be reelected for up to three successive terms of three years each after which such a member shall not be eligible for further election for at least one year after the end of his or her third consecutive term; members of the Standing Committee are not canonically disqualified from serving on the Board.

Continuing members are the Rev. Dcn. Kellie Mysinger (2019), the Rev. Anne Vouga (2019), the Rev. Dcn. Michael Vollman (2020), and Judy Fischer (2020). One clergyperson (deacon or presbyter) and two laypersons will be elected for three-year terms to replace the Rev. Ben Sanders, Barbara Mather Cobb, and Tom Noe.

The following clergypersons have been nominated for one three-year term:

The Rev. Dcn. Harvey Roberts
Harvey Roberts is a deacon at St. Matthew’s, Louisville and has been a part of the diocese for twenty-five years. At St. Matthew’s he currently serves as Director of Outreach Ministries and is a member of the Ad Hoc Committee on Social Justice Ministries. Roberts was previously a member of the Vestry at St. Thomas, Louisville, serving as both Senior and Junior Warden. In the community, he is a board member of St. Matthew’s Area Ministries. He is retired from a position as a Senior Software Engineer with Capstone Corporation.
The Rev. Ben Sanders
Ben Sanders is the Rector Emeritus of Calvary, Louisville and has served that congregation and been a part of the diocese for thirty-seven years. He currently is the Chair of the Disciplinary Board and serves the community as a member and volunteer of Gilda’s Club of Kentuckiana. He is a retired priest.

The following laypersons have been nominated for two three-year terms:

Barbara Mather Cobb
Barbara Mather Cobb has been a communicant of St. John’s, Murray for fifteen years and a part of the diocese for the same length of time. She is currently the Construction Committee Chair at St. John’s and serves on the diocesan Disciplinary Board. She has previously served her congregation on the Vestry and as Senior Warden and on the Building Committee. Cobb serves her community as the Director of Shakespeare in the Schools teaching collaborative. He is the Coordinator of Academic Advising and Professor of English at Murray State University.

Martha Blair “Marti” Harrison
Marti Harrison has been a communicant of Christ Church, Bowling Green for three years and a part of the diocese, previously at St. Andrew’s, Glasgow, for more than forty years. She is currently in the choir at Christ Church and previously served as Bishop’s Warden, Altar Guild Chair, Treasurer, and Discernment Committee member at St. Andrew’s. Harrison serves her community as a member of the Education Committee of the Kentucky District Judges’ Association, Secretary of the Southern Kentucky Choral Society Board, and Treasurer of the Auxiliary to VFW Post 5712. She is Judge of the 49th Judicial District of Kentucky.

Cathedral Chapter Representative:
The articles of incorporation of Christ Church Cathedral authorize the Convention to elect three (3) Diocesan Representatives to serve as voting members of the Cathedral’s Chapter (vestry) for terms of three (3) years of each. Nominees must be either a presbyter or deacon canonically resident in the Diocese, or an adult, confirmed communicant in good standing of a congregation other than the congregation of Christ Church Cathedral, in union with the Convention of the Diocese of Kentucky. Nominees who are elected are expected to attend meetings and functions of the Chapter and offer perspectives of the Diocese at large during the Chapter’s deliberations. Elected representatives are not eligible to serve as Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer or Secretary of the Chapter.

Continuing members are James Moody (2019) and Sara Ceresa (2020). One person (lay or clergy) will be elected for a three-year term to replace Laura Muhlenberg.
The following person has been nominated for one three-year term:

Bill Bond

Bill Bond has been a communicant of St. Matthew’s, Louisville for ten years and a part of the diocese for nineteen years. He currently serves as the building and grounds specialist at St. Matthew’s and has previously been Senior Warden, Junior Warden, and a member of the diocesan Standing Committee. In the community, Bond is townhouse association president and member of the Actors Theatre Associates. He is Director of Business Affairs of the Environmental Defense Fund.

Secretary of the Diocese:
A Secretary of the Diocese is elected immediately upon the opening of a Convention for a term that begins at the end of that meeting and ends with the next “stated meeting of Convention.” Canon 9 describes numerous responsibilities for the Secretary, starting with attending the Convention and all meetings of Trustees and Council and its Executive Committee and verifying the minutes of these meetings. The secretary is expected to verify official documents, publish the annual Journal of the Diocese, perform a number of additional duties throughout the year of service, and gather advance reports from congregations in preparation for the next Diocesan Convention. The Canon authorizes the Secretary to request the appointment of an assistant. One person will be elected for a one-year term.

The current secretary is Kay Shields Wilkinson.

The following person has been nominated for one one-year position:

Kay Shields Wilkinson

Kay Shields Wilkinson has been a communicant of Christ Church Cathedral, Louisville, and a part of the diocese for 51 years. At the Cathedral, Wilkinson serves as treasurer, as a member of the chapter, the archives committee and the endowment corporation. In the diocese, she serves as secretary and registrar and as a member of the executive committee. In the community, she serves as historian for the Louisville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. She is a CPA, recently retired from Blue and Co., LLC.