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Proceedings

45th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon **Proceedings**

The Kingdom of God is at Hand

Hosts of Convention: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, The Dalles

Presiding: The Rt. Rev. Bavi "Nedi" Rivera, Bishop

Friday, October 16, 2015

Friday events were held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in The Dalles, Oregon. Registration was held from 3:00–6:30 p.m. in the narthex. A taco bar was offered from 4:30 to 6:30 in Tayler Hall. The annual meeting of the Eastern Oregon Episcopal Foundation preceded the Convention meetings at 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the St. Paul's Common Room. A meeting of the parish coordinators for Episcopal Relief and Development with Diocesan ERD Coordinator, Bruce Barnes, followed in the nave from 4:30–5:15 p.m. The Foundation Trustees met following the Foundation annual meeting from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the Common Room.

2016 Budget Review

An optional budget review session was conducted by Jerry Frazier, Treasurer, in the in Tayler Hall from 6:30 to 7:30.

<u>Program Session I:</u> The Gospel of St. Mark, presented by Tom Bair

At 7:30 p.m., the people gathered in the nave of St. Paul's and Bishop Nedi opened Convention by welcoming Convention attendees. She thanked Dewanda Clark, Chair of the Convention Committee at St. Paul's, and all of the members of that committee, as well as diocesan staff for their work in preparing for this year's convention. Bishop Nedi then introduced Tom Bair, a friend of hers and actor from New York City, who presented a dramatic reading of the Gospel of St. Mark, set in present day Central Park, NY.

Saturday, October 17, 2015

Saturday morning and afternoon sessions were held at Calvary Baptist Church in The Dalles, OR. Registration of late arrivals continued from 7:30-8:00 a.m.

Worship

Convention reconvened at 8:00 a.m. with a special Morning Prayer led by Doug Harder and dedicated to the remembrance of former Bishop of Eastern Oregon, The Rt. Rev. Rustin Kimsey. Gretchen Kimsey introduced a special video about the Eucharist, created by Bishop Kimsey over 40 years ago. Copies of the video were given to convention attendees.

Business Session I

Call to Order

Bishop Nedi called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and asked Doug Harder, Secretary of Convention, to report on quorum. Doug reported that a quorum in the lay order, in the clergy order, and a quorum of parishes were represented.

Greetings

Bishop Nedi read greetings from the Presiding Bishop's Office and the Domestic and Foreign Milssionary Society (DFMS)

Welcome

Bishop Nedi welcomed attendees and visitors and once again introduced the chair of the Host Committee, Dewanda Clark, and asked all committee members from St. Paul's Episcopal Church, The Dalles to stand as well as co-Senior Wardens Diane Adams and Don Dickinson. She also welcomed special guests to the convention; Richard Felton, The Episcopal Network for Stewardship; Jayce Hafner, Domestic Policy Analyst for TEC; Zach Peterson, Church Pension Group; Jan Elfers, Interim Director of Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon (EMO) (who would arrive for the afternoon session), The Rev. Dcn. Tom English, Prison Ministry Coordinator for the Diocese of Oregon and Tom Bair, actor and workshop leader from New York.

Committees

Bishop Nedi introduced the following Standing Committee and Diocesan Council members and asked them to stand:

Charlie Cagle Standing Committee-class of 2016
 The Rev. Anna Carmichael Standing Committee-class of 2016
 Kim McClain Standing Committee-class of 2017

-	The Rev. Jed Holdorph	Standing Committee-class of 2017
-	Randy Heise	Diocesan Council-class of 2016
-	Beth Spell	Diocesan Council-class of 2016
-	The Rev. Kathy Macek	Diocesan Council-class of 2016
-	Bill Taylor	Diocesan Council-class of 2017
-	Marjorie Thelen	Diocesan Council-class of 2017
-	The Rev. Dcn. Georgia Giacobbe	Diocesan Council-class of 2017

A special thank you was given to outgoing members:

-	Ann Havill	Standing Committee-class of 2015
-	The Rev. Ted Rodrigues	Standing Committee-class of 2015
-	Doug Boone	Diocesan Council-class of 2015
-	Karla Nash	Diocesan Council-class of 2015
-	The Rev. Dan Lediard	Diocesan Council-class of 2015

Doug Harder introduced the following Convention Committees

Nomination Committee

- Ann Havill
- The Rev. Ted Rodrigues
- Karla Nash
- The Rev. Dan Lediard

Nominations would be accepted until 5:00pm on Saturday.

Resolutions Committee

- Doug Harder
- Fabian Baker
- Kim McClain
- The Rev. Anna Carmichael
- Ann Marie Hardin
- Jim Spell

<u>Tellers</u>

The Resolutions Committee also served as tellers for convention.

Clergy and Staff Transitions

Bishop Nedi introduced the following people who were beginning new positions in the diocese:

- The Rev. Kathrine Brick, Ordained as a Lutheran pastor in the spring, she is rector/pastor of St. Mark's Episcopal Church + Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Madras, Oregon.
- The Rev. John Collins, ordained as a priest in the spring and now serving at both Trinity Episcopal Church in Bend and Church of the Transfiguration in Sisters, Oregon.
- Makenzie Dyer, the new administrative assistant for EDEO and Ascension School in Cove, Oregon.
- The Rev. Jack Coffey, a Lutheran pastor serving as Interim Rector at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Klamath Falls, Oregon.
- The Rev. Charlotte Wells, new rector at Church of the Redeemer in Pendleton, Oregon. (not present)
- The Rev. Jim Mosier, new Prison Ministry Coordinator for EDEO.

Bishop Nedi introduced the following people who had ended their service to the diocese in the past year:

- The Rev. Jim Mosier, retired from St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Ontario, Oregon.
- The Rev. Roger Williams, retired from St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Nyssa, Oregon.
- The Rev. Martha Hurlburt, retired from St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Klamath Falls, Oregon.
- The Rev. Alison Dingley, retired from Church of the Redeemer in Pendleton, Oregon.
- Angela Gorham, former Communications Director for EDEO.
- The Rev. Dcn. Doug Jerome, outgoing Prison Ministry Coordinator.

<u>2016 Proposed Budget – First Reading</u>

Bishop Nedi introduced Jerry Frazier, Diocesan Treasurer. He reviewed the proposed budget for 2016.

Resolutions

Bishop Nedi called on Doug Harder, Chair of the Resolutions Committee, to present the resolutions.

Prison Ministry Commission Resolution

Submitted by: Resolutions Committee
On behalf of the Reverend James Mosier

Rationale:

The 78th General Convention of The Episcopal Church held June 25 – July 3, 2015 at the Salt Palace Convention Center in Salt Lake City, passed several resolutions on the issues of comprehensive criminal justice reform and is a complex subject with many components at the federal, state, and local levels of government that intersect with the ministry and advocacy of The Episcopal Church in its focus on the Marks of Mission, especially Marks 3 and 4 (To respond to human need by loving service; and To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind, and to pursue peace and reconciliation). The General Convention has long committed the Church to work on criminal justice reform, and it is timely to do this work in concert with our partners.

Individuals and congregations in our diocese have for many years sponsored and supported a number of ministries to adults and youth both in and leaving Oregon jails, prisons, and other correctional facilities. However, these ministries have tended to be individual efforts that would benefit from the support of a Commission at the diocesan level. The Prison Ministry Commission of the Diocese of (Western) Oregon is seeking to provide visitations, community support and advocacy to the approximate 40% of prisoners in all of Oregon Adult prisons and jails who receive limited or no such support. Almost half of the adult correctional facilities operated by the Oregon Department of Corrections are located in the Diocese of Eastern Oregon. Therefore, the Western Oregon Prison Ministry Commission is seeking to coordinate efforts with the Diocese of Eastern Oregon in promoting criminal justice reform.

WHEREAS, the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon (EDEO) is urged to continue to serve Christ by helping to create environments of hope and healing for prisoners, victims, families, correctional staff and communities; and

WHEREAS, this Convention joins with others of good will, especially other religious communities in Oregon, to work toward improvements in both public understanding and government policy in the administration of criminal justice in Oregon; and

WHEREAS, this Convention urges EDEO to seek greater understanding, and compassionate engagement with those touched by crime: victims, criminals, public servants, and their family members, especially those who suffer.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: this Convention authorizes the creation of a Prison Ministry Commission to be appointed by the bishop; and be it further resolved that this Standing Commission is authorized and encouraged to collaborate and fully engage with the Diocese of Oregon in these efforts.

Possible Collaborative Criminal Justice Efforts 45th Annual Diocesan Convention The Dalles, Oregon – October 16-18, 2015

The 78th General Convention encourages each congregation and Diocese to undertake at least one specific initiative aimed at addressing the destructive consequences of the mass incarceration system. These initiatives include such possibilities as:

- 1. Advocating for alternatives to incarceration for those who are addicted and increased funding for treatment programs.
- 2. Advocating for alternatives to incarceration for those who are mentally ill and increased funding for treatment programs.
- 3. Advocating for protection of the civil rights and provision of appropriate support and accommodation for people with disabilities who are arrested and incarcerated.
- 4. Advocating for funding for job training and apprentice programs for those who are at risk of incarceration and those who are formerly released from prison.
- 5. Working with local businesses to create pathways to living wage jobs for formerly incarcerated people.
- 6. Establishing mentoring and accompaniment programs for those leaving prison.
- 7. Advocating for the repeal of mandatory-minimum sentences for nonviolent offenses.
- 8. Calling for the abolition of the sentencing disparity between crack-cocaine and powder-cocaine offenses and as an intermediate step urging the U.S. Congress, in accordance with the recommendation of the U.S. Sentencing Commission, to make retroactive the 2010 Fair Sentencing Act which reduces the disparity in sentencing from previous levels.
- 9. Advocating eliminating "three strikes" sentencing protocols.
- 10. Joining local "Ban the Box" campaigns to remove questions about arrest records in on-line and written job application forms.
- 11. Opposing the creation of "for profit" prisons and immigration detention centers and organizing against guaranteed nightly numbers of prisoners and detainees, and advocate_for access to education and rehabilitation programs for those being incarcerated or detained.
- 12. Reforming monetary bail bond systems which rely upon unlicensed and unregulated bail bond agents and on conditioning release from pre-trial incarceration solely on the ability to pay.
- 13. Advocating for return of the right to vote for those who have served their sentences and left prison.
- 14. Calling for the exploration and creation of restorative justice programs to transform juvenile justice systems.

M/S/C Approval of the "Prison Ministry Commission Resolution" as presented.

Alcohol affects us all Resolution

Submitted by: Diocesan Council & Resolutions Committee

Rationale:

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Recognizing that the "Episcopal National Policy on Alcohol and Drug Abuse" adopted by the 68th General Convention at Anaheim, California in 1985, is in need of revision and updating, a committee was tasked with offering practical recommendations on addressing these issues in the church, as well as initiating a process of discussion of the "hidden problem" of addiction that affects many Episcopalians.

These efforts are hastened in response to the arrest of a suffragan bishop who struck and killed a cyclist while driving her car in an intoxicated state. The General Convention recommends that dioceses and congregations now ensure an update of their policies.

WHEREAS, the proper use of food and beverages containing alcohol reflects God's gifts; and the misuse of God's gifts detracts from the human capabilities of clear thinking and responsible action; and

WHEREAS, numerous individuals may be afflicted by intemperate or uncontrollable use of alcohol;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the following guidelines shall be the policy for the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon (EDEO) and congregations herein:

Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon Alcohol and Substance Abuse Policy

- 1. EDEO must provide a safe and welcoming environment for all people, including people in recovery.
- 2. All applicable federal, state and local laws should be obeyed, including those governing the serving of alcoholic beverages to minors.
- 3. EDEO and our congregations may decide not to serve alcohol at events or gatherings. Others may decide to permit a limited use of alcoholic beverages at church-sponsored events. Both can be appropriate if approached mindfully.
- 4. When alcohol is served, it must be monitored and those showing signs of intoxication must not be served. Whenever alcohol is served, the rector, vicar, or priest-in-charge must appoint an adult to oversee its serving. That adult must not drink alcoholic beverages during the time of his or her execution of his or her responsibilities. If hard liquor is served, a certified server is required.
- 5. Serving alcoholic beverages at congregational events where minors are present is strongly discouraged. If minors are present, alcohol must be served at a separate station that is monitored at all times to prevent underage drinking.
- 6. Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages must be clearly labeled as such. Food prepared with alcohol does not need to be labeled provided the alcohol is completely evaporated by the cooking process; however, it is recommended that even in this case the use of alcohol in cooking be noted on a label.
- 7. Whenever alcohol is served, appealing non-alcoholic alternatives must always be offered with equal prominence and accessibility.
- 8. The serving of alcoholic beverages at church events should not be publicized as the primary attraction of the event, e.g. "wine and cheese reception," "cocktail party," and "beer and wine tasting."
- 9. Ministries inside or outside of congregations will make certain that alcohol consumption is not the focus of the ministry and that drinking alcohol is not an exclusively normative activity. Food must be served when alcohol is present.
- 10. The groups or organizations sponsoring the activity or event at which alcoholic beverages are served must have permission from the clergy or the vestry. Such groups or organizations must also assume responsibility for those persons who might become intoxicated and must provide alternative transportation for anyone whose capacity to drive may be impaired. Consulting with liability insurance carriers is advised.
- 11. Recognizing the effects of alcohol as a mood-altering drug, alcoholic beverages shall not be served when the business of the Church is being conducted.
- 12. Clergy shall consecrate an appropriate amount of wine when celebrating the Eucharist and perform ablutions in a way that does not foster or model misuse. Clergy are encouraged to acknowledge the efficacy of receiving the sacrament in one kind and may consider providing non-alcoholic wine.
- 13. EDEO will review & implement recommendations from the House of Bishops regarding questioning ordinands at the very beginning of the discernment process about addiction and substance us in their lives and family systems. [Note: The bishops have created a task force to review and advise policy on substance abuse addiction and recovery.]

M/S/C Approval to table the "Alcohol Affects us All "resolution pending amendments.

Ascension School Advisory Board Resolution Revision to Canon IV Section 7 (a)

Submitted by: Diocesan Council & Resolutions Committee On behalf of the Ascension School Advisory Board

Rationale:

The Diocesan Council (hereafter Council) is required to be involved in any financial decisions made by the Ascension School Advisory Board (hereafter Board) regarding capital expenditures at Ascension School.

Whereas, the Board believes that a Council member, acting as liaison between the Board and Council, is especially important during the building phase of Ascension's capital improvements and would be beneficial in general;

Therefore, be it resolved that Canon IV, Section 7 (a) of the Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon be amended to read (emendation underlined):

There shall be a minimum of 9 members, <u>at least one whom shall be a current member of</u> Diocesan Council.

M/S/C

Approval of the "Ascension School Advisory Board Resolution" as presented.

Doug Harder announced that there was one resolutions presented after the deadline for submission. Each resolutions needs a 2/3 majority vote to be considered. If approved they would be added to the Sunday morning agenda. The submittal of the resolution was approved and Doug read the resolution from the podium.

M/S/C

Approval to add the Resolution on the closing of St. Paul's, Nyssa to the 2015 EDEO Convention Agenda

Resolution on St Paul's, Nyssa

Submitted by: Diocesan Council & Standing Committee
On behalf of the people of St. Paul's, Nyssa

Explanation:

The wonderful and faithful people from St. Paul's, Nyssa have been in conversation in the past several months and have made a difficult decision. They have made good use of the property, but have concluded that they have done all that they can and decided that it is time for the Episcopal Dioceses of Eastern Oregon to take back responsibility of it.

Whereas, the people of St. Paul's, Nyssa, can no longer sustain a congregation, and there is no priest to serve them regularly; and

Whereas, the Standing Committee approved this request at their meeting on September 19, 2015 and the entire Diocesan Council voted to approve via an on-line vote on September 28, 2015 and move the matter to the floor of this convention for affirmation; and

Whereas, the work of Diocesan Council in 2016 and beyond will be determining the best use for this property;

Therefore, be it resolved that this convention affirms the decision of the people of St. Paul's, Nyssa, to close the parish and the future care of the land and building will come under the purview of the Bishop and Standing Committee until its future use can be determined.

Doug then reminded everyone that any other new resolutions submitted from the floor must be given to the Resolutions Committee and will require a 2/3 vote in order to be considered.

Break

Convention recessed at 9:45 for a short break and reconvened at 10:00.

General Convention Report

Bishop Nedi called The Rev. Ted Rodrigues, Chair of the General Convention Delegates to the podium to give a report on General Convention 2015. Ted introduced and called to the podium the delegation:

- The Rev. Janet Warner
- The Rev. Kathy Macek
- The Rev. Nancy McGrath Sargent Green
- The Rev. Anna Carmichael
- Doug Harder
- Helen Keefe
- Peggy Ziegler
- Ann Havil (not present)
- Terry Rahmsdorff

Ted gave a brief report and each delegate as well as Bishop Nedi spoke about what stood out to them from their experience. Questions were taken from the audience.

Bishop's Address

Bishop Nedi presented her address to Convention at 10:25 a.m. The text of the address will be found following these minutes in the pages of the Convention Journal.

Convention recessed following announcements at 11:00am.

Workshops

Following a break, Convention reconvened in three sessions of workshops from 11:45 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Workshops included: *Treasurer's Workshop*, led by Jerry Frazier and Randy Heise; *EDEO Archive Project* and *Archive Tours* led by Matt Carmichael; *The Power of Generosity* and *Strengthening Your Parish's Future*, led by Richard Felton, TENS; *The Gospel of St. Mark Discussion*, led by Tom Bair; *Make It and Take It to the World*, led by Kathy Thew and Beth Spell; *Faith and Divestment*, led by Kim McClain; *Church Next*, led by Ann Marie Hardin; *Celebrating Diversity*, led by The Celebrating Diversity Commission; *Prison Ministry*, led by the Rev. Dcn. Tom English; *Facebook Basics*, led by Makenzie Dyer; and *Small Church in Eastern Oregon* led by The Rev. Willa Goodfellow.

Lunch was served at 12:00.

Banquet

The Banquet was held at The Discovery Center in The Dalles. Entertainment was provided by Rule Beasley and Lloyd Walworth.

Sunday, October 18, 2015

Sunday's events were all held at the St. Paul's Episcopal Church, in The Dalles, Oregon.

Morning Prayer

Morning Prayer was held at 7:30 in the Common Room at St. Paul's.

Business Session II

The business meeting of Convention reconvened in Tayler Hall at 8:00 a.m. with morning devotions, including The Canticle of Eastern Oregon and a slide show depicting the ways in which The Kingdom of God is at Hand in the parishes of Eastern Oregon.

Bishop Search Report

Bishop Nedi introduced The Rev. John Collins, chair of the Bishop Search Committee and The Rev. Anna Carmichael, president of Standing Committee who gave a report on the current status of the search for EDEO's next bishop.

The Rev. John Collin's introduced the members of the Search Committee:

- The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake, Baker City
- The Rev. Katy Anderson, Heppner
- The Rev. Dcn. Marilyn Roth, The Dalles
- Fabian Baker, Klamath Falls
- Julie Reynolds, Canyon City
- Arlene Ullman, Bend
- Terry Rahmsdorff, Bend
- Janet Warner, Chaplain, Prineville

He reported that there would be a retreat with the final committee choices on October 22-25th at Ascension School.

The Rev. Anna Carmichael introduced the Transition Committee members:

- The Rev. Kathy Macek
- The Rev. Roy Green
- Charlie Cagle
- Ruth Tsu

Anna reported on the process once the nominees are chosen by the Search Committee. There will be a "walkabout" and all the candidates will travel together and visit each convocation. The slate of nominees and schedule for the walkabout will be sent out the week of October 26th. The electing convention will be held at Church of the Redeemer in Pendleton on December 12th.

Elections and Confirmations

Ecclesiastical Disciplinary Board:

Intake Officer: The Rev. Rich Landrith Class of 2018: The Rev. Jim Mosier

Arnold Coe

M/S/C Approval of the appointment of The Rev. Rich Landrith as Intake Officer and The

Rev. Jim Mosier and Arnold Coe to the Ecclesiastical Disciplinary Board, Class of

2018

Commission on Ministry

Class of 2018: The Rev. Jan Kozak

The Rev. John Collins

Diane Adams

M/S/C Approval of the appointment of Diane Adams, The Rev. John Collins, and The Rev.

Jan Kozak to the Commission on Ministry, Class of 2018.

Standing Committee-Clergy

The Rev. Nancy McGrath Sargent Green was elected by unanimous ballot to the Standing Committee, Class of 2018.

Standing Committee-Lay

Julie Reynolds was elected by unanimous ballot to the Standing Committee, Class of 2018.

Diocesan Council-Clergy

The Rev. Aletha Bonebrake was elected by unanimous ballot to the Diocesan Council Class of 2018.

Diocesan Council-Lay

Karla Nash and Vicki Mosier were elected by unanimous ballot to the Diocesan Council, Class of 2018.

Budget Second Reading

Jerry Frazier presented the 2016 EDEI budget for approval.

M/S/C

Approval of the 2016 Diocesan Budget.

Reports

Ascension School Camp and Conference Center

Bishop Nedi introduced Patty Olson-Lindsey, Executive Director of Ascension School Camp and Conference Center. Patty gave a short report about 2015's summer camp season, as well as a power point presentation highlighting some of the summer's staff and volunteers. She briefly discussed the success of the Capital Campaign, and the improvements that have been made so far as well as the plans for the new building.

Episcopal Relief and Development

Bishop Nedi introduced Bruce Barnes, EDEO's Episcopal Relief and Development Coordinator to present his report to convention. Bruce briefly updated convention on the status of The Carry the Water campaign. He also announced that Ellen Nesbitt will now be the assistance coordinator for EDEO.

Resolutions

Doug Harder presented the St. Paul's Nyssa resolution for a vote by convention.

M/S/C

Approval of the "St. Paul's, Nyssa Resolution" as presented.

Doug presented an amended version of the "Alcohol Affects Us All Resolution" to convention:

Resolution title: "Alcohol affects us all."

Submitted by: Diocesan Council & Resolutions Committee

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M/S/C Approval of the "Alcohol Affects us All Resolution" as amended.

Recognitions

Bishop Nedi presented the following people with Bishop's Crosses in recognition for their many years of serves to and for the Diocese of Eastern Oregon:

The Rev. Rebecca Hendricks
Jerry Frazier
Patty Olson-Lindsey
The Rev. Robert Moore

Courtesy Resolutions

Ann Marie Hardin brought the following Courtesy Resolutions to the floor:

Be it resolved that the attendees of the 45th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon give thanks to the congregation of St. Paul's in The Dalles for their generous hospitality.

Greetings are sent to our Presiding Bishop Katherine Jefferts Shori, to Presiding Bishop Elect Michael Curry and to Bishop Bill Gregg.

Our thanks are given to co=Sr. Wardens Diane Adams and Don Dickinson, the Convention Planning Committee Chair, Dewanda Clark, and their committee members. We thank the Calvary Baptist Church and The Discovery Center for comfortable and welcoming meeting spaces.

Heartfelt thanksgivings are offered to Tom Bair, who shared with us love and passion for the Gospel of Mark, and showed us a new way to envision the sacred story; to Gretchen Kimsey, who shared with us memories of Bishop Rustin Kimsey and gifted us with the treasure of his voice and words; and to Rick Felton who words we will hear later today.

Our prayers are offered for the Rev. Deacon Sherry Hartley and the Rev. Nancy McGrath Sargent Green. May the be granted healing grace and patience during recovery.

We offer blessings to the people of St. Paul's of Nyssa.

Be it further resolved that we thank those who shared their knowledge with us: Jerry Frazier, Matt Carmichael, Rick Felton, Tom Bair, Kathy Thew, Beth Spell, Kim McClain, Ann Marie Hardin, Ruth Tsu, Tom English, Makenzie Dyer; and to those who came to share with us in more informal ways, Jayce Hafner, our Diocesan Partner Representative to TEC and Zach Peterson of the Church Pension Group, Willis Moore, and Homer Bozarth.

Be it resolved that we leave this convention secure in the faith and knowledge that the Kingdom of God is indeed at Hand and rejoicing in the power of God's abiding Spirit.

<u>Unfinished Business</u>

Patty Olson-Lindsey awarded the Ascension School Banner to St. Peter's in La Grande for their dedication to Ascension School and its campers. The Rev. Kathy Macek accepted the banner.

Time and Place of Convention

Bishop Nedi announced that 46th annual Diocesan Convention will be hosted by St. Peter's Episcopal Church in La Grande, October 7-9, 2016, and that the 47th Diocesan Convention will be hosted by St Mark's Episcopal and Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Madras in 2017.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m. Convention adjourned following the Eucharist.

Convention Eucharist

The Eucharist service followed at 10:15 a.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, The Dalles. Richard Felton preached the sermon and Bishop Nedi presided. She was assisted by the clergy of the Northwest Convocation.

The service included the renewal of Baptismal Vows by all present and the Clergy renewed their Ordination Vows.

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Bishop Address The Kingdom of God Is At Hand! EDEO Convention Address 2015

Take oh take us as we are. Summon all that we should be. Set your seal upon our heart and live in us.

John Bell

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel." And passing along by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net in the sea; for they were fishermen.

And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you become fishers of men." And immediately they left their nets and followed him.

And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zeb'edee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. And immediately he called them; and they left their father Zeb'edee in the boat with the hired servants, and followed him.

Mark 1.14-20

In Mark's gospel, Jesus appears for the first time at his baptism, then he disappears into the wilderness — where he is tempted by Satan, was with wild beasts and was ministered to by angels. When the holy (crazy but holy, or perhaps crazy AND holy) John is arrested, Jesus returns from the desert and starts preaching.

He preaches: "The Kingdom of God is at hand!"

Even though the Evil One is loose in the world, even though the country is occupied by Romans, and John the Baptizer is in jail . . . the Kingdom of God is at hand – so turn around, change your life, Believe in the Good News. That is, trust God! . . . Trust God."

That's a piece of what Jesus was suggesting to the rich man in last Sunday's gospel. Give it all up — your wealth (which is not only wealth, but also a sign of God's favor, the man's identity, and his life) — give it up all of it. Come Follow Jesus.

"You can do this" Jesus teaches you and me, for as we see. . . when we follow Him, multitudes are fed with just a few loaves of bread and a couple of fishes. Because, as we see, when it seems that all is lost, Jesus will reach out His hand, and there will be new life. Abundance beyond financial wealth.

Jesus might have explained to the rich man -- (if he hadn't turned away in his sadness), abundance, or eternal life is at hand, as we reach our hands out in love.

There was a time when the church knew itself blessed by prestige, power, identity & wealth. Folks in Eastern Oregon might challenge me on wealth, but I suggest you look at our beautiful church buildings and properties for a quick claiming of our wealth. Having visited the church in

India, especially rural India, South Sudan, Central Ecuador and South Africa, I know we are wealthy beyond measure. There will always be someone who has more than we do, but we have a great wealth.

But those buildings aren't as full as they used to be. We no longer have dozens of children in our Sunday Schools. We don't have folks vying to be on Vestries. We no longer hold the moral compass in our communities. People don't know what an Episcopalian is. Many have never set foot inside a church, since weddings and funerals now happen on beaches and in parks and theatres, and we are sometimes afraid that the church is dying.

But my friends, we believe, we trust, we stake our lives on the living God.

On Jesus' resurrection. Do you remember the story of the disciples walking to Emmaus? They have left Jerusalem discouraged, crestfallen really, for Jesus has been crucified and buried. They had, in a way, sold it all and followed Jesus and now he is dead.

A stranger joins them on the journey and they talk about the events of the week. They tell him what they had hoped and how they have lost their direction. The stranger speaks to them of Scripture, of the prophets and then joins them for dinner. As he breaks the bread . . . they recognize him. They had been with him for hours and not recognized him. They had listened to his teaching but they hadn't heard his voice — because although he was present, although he was Jesus, he was with them in a new way.

It critical for us to look for the resurrected Christ at the table with us, calling us to new life. The Kingdom of God is at hand, but we don't always see it.

I was struck last night by Tom Bair's presentation of the Gospel of Mark on how many times Jesus reaches out his hand to heal. It made me think differently about our theme: the Kingdom of God is at hand.

At hand. At the reach of Jesus' hand. At the need that was before him. So often we think the Kingdom of God is in the mighty acts, in the healing itself, but what came to me and pulled the pieces together is the learning, the observation that the Kingdom of God is *in the heart of the need:* In Simon's mother-in-law, in Jairus' daughter, in blind Bartimeus and in the deaf-mute man. Sure, it is indeed in Jesus, but he shows us it to us at his hand!

Over the year, as I read commentaries on the Gospel of Mark, I noted that they make the point that this at hand stuff isn't about time, it's about space, about place. Time seems pretty airy-fairy. Space is here and now. At hand is a classroom in Condega, Nicaragua, it's in the women at new wells in Guatamala, and around the world, it's in schools in Cap Haitien, it is with folks moving through pews in Hood River filled with children's clothes, and the Kingdom of God is at hand in the hungry people who are fed in our gardens of eatin'.

I don't want to say it isn't also in our ministry and self-giving, for it is. The Kingdom of God is at hand when we work to heal the sick, feed the hungry, visit the prisoners — when we put on a country fair to raise thousands of dollars for those in need, when we support children in LaPine which is as foreign to some of us as Wau, South Sudan. Eternal life is indeed in our response to the invitation of the Kingdom of God. It comes to us in Cove when children discover unconditional love, and when counselors struggle with the deepest questions of faith.

Our hope then, my sisters and brothers, isn't in rebuilding the church of the 50's. Our hope is in God. Our life is in the Kingdom of God at the reach of our hands. That rich man I mentioned earlier – gave up on the kingdom of God – by refusing to respond to the needs of the poor. The disciples gave up everything, followed Jesus, and discovered the Kingdom of God. Perhaps we will know the Kingdom of God in our hearts when we discover our deepest hunger can only be satisfied *by OUR NEED to reach out our hands in love*.

Perhaps by making little dresses and shorts for children in Africa and Haiti, or byspending the night in a warming shelter. Cooking for the hungry. Visiting prisoners. Teaching children at Ascension School to make prayer flags or sing a new song.

Here's one of my favorite Kingdom of God stories told to me by, my friend and colleague, Richard Mammana. He was at the Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians Meeting in San Diego and told us this story which reminded me not only of Jesus' proclamation, but also of Isaiah 25:

First Lutheran Church in San Diego hosts a breakfast for the homeless each Friday morning, and its pastor invited us to attend, since our meeting took place over a Thursday and Friday. He did not tell us what to expect . . .

The Friday morning "breakfast" includes free distribution of clothing, socks and toiletries, access to shower facilities, legal assistance, basic medical help, and a generous interaction between parishioners and the homeless over the space of a few hours each week. As one says at Passover, "Dayeinu"—It would have been sufficient to assure us that the kingdom of God was manifest here in an especially vibrant way had we only seen the breakfast.

The surprise came in the announcement that there would be a wedding that morning. Two of the long-standing homeless visitors to the breakfast had joined the congregation and were expecting a child. They asked to be married, and the pastor naturally agreed. He hired a photographer, ordered a cake, signed a contract with a musician, and told the bride and groom to invite their families.

As happens so often at a wedding, something essential goes missing or wrong at the last minute. In this case, the musician didn't show up. What better than to have a group of 50 Anglican and Lutheran theologians—people who generally know their way around a hymnal—on hand for just such an occasion? We repaired to the church and brought out stacks of hymnals—and we became the impromptu choir for this wedding, the beauty of which I think I may never see again. It was a foretaste of what I know heaven will be like: the last becoming first, the unexpected guests themselves helping to host at the banquet, the lifting of young, old, healthy and sick, black, white, rich, poor, highly educated and poorly educated, clean and scruffy, hungry and full, tired and wakeful—the lifting of all of us in the embrace of a loving and living God who knows us each by name.

We need to be in Family Kitchens, on the streets of our towns, in the prisons, there – because that's where the Kingdom of God is at hand.

So here's the deal: As we look forward to calling a new bishop, it's important to remember who we are and why we are here.

We are the beloved children of God, called together to heal the world, one person at a time. That's how Jesus did it: The blind man by the side of the road, The women caught in adultery, The deaf man healed with spit and dirt, Mary Magdalene – healed of seven demons. One person at a time. One place at a time.

We have discovered, have been reminded, and have learned that it isn't our job to keep the church as we know it alive. The Church is the bride of Christ, and Christ will care for his bride. We have been baptized to make real, as Michael Curry reminded us, the Dream of God. We have been anointed to heal and be healed and thus to make the Kingdom of God visible to all.

We are a people forgiven, healed, restored, made new.

We are people who are part of the Body of Christ – with diverse and beautiful gifts, with varied and differently needy ministry locales, with assorted partnerships (with Lutherans, Presbyterians, Methodists, libraries, schools, communities and other groups as motley as our own.) We are not Christ, but we are the Body of Christ, making God's love real with and through one another.

It has been my delight to be in ministry with you for nearly seven years (time flies when you're having fun – and I've been having a lot of fun) and we have changed over those years. We have moved from fear, anger, hurt (and why do we even want a bishop) to forgiveness, gratitude and excitement about new possibilities.

We have become missional – in at least one congregation we keep track of the ministry hours both inside and *outside* the parish! We have actually grown as the Body of Christ because we don't measure tushes in pews, but we measure wealth of partnerships.

We are committed to continuing to develop partnerships – we have come to know that our congregations and EDEO itself is only a *part* in the Body of Christ.

In the Kingdom of God we know that we belong to one another for we are all in Christ.

We know, as the old song says "we will work with each other, we will walk hand in hand. We know, and live our lives in the truth that we will know eternal life as we reach our hands out to those in need and to one another.

Resurrection is about our willingness to hear and heed Jesus' call to follow him: To give away what we thought we needed to keep; to die to what was and to be raised to new life. When it's about us (will we be a stand alone diocese? Will we have enough money to do this or that?) we will flounder. When we leave our boats and follow him, we discover eternal life – the Kingdom of God that is at hand!

THE EASTERN OREGON EPISCOPAL FOUNDATION

Minutes from the EOEF Annual Meeting October 16, 2015 St Paul's, The Dalles

Present:

The Right Reverend Bavi Edn	a "Nedi" Rivera	Tru	ıstee, Chairperson
G. Royes	St. Peter's	La Grande	Absent
Jerry Frazier	St. Paul's	The Dalles	Trustee
Laurance Kerr	St. Paul's	The Dalles	Trustee
Wilmalu Tomlinson	St. James'	Milton-Freewater	Absent
Gail Hughes	All Saints	Heppner	Absent
Dave Keeler	Redeemer	Pendleton	Trustee
Don Scott	St. Alban's	Redmond	Trustee
Pat Gibson	Trinity	Bend	Trustee

Certified voting members who signed in for the Annual Meeting

1	Joel Bigelow	St. Stephens	Baker City
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۷.	Jim Spell	St. Thomas	Canyon City
3.	Carol Johnson	St. John's	Hermiston
4.	Calvin Cargill	St. Mark's	Hood River
5.	Sue Powers	St. Mark's	Madras
6.	Marty Nyman	St. James'	Milton Freewater
7.	Fred Bierig	St. Paul's	Nyssa
8.	Trina Sherman	St. Matthew's	Ontario
9.	Neva McPherson	St. Andrew's	Prineville
10	. Don Scott	St. Alban's	Redmond
11	. Mary Link	All Saints	Sunriver
12	. Janeal Booren	St. Paul's	The Dalles

Other Annual Meeting attendees (visitors are always welcome)

The Rev. Anna Carmichael	St. Mark's	Hood River
Matt Carmichael	St. Mark's	Hood River
Jean Wintermute	St. Andrew's	Prineville
Flossie Keeler	Redeemer	Pendleton

- I. Call to Order and Opening Prayer
- II. Minutes of Annual Meeting 2014 have been lost (if they were ever created.)
- III. Election of Trustees, Class of 2019
 - Outgoing members Class of 2015: Gail Hughes, Wilmalu Tomlinson & Laurance Kerr)

M/S/C Class of 2019

Joel Bigelow Janeal Booren Lawrence Kerr

M/S/C Trustees will fill a two year term.

- IV. Financial Report & Audit
 - Jerry Frazier presented a report on the financial position of the EOEF as well as a summary of investment accounts and their growth.
- V. Duncan Farm report
 - Dave Keeler presented details of the Duncan Farm operation for 2015.
 - o Wheat production and prices were down this year.
 - o Next year the property will be in peas.
 - o If wheat sold today it would yield \$36,000
 - o He will watch the market and sell at the best time he can judge, probably in February of 2016.
- VI. Report of the Chair

M/S/C EOEF will provide the diocese with \$10,000 to assist with retired clergy health care for 2016.

- VII. Questions and Discussion
 - Matt Carmichael gave a report on the status of the Archive Project.
- VIII. Adjournment and Closing Prayer

EDEO Proposed 2016 Diocesan Budget

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2	Income				
ო		2013	2014	2015	2016
4		Year End	Year End	Budget	Budget
10	10 Total Contributions (offerings, memorials, BDF)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
11					
12	Misc. Income	\$480		\$500	\$0
13					
14	Assessments (congregations)	\$324,083	\$342,960	\$375,000	\$365,000
15					
17					
21	Other Income (Duncan Fund, other)	\$15,427	\$12,057	\$12,000	\$21,055
22					
27	Grants/Loans	\$12,532	\$25,000	\$20,500	\$10,000
28					
29	Investment Income	\$31,811	\$40,003	\$40,000	\$43,000
31					
32	Rental Income (the rental income from Diocesan House)	\$2,944			
33					
41	Funds Transfer (ministry formation, strategic development)	\$18,318	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$3,000
42					
44	Reimbursements	\$3,407	\$194		
45					
46	46 Total Income	\$440,002	\$424,714	\$452,500	\$442,055

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EDEO Proposed 2016 Diocesan Budget

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ĸ		2013	2014	2015	2016
4		Year End	Year End	Budget	Budget
47					
48	Expenses				
54	Support for Larger Church (TEC, EMO, Province VIII, Seminary)	\$72,919	\$67,928	\$58,500	\$57,248
25					
61	Offerings (ERD, MDG's, Outreach, UTO)	\$3,318	\$100	\$2,730	\$2,800
62					
81	Ministry Support (COM, faith formation, congregational	\$77,488	\$43,139	\$75,350	\$85,500
82	support, convention, commissions, Dio. Council, etc.)				
87					
88	Episcopate (salary, travel, expenses)	\$74,807	\$87,082	\$85,600	\$96,000
88					
105	Personnel (salary, pension, payroll taxes)	\$143,662	\$163,483	\$172,223	\$171,467
106					
120	Administration (audit, contracted services, office expense, ect.)	\$69,330	\$67,984	\$47,540	\$21,040
121					
130	Physical and Real Property (taxes, insurance, repairs)	\$20,910	\$9,224	\$10,100	\$8,000
131					
132	Total Expense	\$462,434	\$438,940	\$452,043	\$442,055
133					
134	134 Balance	-\$22,432	-\$14,226	\$457	\$0
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137	137 Adjusted Balance	-\$4,255			
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Convention Committee Appointments

Nominations Committee: (Task: to recruit and encourage candidates for open positions on Diocesan Council and Standing Committee, with a focus on encouraging representation from each Convocation.)

Ann Havill, Standing Committee Trinity, Bend

The Rev. Dan Lediard, Diocesan Council St. John's, Hermiston

Karly Nash, Diocesan Council Trinity, Bend

The Rev. Ted Rodrigues, Standing Committee Transfiguration, Sisters

Resolutions Committee: (Task: to evaluate resolutions and present them to the Convention, with recommendation for action, or, in some cases to return them to their makers. The Committee does not have to deal with the resolutions that are introduced with various reports. The Committee also prepares Courtesy Resolutions. The Committee may also respond to the Bishop's Address, proposing action by Convention and the diocese in the form of recommendations or resolutions, as appropriate.)

Doug Harder, Secretary of Convention, Chair Redeemer, Pendleton

Kim McClain Trinity, Bend

Ann Marie Hardin
Fabian Baker
St. Paul's, Klamath Falls
Joel Bigelow
Jim Spell
St. Thomas', Canyon City

The Rev. Anna Carmichael St. Mark's, Hood River

Tellers: (Task: to distribute items including ballots and to count ballots and report elections to the

President of the Convention.)

Doug Harder, Secretary of Convention, Chair Redeemer, Pendleton

Kim McClain Trinity, Bend

Ann Marie Hardin
Fabian Baker
St. Paul's, Klamath Falls
Joel Bigelow
St. Stephen's, Baker City
Jim Spell
St. Thomas', Canyon City

Convention Offering: (Task: to recommend recipients of the Convention offerings.)

Diocesan Council has accepted appointment as the Convention Offering Committee and has designated half of the 2015 Convention offering go to support Navajoland and the other half to support Columbia Gorge Habitat for Humanity and the Eastern Oregon Haiti Project.

Time and Place of Convention:

St. Peter's, La Grande October 7-9, 2016 St. Marks+Church of the Good Shepherd, Madras October 13-15, 2017

REPORTS To CONVENTION

Archive Project of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern 2013-2015

It has been my honor to serve as the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon's Archivist and Historiographer for the last two years. In that time, I have committed myself to creating a well-organized and functional archives. As with any long-term archival project, there is more work to be done. I welcome you to peruse the EDEO's Archives and History website (www.edeoarchivesandhistory.weebly.com) in particular the "Archives Project" page, to view updates to the project as they occur. Here is a list of tasks completed during the first two years:

- Cleaned, organized, and constructed new diocesan archives;
- Developed a diocesan archives policy and retention/disposition schedules;
- Performed collection management tasks;
- Created and maintained an archives and history website;
- Scanned and indexed diocesan records and photographs;
- Researched and wrote on the history of the diocese;
- Contributed to the Oregon Trail Evangelist;
- Conducted and transcribed multiple oral histories;
- Handled research and reference requests;
- Rehoused diocesan archives in new acid-free boxes and polyethylene enclosure;
- Conducted preservation projects, including glass plate and microfilm digitization;
- Created and maintained a collection spreadsheet and accession list;
- Presented at and attended multiple archives and history conferences;
- Joined the National Episcopal Historians and Archivists Board of Trustees.

As an online graduate student in history at Sam Houston State University, I have intentionally immersed myself in the history of Christianity, in particular, the history of Anglicanism in the Pacific Northwest. In fact, my graduate thesis will explore the history of conflict and conciliation between Protestant and Catholic missionaries, Native Americans, and the multi-ethnic communities of the Pacific Northwest during the early nineteenth century. If all goes well, I plan to graduate after the spring 2016 semester.

What an amazing two years it has been! In June 2014, I was elected to serve on the National Episcopal Historians and Archivists Board of Trustees. NEHA's board meets both in person and over the phone throughout the year to discuss how best to support the ministry of diocesan archivists and historians around the country. As a young archivist and historian -- with one foot in the digital and analog world -- I am driven to discover new methods of collecting, arranging, describing and providing access to primary and secondary source material. I am humbled and honored to be part of this group and look forward to continued partnership.

After transporting diocesan records from the Bishop's Office in Cove in November 2013, I discovered an issue which has since evolved into quite a challenge. I have likened this challenge to a process of untangling an old ball of knotted twine. The EDEO's archives have evolved over time -- no doubt through normal use, wear and tear, as well as countless research projects of varying scope and size -- into one very large collection of subject files. The collection of records which I initially and naively assumed consisted mostly of Louis and Hazel Perkins' personal material was, in fact, a hodgepodge of MDEO and EDEO records. Mixed into the Perkins-Morrison archives was a flurry

of parish, bishop, clergy, and lay files. Some of the most notable discoveries to date have included a copy of Samuel French's will deeding the Cove property to Bp. Morris, Bp. Remington's personal journal and diaries (which have been divided up and misplaced), as well as requests to form new parishes, including records of many of our oldest churches in Cove, Baker City, La Grande, and The Dalles. I developed a collection spreadsheet utilizing Dublin Core's standard fifteen elements (i.e. title, author, date, description, etc.) for basic resource description. This spreadsheet could be uploaded into a collection management system should the diocese choose to invest in one. Without continued development of the diocese's archives, this collection will remain an assortment of random and unorganized subject files.

In addition to the immense task of developing a diocesan archives from scratch, I sometimes forget that I am also the historiographer. Someone asked me recently "what does a historiographer actually do"? I thought about it for a second, and said that a historiographer writes about history. As the Historiographer for the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon, I have a responsibility to research, study and write on its history. In addition to reading everything I could get my hands on regarding the history of the diocese, during the last two years, I have also conducted multiple oral histories, including an interview with Rev. Dcn. Robert Carsner, and Bp. Rusty Kimsey. I conducted the Kimsey interview in March 2014 for a class project on the legacy of the Mutual Responsibility and Interdependence Program and Coalition 14. I have taken the opportunity of combining my work for the diocese with my graduate program. Thus, my graduate program and work for the diocese have both complimented and augmented one another. Last spring, I composed an article on the history of MDEO and EDEO's bishops. The article was published in the Oregon Trail Evangelist.

I believe that the archivist and historiographer's task is vital for maintaining the cultural heritage of a community or organization. As long as the community or organization continue to function, there will always be a need for someone to maintain and provide access to its vital records. It is my hope that this project will continue to inspire others in the diocese to take connect with their history.

Matt Carmichael, MLIS Archivist and Historiographer

Ascension School Camp and Conference Center Report to Convention

2015 has been a very busy year for Ascension School. The capital campaign has come to a close, capital improvements have begun, Memorial Weekend/Work Weekend was one of the biggest we've ever had, summer camp went tremendously well, and Adult Ed was beyond success with over 250 people attending the final service on Sunday. Ascension's ministry is thriving!

The Capital Campaign concluded with reaching our goal of \$400,000 and almost reaching our additional goal of \$50,000 for a total of \$437,000. Founder's Hall dining room and bathrooms have been updated and work is continuing on making parking and the Founders building entry ADA. We are excited to announce that the Ascension Site Committee met with contractors and has chosen Mike Becker Construction Company. We are optimistic that we will break ground this fall on the new building.

The updated dining room has been wonderful for our summer camp program and for our guest groups using the facility. The dining room invites community building with its round tables and brighter atmosphere.

Memorial Weekend/Work Weekend had over 50 participants who completed many projects, including painting the shop and putting up our new sign. Our new sign was made possible by Joel and Beth Bigelow and The Rev. Richard Thew, as well as many volunteers who helped install the sign. We continue to work on making Memorial Weekend/Work Weekend an opportunity to not only help with getting camp ready for the summer program but also an opportunity to come together in fellowship and enjoy Ascension's beauty and peace. The Rev. Kathy Macek and Thorman Hulse presented information over the weekend about the Grande Ronde Valley, also known as The Valley of Peace by the Native Americans who first inhabited the area. The presentation was a great way to keep our 2014 Convention resolution in our hearts and mind.

Our 2015 summer program was a great success! The theme was "Universal Love: Religions Around the World" where campers had the opportunity to learn about some of the major religions of the world including Native American Spirituality, Buddhism, Islam, Judaism, and Christianity. Ascension's resident staff prepared for their summer by spending four days learning about five different religions with Willis Moore, formerly from Redeemer Pendleton, and Ruth Wilson. Willis and Ruth generously traveled from Hawaii to teach our young adult, and were a wealth of information about these world religions. Bishop Nedi was also able to spend a day with staff challenging them to go deeper in understanding their own faith and what it means to respect our neighbors.

At the end of their time with Willis the summer staff chose to approach their summer teaching by using the five senses- taste, smell, touch, hearing, and sight. Campers had the opportunity to taste Challah bread, smell frankincense, experience Islamic prayer traditions, learn about meditation, participate in Eucharist, and much more.

EDEO was blessed to have Presiding Bishop-elect Michael Curry as the presenter for the Adult Education weekend at Ascension. We were also fortunate to have Dent Davidson, composer and musician join Bishop Curry to inspire and teach us new songs. We concluded the weekend with a

moving Tent Revival Eucharist. As I said at the closing Eucharist there aren't words adequate to thank Bishop Michael Curry and Dent Davidson for the gifts they brought to the Diocese.

New News:

The Ascension Chapel Memorial Garden planning is well under way. Kathy Thew and Nod Palmer have taken this project on and are working with a local landscape designer, who has donated her time, to design the garden. Next steps include making sure we have all of the infrastructure in place to begin working on putting the garden together and raising funds. If you would like more information contact Kathy Thew at 541-910-0771.

<u>Bisbee Fund Ministry Partnership Grant – 2015</u> St. Andrew's, Burns

St. Andrews/Peace Lutheran stove replacement project was completed by May 1 of this year thanks to the Bisbee Foundation grant. The actual cost for this project which included adding more outlets in the kitchen, removal of Lang commercial cook stove, rewiring for two conventional double oven cook stoves, and the purchase of a 21 cu/ft freezer was \$ 6,430.00. This project was funded by Bisbee Foundation, Oregon Food Bank, MEB, and local donations.

Because we came in under budget, \$ 200 was returns to EDEO and \$ 200 to the Oregon Food Bank.

Sincerely,

Charles Cagle Senior Warden St. Andrews / Peace Lutheran Burns, OR Charles558@centurytel.net

Bisbee Fund Ministry Partnership Grant – 2015 St. Mark's, Hood River

On behalf of the St. Mark's community, the Emergency Voucher Program volunteers and clients, I give thanks for the Bisbee Grant that supported the program with \$500 in the 2015 year. Our annual operating budget is approximately \$12,000 and without the support of the Bisbee Grant, we would not have been able to continue to serve those in need in our community.

The Emergency Voucher Program's mission is to support and empower people in crisis, to provide immediate relief, refer them to appropriate safety net resources, assist in identifying natural resources, and assist in empowering self-sufficiency. By partnering with other organizations and churches in the Hood River area, we are able to provide clients with vouchers for food, lodging, and gas.

The Emergency Voucher Program is operated out of St. Mark's Monday-Friday, 12pm-2pm and is staffed by volunteers. The Hood River Police Department distributes vouchers during the evening and on weekends, and Providence Memorial Hospital provides administrative support for the program. Other partners include the United Way, the Salvation Army, Gorge Ecumenical Ministries, Riverside Community Church, and Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of the Gorge, Asbury Methodist /Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, and Bethel United Church of Christ. We were pleased to add the Bisbee Grant of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon to our list of partners this year.

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Sincerely,

The Rev. Anna Carmichael

<u>Bisbee Fund Ministry Partnership Grant – 2015</u> St. Matthew's, Ontario

The Four Rivers Community Garden, Ontario, OR

The Four Rivers Community Garden (FRCG) was originally started thru the Ford Family Foundation Leadership in 2007. It now operates under the Next Chapter Food Pantry's 501(c)(3). We grow fresh produce for the Next Chapter Food Pantry. We also host a number of classes and field trips throughout the growing season focusing on food and gardening.

We purchased an 8X12' greenhouse with \$1500 from the Diocese and another \$200 from St. Matthew's Church. We paired this with another \$300 in grant money from the FRCG to install and outfit the greenhouse. We also had generous donations of heating pads, space heaters and pots from the community. The greenhouse allowed us to at least double our seedling production this year. The first seedlings were transplanted to the greenhouse in late March with subsequent plantings through April. The greenhouse also allowed us the opportunity to take donated plants this year. We were also able to grow extra plant starts for donation to participants in a "Mothers with Children" class we hosted at the garden this year. All this adds up to nearly \$400 saved in plant costs that we would have had to purchase in previous years. Over the past few weeks we continue to grow warm season seedlings for planting in the garden.

Thank you so much for the grant from the Katharine Bisbee II Fund of Oregon Community Foundation.

Commission on Celebrating Diversity

Report to Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon 2015

Diocesan Convention meeting in Pendleton October 12, 2014, approved a Resolution:

Responding to Nííx Náknuwi Tiicham: Taking Good Care of the Land A Native Perspective on American Indian History in response to the Convention theme of Renouncing the Doctrine of Discovery.

In that resolution, we committed to:

- Learn who first lived on the land on which we live, work and pray, how that land came into the hand of others and where those original families are today, and then we will reflect and pray about what we have learned from this.
- Figure out how to begin and sustain a relationship, on terms that are mostly determined by the tribe not by us, with the tribe nearest to our congregations.
- Read, watch, and learn from five books and/or films over the next year that will help us
 more deeply grasp the nature of the conflicts and serve to guide our prayerful reflections as
 to how God is calling us to respond, and
- Each congregation will submit a report on its response to this resolution to the 45th Diocesan Convention.

The Commission on Celebrating Diversity has taken this resolution seriously and it has provided the focus for our work. We have individually read books and articles, and watched documentaries and films and when we have met together (mostly electronically) we have shared what we are learning and activities we have been engaged with in our communities and congregations. We are working to learn more about the people who first lived on the land where we live, work, and pray. We spent two days together at Ascension where we learned more about the history of Ascension when Thorman Hulse presented research on the history of the Grande Ronde Valley and evidence that it has served as a valley of peace for thousands of years. Kathy Macek shared a presentation she made to the congregation of St. Peter's, La Grande on the Doctrine of Discovery. We developed a mission statement for the commission:

We recognize and acknowledge all people are equal and honored children of God. We believe strong communities are made with a broad diversity of people.

We support and encourage congregations and communities to expand their diversity and we offer resources and education.

We are preparing materials to have available at convention including a bibliography of resources we have found beneficial for our learning, photographs of events that have taken place throughout the diocese during the year, and a workshop to share ideas and explore possibilities for congregations to continue to work toward the goals stated in the Resolution.

The current members of the commission are: the Rev. Anne Scissons, the Rev. Jan Kozak, Beth and Jim Spell, the Rev. Matthew Littau, Doug Harder, and Ruth Tsu, chair, and Bishop Nedi meets with us whenever it is possible for her to do so. If you are interested in becoming a part of the commission, please talk with one of us.

2015 Diocesan Council Convention Report

Since the 2014 Diocesan Convention, Council has met six times: three online meetings using Adobe Connect, and three face-to-face meetings. As a rule, each meeting begins with prayer, followed by the approval of the agenda and of the minutes of the previous meeting.

The following is a summary of our 2014-15 meetings.

November 14 &15 – Adobe Connect (The annual November retreat weekend at Ascension was cancelled, due to the weather.)

- Bishop Nedi read two letters of thanks: one from Jayce Hafner and one from Elsie Dennis regarding their participation in the 2014 convention.
- Doug Harder will be submitting a report to General Convention regarding the resolutions from GenCon 2012 that required action from the dioceses.
- Approved three annually-recurring Resolutions: check-signers on the diocesan US Bank Checking Account and the diocesan CB Financial Account; and Bishop Nedi's housing allowance.
- Reviewed the Diocesan Convention surveys.
- Approved a tentative schedule for meetings in 2015.
- After hearing a presentation by Ken Quigley from the Episcopal Church Foundation (ECF), agreed to begin a review of EDEO's investment policy and possibly move funds from Wells Fargo to ECF.
- The Bisbee Grant committee made the following recommendations:
 - St. Andrew's/Peace Lutheran: \$3810.00 to assist with the purchase of a new stove and freezer, which would aid in their outreach to their community through their monthly meal program.
 - o St. Mark's, Hood River: \$500.00 to assist in the Emergency Voucher Program which has recently been moved to their parish.
 - o St. Matthew's, Ontario: \$1272.00 to assist with the purchase and supplies for a new greenhouse which will become part of a program to teach people about growing their own food and will supply the Food Pantry. (Bishop Nedi indicated that she would give St. Matthew's \$228.00 from the Bishop's Discretionary Fund to make up for the shortfall in the grant request funding.)
 - Recommended that Trinity Bend's application for \$1500 for their Family Kitchen program be denied. The purpose of the Bisbee Grant is to fund new projects and Outreach and Family Kitchen has been funded by the Bisbee Grant on several other occasions.
- Randy Heise, All Saints of the Cascades, Sunriver, was appointed as the council representative on Finance Committee.
- The council discussed the election process for bishop and agreed that the January meeting agenda would focus on that.

- Kathy Macek was elected Co-Chair of Council; Doug Harder was elected Vice-Chair.
- Financial Report
 - o Jerry Frazier reviewed the bookkeeping procedures that are currently in place for EDEO; and the updated Investment Policy that Finance Committee and several members of council worked on in January. Ken Quigley, from The Episcopal Church Foundation (ECF) also sent in some request for changes. The revisions and changes can be found in the minutes from the meeting, on the EDEO website.
 - o Arnold Coe was added as a signer to the diocesan US Bank Checking Account.
 - o The auditors in Bend are working on the 2009 audit. 'Friend and Reagan' is preparing 2010's documents to be sent to the auditors.
 - Currently there are no terms listed in the Canons with regards to Finance.
 Committee; a motion was adopted to present a resolution to Convention to add a statement on term limits to the Canons.
 - o Council approved a resolution proposed by St. Andrew's, Burns, to join Peace Lutheran in support of Living Waters Indian Ministry.
- Heard reports from Ascension School, the Environmental Justice Commission and the Commission on Celebrating Diversity.
- Bishop Search:
 - o The four remaining slots on the Search/Nominating Committee were filled, pending acceptance by the nominees.
 - Doug Harder, Karly Nash, Kim McClain and Georgia Giaccobe volunteered to be on the Profile Committee; they will work on a diocesan profile and also craft a "charge" to the Search Committee.
 - o Council reviewed the Appreciative Inquiry work done in preparation for calling a new bishop and made recommendations to the Profile Committee.
 - o The budget and timeline were discussed.

February 14 – Adobe Connect

- Report from Jerry Frazier on a conversation with Ken Quigley of the Episcopal Church Foundation: Jerry reviewed the Enabling Resolution, with the changes that were advised by Kim Mosier. It was decided that further conversation with ECF needed to happen regarding how EDEO's money would be invested.
- The Search/Nominating Committee is now complete. Each convocation is represented.
- Bishop Nedi spoke with Bishop Clay Matthews from the national church office, informing him of the upcoming search for the next Bishop of Eastern Oregon. Bishop Matthews will send a document that has the best practices for a search process.
- Council approved the "charge" to the Search Committee.

March 21 – Adobe Connect

• Jerry Frazier discussed his findings regarding investing with the Episcopal Church Foundation and his correspondence with Ken Quigley. Several options were discussed including tabling the move to ECF, investigating investing with TEC, and remaining with Wells Fargo; Council decided to maintain our funds with Wells Fargo until we can get clarification on ECF's socially responsible investment options; a subcommittee was formed consisting of Randy Heise and Doug Harder will assist Jerry with this work.

- The council reviewed the draft profile from the Profile Committee; after offering some suggestions and corrections a motion was approved to accept the distributed profile as a draft with the caveat that minor changes will be made.
- DeWanda Clark, chair of the Diocesan Convention committee in The Dalles, is requesting that council choose a theme for convention as soon as possible. Bishop Nedi will call and talk to DeWanda regarding this process.

May 8-9 – Meeting in Burns

- Ascension School Report:
 - Patty Olson-Lindsey and Arnold Coe presented a report on the status of Ascension School including an update on Founders Hall and the new building project. Resolutions were passed regarding oversight of the contract and disbursement of funds.
 - o At Patty's request, Council will write a resolution to amend Ascension School board membership language in the Canons to the effect that there should be a member of Council on the board at all times.
- Judy Warren presented a report on her work as the Diocesan Disaster Coordinator.
- Standing Committee gave a report on their discussion about EDEO's search process with Bishop Clay Matthews from the Office of Pastoral Development at TEC. SC recommends that the October convention be a normal convention and that there be a special convention for the election of a new bishop.
- Jerry Frazier gave a brief report on the Finance Committee meeting. He presented a budget with the 2014 year end numbers. There was a discussion on the Bishop's compensation.
- Beth Spell gave a report on the Commission on Celebrating Diversity and the work they have been doing.
- Convention planning: This year's Diocesan Convention theme will be *The Reign of God is Near* (Mark 1:15) with a focus on justice, highlighting elements of Environmental Justice while tying in the work of previous conventions dealing with Hispanic and American Indian ministry in our diocese. Doug Harder will chair the Resolutions Committee
- Bishop Nedi reported that Angela Gorham has resigned. A job description is being created and the position will be posted. In the interim Reilley Boquist will be working as the office assistant for EDEO and Ascension school and will take on more responsibility until someone is hired.
- John Collins will be ordained to the priesthood on June 6th at 11:00AM at St. Helen's Hall in Bend. Katherine Brick from Madras will be ordained as a pastor in the Lutheran Church at 3:00PM at St. Mark's in Madras on the same day. A Collegium is planned for June 5th in Bend so clergy can be present.
- Point of order from Standing Committee: nominations for bishop will close on July 20th (following General Convention) and a separate electing convention will happen on December 12, 2015.

August 7-8 – Meeting in Bend

• John Collins presented a report on the status of the search for the new bishop of EDEO, which included an adjusted timeline. the committee has narrowed the candidates to 8. A

petition period will take place after the finalists are announced. The Transition Committee will be in charge of the details and planning of the walk-about.

• Financial Report:

- Jerry Frazier presented the 2016 budget recommended to council by Finance Committee. Council recommended that a new line be added to the budget called "Carryover."
- Council determined how to allocate funds to the Environmental Justice Commission, The Commission on Celebrating Diversity, and Disaster Preparedness
- o Council recommended the budget to Diocesan Convention.
- o Finance Committee recommends that council consider revising the EDEO policy on Medical Insurance Benefits for Retired Clergy; Jerry requested volunteers from Council to assist members of Finance Committee with reviewing this policy. Kathy Macek and Randy Heise volunteered.
- Heard reports from the Environmental Justice Commission, Ascension School, the Commission on Celebrating Diversity, and Standing Committee. Details of these reports can be found in the minutes from the meeting, on the EDEO website.
- Approved a motion that Standing Committee will generate a Letter of Agreement for Bishop Nedi, from the end date of her last Letter of Agreement through the date of the consecration of the new bishop.
- Approved a motion to name Redeemer Church, Pendleton, as the site of the December 12, 2015 convention to elect a new bishop. December 19, 2015, was named as an alternate date, in the event of bad weather.
- Heard a report on St. Paul's, Nyssa: the congregation is considering whether or not to close and is having discussions with Bishop Nedi and with the Nyssa City Council.
- Diocesan Convention Planning:
 - Approved a motion to present a formal resolution to Convention changing the language of the Canon for the Ascension School Board, stating that the Board will always include a current member of Diocesan Council. Kathy Macek volunteered to attend the October Board meeting.
 - Nominating Committee will be comprised of this year's outgoing Diocesan Council and Standing Committee members: Dan Lediard, Ted Rodrigues, Ann Havill, Karla Nash.
 - Resolutions Committee: Doug Harder will serve as chair of the resolutions committee; members are: Kim McClain, Ann Marie Hardin, Fabian Baker, Joel Bigelow, Jim Spell and Anna Carmichael. This committee will also serve as tellers at convention.
 - Offering Designation: Half will go to Navajoland; half to ERD's "Carry the Water" campaign.
 - o St. Peter's, La Grande will host 2016's convention.
 - o Pending approval and acceptance the 2017 convention will be held at Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters.
- Jerry Frazier indicated that he will be retiring from his position as Diocesan Treasurer when Bishop Nedi retires.

• The November Diocesan Council meeting agenda will include a review of the resolutions that General Convention has asked dioceses to consider, particularly the diocesan policy on alcohol; and a discussion of how Diocesan Convention is hosted and by whom.

Respectfully submitted, The Rev. Kathryn Macek, Co-chair

Disaster Preparedness

This year there are several accomplishments to report for the Diocesan Disaster Preparedness Project:

- **Diocesan Disaster Plan.** A diocesan disaster plan, "In God's Hands . . . and Ours," was written, and has been approved by both Bishop Nedi and the members of the Diocesan Disaster Preparedness and Response Team. The plan delineates a three-pronged approach to prepare for and respond to the disasters that may come our way:
 - O Coordinate a diocesan response if a parish or mission is involved in a disaster. The parishes in Pendleton and Canyon City were contacted to ascertain if they needed diocesan assistance during the recent fires (they did not).
 - O Encourage and facilitate each parish and mission to create their own disaster plan (1) to identify their resources and property assets, and (2) to consider how those assets might be utilized in times of disasters to assist both their parishioners and the wider community
 - o Encourage parishioners to participate in the workshop, "Disaster Preparedness 101 for Individuals and Families" (see below)
- Diocesan Disaster Preparedness and Response Team. The following persons have accepted the call to be members of the Diocesan Disaster Preparedness and Response Team: Bruce Barnes (Pendleton), Randy Heise (Sunriver), Fr. Rich Landrith (Lakeview), Peter Lovering (Bend), Jean Schadler (Lakeview), and Jim Spell (Canyon City).
- Brief Parishes and Missions.

All of the missions and parishes in the diocese were contacted to introduce clergy and parish leaders to the Diocesan Disaster Project, to encourage them to create their own parish disaster plans, and to consider sponsoring the Disaster Preparedness 101 workshop for their parishioners (and the wider community if they chose).

 Clergy and/or parish leaders from the following parishes and missions accepted the invitation to meet with the Diocesan Disaster Coordinator and members of the Diocesan Disaster Preparedness and Response Team:

Baker City — St. Stephen's	Lakeview — St. Luke's
Bend — Trinity	Ontario — St. Mathew's
Enterprise — St. Patrick's	Pendleton — Church of the Redeemer
Hood River — St. Mark's	Redmond — St. Alban's
Klamath Falls — St. Paul's	Sisters — Church of the Transfiguration
La Grande — St. Peter's	Sunriver — All Saints of the Cascades

• Parish Disaster Plans. The following parishes have completed, or are in the process of completing, their parish disaster plans:

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Bend — Trinity Lakeview — St. Luke's
Enterprise — St. Patrick's Pendleton — Church of the Redeemer
Hood River — St. Mark's Sunriver — All Saints of the Cascades
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• Create and Present "Disaster Preparedness 101 — for Individuals and Families." The 2.5 hour workshop has been presented in Hood River, Klamath Falls and Pendleton, with events scheduled in Bend and Sunriver.

• Participate in ER&D Training. Jean Schadler, Randy Heise and Judy Warren participated in Episcopal Relief and Development's US Disaster Program training in Albuquerque.

Judy Warren Disaster Planning Coordinator Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon

EDEO Environmental Justice Commission Report

2014 - 2015

The Environmental Justice Commission of EDEO is currently comprised of 16 people throughout the Diocese who are interested in making a difference in caring for God's creation. Regular email alerts to the group highlight areas of concern for action which can be shared within our parishes. Topics this year included: Fast Track/Trans Pacific Partnership; energy lobby collusion with State Attorney Generals; expiring federal tax incentives for renewable energy, energy efficiency, and clean vehicles; GMO labeling; ocean pollution; divestment from fossil fuels; proposed Nestle plant in the Gorge; and Oregon carbon pricing. In April, some of us participated in the national church's 30 Days of Action addressing the Climate Change Crisis. Chair Kim McClain attended an Interfaith Open Space day in Portland hosted by Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon to dialogue about denominations coming together to work on justice issues of all kinds.

Education about how sustainable living can reduce negative impacts on our environment is part of our mission and we had a table at the 2014 Diocesan Convention with materials and information, and Kim McClain presented a workshop on what it means to care for the environment as a people of faith entitled Nature and the Sacred: To Bless the Space Around Us." Tips for reducing our daily impact on the earth and its resources were published in the weekly EDEO Connections enewsletter.

It is important for parishes to be role models for their congregations and communities. Along these lines, each parish was sent information in August about assessing their church buildings to determine energy use and loss, and will receive recommendations on cost effective actions they can take to reduce their energy usage and lower their carbon footprints – thereby doing their part in caring for God's creation.

If you are interested in joining the Environmental Justice Commission or have any questions about what we do, please contact:

Kim McClain, Chair <u>Desertsoul222@gmail.com</u> 480-518-7789

Episcopal Relief & Development

We are currently about 75% of the way through a 15-month celebration of the 75th anniversary of the beginning of Episcopal Relief & Development. It was started to help refugees fleeing World War II, later expanded to other efforts as the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief, and in 2000 was renamed Episcopal Relief & Development to better reflect the nature of the organization it had become. At the same time as the last name change, it became a non-profit, 501(c) 3 organization, independent of though affiliated with the Episcopal Church. That affiliation is formalized by the chairperson of the board of directors being chosen by the Episcopal Church, and by the Presiding Bishop also being an ex-officio member of the board of directors. Notably, the current board chair of Episcopal Relief & Development is the new Presiding Bishop Elect, the Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, who will step down from that position when he becomes Presiding Bishop.

I assume nearly all congregations have been participating in our diocesan "Carry the Water" campaign since January. This campaign is to raise funds to provide sanitation and clean water for places in the world that do not now have access to clean water – arguably the most basic of necessities for a healthy life. As of June 30th, Episcopal Relief & Development has received a total of \$5,857.73. \$800 from one congregation was for sanitation and clean water and the rest was undesignated or for other needs. I'm assuming most congregations had not yet sent in any funds for the campaign, or did not designate the purpose of the donation. Some of the donations sent in were for other specific needs. Many have been holding the funds collected for the campaign to submit at convention. I probably won't have data for the third quarter until after convention. Most years the total received in the first six months is about one fifth of the total given for the year, with the rest coming in the second six months.

I'm tempted to call this the Year of Disaster Planning, with the great efforts of Judy Warren getting congregations into the mode of preparing disaster plans. On July 21st, Redeemer had an opportunity to put their disaster plan into operation when a major fire broke out in an old 3-story brick building about 80 yards from the back corner of the church. Though our property was not threatened, we set up a "rehab" center for fire personnel to take breaks away from the heat and smoke. This was a valuable service to our community, and the firefighters were grateful. If we hadn't done the plan, we wouldn't have provided the service. Lesson learned: if you haven't started yet, Write a Plan – Start Now! There have many tangible benefits we've received since completing ours last December, just ask me, I'd be glad to share.

If you haven't yet met Ellen Nesbitt, she and her husband are new transplants to Enterprise from Portland, and she is the former coordinator for Episcopal Relief & Development for the Diocese of Oregon. She has offered to be available to visit congregations to speak about the organization, so please talk with her if you'd like to invite her to make a visit.

Bruce Barnes Episcopal Relief & Development Coordinator for the Diocese of Eastern Oregon and Province VIII

General Convention Deputation 2015 Report

The deputation from the diocese included the following members: Doug Harder, Helen Keefe, Terry Rahmsdorff, Peggy Ziegler, The Rev. Nancy Sargent-Green, The Rev. Anna Carmichael, The Rev. Dcn. Janet Warner, The Rev. Ted Rodrigues (chair), and alternates Ann Havill, and The Rev. Kathy Macek. It is important to remember that this is the legislative gathering of the Episcopal Church, and it's impact is very important to the life of the Church. There are reports, legislative actions both great and small (497 items to be exact), committee hearings, special presentations, etc. that were part of the 9 days of business. Through those 9 days, members of the deputation swapped between the alternates and deputies to make sure everyone had an opportunity to know what it was like to be on the floor of convention.

There were several things that made this convention special. The hospitality of the Diocese of Utah and the people of Salt Lake City was wonderful. As was the hearing of the powerful shared ministry between the diocese and the LDS church to meet the needs of the homeless. There was the historic election of Bishop Michael Curry as our next presiding bishop, the celebration of 230 years since the founding and first meeting of the House of Deputies, the approval of liturgies for the blessing and marriage of same sex couples (which tied in with the Supreme Court's decision on the legality of same sex marriage), the first steps of streamlining the operations of the Episcopal Church, and the General Convention specifically. As part of this last item, even before coming to General Convention, there was the elimination and combining of some committees. Legislative committees kept those who were assigned to committees busy, while those of our deputation who weren't assigned were able to attend hearings in other committees and report back to the group on items that they saw coming up for action on the floor. However, the real change will be felt in the next GC when there will have been only 2 Standing Commissions working for 3 years and specific committees appointed by Executive Council for particular tasks.

Along with the legislative actions and committee meetings there was also the time to gather for daily Eucharist where we were blessed to start the day with great and varied music, and inspiring sermons. There were also times to gather for Kathy Macek was able to attend the joint United Thank Offering/Episcopal Church Women convention dinner, celebrating the 125th anniversary of UTO! Three of the young adult UTO grant recipients gave presentations on their projects and Bishop Michael Curry delivered an inspirational message. Anna Carmichael worked with the Environmental Stewardship and Creation Care legislative committee. There was also the establishment of a Task Force developed to work towards more intentional focus on the 5th Mark of Mission (A030), and a commitment to begin the divestment from Fossil Fuels in our endowments/investments. Ted Rodrigues and Helen Keefe attended separate presentations by the Church Pension Fund on the health of the fund, and the services they provide the church, with one presentation touching on their listening to the church, and seeking ways to support clergy in small congregations.

It was noted by members of the deputation that The ambiance of the GC was far more peaceful and mellow than what I remember from the last two. President Gay Jennings did a superb job in her 1st GC as president. Presiding Bishop Katharine was acknowledged a number of times in immense gratitude for her leadership in some turbulent times for the Episcopal Church. The budget was passed with some differing opinions but little discord.

Of all the pieces of legislation we have decided to highlight those that we feel have a direct relationship with our diocese. If you would like to review all actions of General Convention 2015, you can go to this link: http://www.generalconvention.org/home/legislative-resources
And if you would like to see the Episcopal News Services summary you can go to this link: http://episcopaldigitalnetwork.com/ens/2015/07/07/general-convention-wrap-up-historic-actions-structural-changes/

A075- Having the Episcopal Church Website provide a "button" on which to click that will lead to a list and linking of suitable Christian formation (education) sites.

D009- Revitalization of Congregations. "Promotes the revitalization of existing congregations within The Episcopal Church through the creation of a congregational revitalization network and creates a staff position to facilitate the creation of this network and coordinate training opportunities for congregational leaders. Calls for a Congregation Revitalization Venture Fund to be created to fund grants to existing congregations."

D072- New Visions Approves funding for continuing the New Visions initiative for Congregational Renewal and Vitality."

D005- Creating a Capacity to Plant Churches. Directs creation of a church-wide network for planting congregations, training and recruiting planters, and establishing new congregations each triennium.

A054- Adopt Resources and Rites from "Liturgical Resources I: I Will Bless You and You Will Be a Blessing, Revised and Expanded 2015"

A045- Appoint Task Force for Clergy Leadership Formation in Small Churches

A061- Support Leadership Program for Musicians in Small Churches

A025- Support Native American Ministries Engaging At-Risk Teens . Calls for the establishment of a rapid response to Episcopal Ministries that are engaged in intervention to prevent ongoing crises with at risk teens in Native American communities. Also calls for the Executive Council's Committee on Indigenous Ministry's Subcommittee on Adolescent Ministries to develop and administer a support system and financial resources that the Church can provide to these local communities.

A159 The Role of the Church in the Culture of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Recognizes the role of the Church in the culture of alcohol and other drug abuse and the need to update the current policy last updated at the 68th General Convention. Directs dioceses to work in partnership with The Episcopal Church Medical Trust, Recovery Ministries of The Episcopal Church, and community-based organizations in order to address and educate on the issues engendered by alcohol and other drug abuse.

D014 Question Ordinands About Addiction Directs that ponsoring Clergy, Vestries, Commissions on Ministry, Standing Committees, and Bishops interviewing and evaluating Nominees, Postulants, and Candidates for Ordination explore directly issues regarding substance use in their lives and family systems.

A169 Establish a Process for the Revision of the Book of Common Prayer 1979 Requires the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music (SCLM) to prepare a plan for the comprehensive revision of the current Book of Common Prayer and present that plan to the 79th General Convention.

D060 Establish a Process for the Revision of the Hymnal 1982

Prison Ministry Report

This past year I have continued to offer a monthly communion service at Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution in Pendleton, on the fourth Wednesday of each month. There are generally from 10-14 inmates who attend on a regular basis, and occasionally a new inmate joins us. The inmates participate by reading the lessons, and they feel honored when asked to do so.

It is a privilege to be able to offer these services, and I am thankful to those people who take time out of their busy schedules to get me there and pick me up. They know who they are, and without them I would not be able to provide this service.

In addition to the above services, Phyllis and I continue to offer an Easter Morning Eucharist and a Christmas Morning Eucharist at EOCI. These services are very well received by the inmates, and we have an average attendance of between 60-80 inmates at each of these services.

Inmates in the woodshop at EOCI continue to cut out wooden pocket crosses for me, which I finish and send out to our military troops. This, I believe, helps them to feel like they are providing a ministry to our military personnel.

I am thankful to God for the opportunity to serve Him in this manner.

Doug Jerome Prison Ministry Coordinator

Standing Committee Report

Diocesan Convention, October 2015

I would like to thank the members of this year's Standing Committee for their hard work and faithfulness as we continued in the process of planning for the transition of episcopal leadership. The ministry and leadership of Rev. Jed Holdorph, Rev. Ted Rodrigues, Ann Havill, Charlie Caglel and Kim McClain, the administrative assistance of Lisa Boquist, and the support of Rt. Rev. Bavi "Nedi" Rivera has been invaluable during this process.

This year the Standing Committee met in January, February, March, May, August, and September either in person or via Adobe Connect. Much of our focus this year has been on the search and transition process of calling a new bishop to the Diocese. We have been working in conjunction with the Search Committee under the leadership of the Rev. John Collins, and the Office of Pastoral Development of the House of Bishops. Currently we are preparing for the special electing convention which will take place in December. While we have accomplished much this year, we still have a lot of work ahead of us.

As all Standing Committees are charged to do, we gave consents as appropriate to other diocese in The Episcopal Church for starting the search for episcopal leadership, as well as the election of episcopal leadership. We also unanimously supported the ordination of John Collins to priesthood in June.

During the 2014-2015 year, Standing Committee continued to oversee property issues and concerns in the diocese, including but not limited to the sale of the Vicarage connected to St. James Milton-Freewater, and the continued use of 601 Union Street for the diocesan archives.

The other business of Standing Committee is to provide support to the Bishop. We do this part of our ministry by providing compassionate care and listening when there are confidential clergy disciplinary issues, as well as opportunities for healing and reconciliation that the Bishop can facilitate.

It has been my great pleasure and honor to serve as the President of Standing Committee this year.

God's Peace,

The Rev. Anna Carmichael St. Mark's, Hood River

Bishop's Report To The 45th Annual Convention

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In compliance with Title III, Canon 24, Section 1, the following is a resumé of official functions by The Rt. Rev. Bavi "Nedi" Rivera from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015, since the 43rd Annual Convention.

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Thanksgiving at Ascension School
Appreciative Inquiry, St. Matthew's, Ontario
Commission on Celebrating Diversity online meetings:

Commission on Celebrating Diversity Retreat
Adult Education, Ascension School
Memorial service for Marcus Borg, Bend
Memorial services for Bishop Kimsey, The Dalles and Cove
Memorial Service for the Rev. Jerry Reynolds, Bend

MEETINGS AND EVENTS OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE:

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, Bishops and Executives: 1 Province VIII House of Bishops, Navajoland Province VIII Transition Officers, Salt Lake City Province VIII Transition Ministers, Los Angeles House of Bishops, North Carolina, General Convention, Salt Lake City Bishops of Small Diocese, Salt Lake City Lutheran Episcopal Coordinating Committee, Chicago Family Systems Group: 2 Memorial service for Marcus Borg, Portland Katrina Remembrance and Day of Service Ordination of Bishop of Diocese of Northwest Pennsylvania Sisters of the Community of St. Francis, Bishop Protector Order of the Community of the Paraclete, Bishop Visitor

Days spent in Diocese: 163

Days spent working while outside of the Diocese: 69 (House of Bishops, Bishops of Small Diocese, Transition Minsters, LECC, Province VIII, Etc.)

Statistical Reports

Diocese of Eastern Oregon	tern Oregon	Vital Statistics of Congregations and Missions Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2014	ngregations an last year of filing if	id Missio not 2014	su	I	- Baptisms	l sms	
Oity	Congregation	Active Members	Communicants in Good Standing	Others	Average Sunday Attendance	Sunday Eucharists	16 yrs and Older	Under 16 Years	Confirmed or Received
Baker City	St Stephens Episcopal Church	70	53		22	26	0	2	4
Bend	Trinity Episcopal Church	430	317	113	138	103	0	5	2
Bonanza	St Barnabas Episcopal Church	49	23	0	13	14	0	1	0
Burns	St Andrews Episcopal Church	18	18	0	25	48	0	0	0
Canyon City	St Thomas Episcopal Church	58	90	80	14	25	0	0	0
Enterprise	St Patricks Episcopal Church	20	19	_	10	22	0	1	0
Heppner	All Saints Memorial Epis Church	100	51	36	29	43	1	3	0
Hermiston	St Johns Episcopal Church	72	72	0	36	52	0	0	9
Hood River	St Marks Episcopal Church	185	100	30	56	102	0	0	П
Klamath Falls	St Pauls Episcopal Church	92	83	0	38	62	0	0	0
La Grande	St Peters Episcopal Church	51	40	5	21	48	0	0	0
Lakeview	St Lukes Episcopal Church	20	20	9	13	47	0	0	0
Madras	St Marks Episcopal Church	17	17	0	34	49	0	0	0
Milton Freewater	St James Episcopal Church	31	31	0	15	27	0	0	0
Nyssa	St Pauls Episcopal Church	32	32	0	6	39	0	-	0
Ontario	St Matthews Episcopal Church	89	40	5	35	58	0	1	1
Pendleton	Church of the Redeemer	129	84	3	52	48	3	3	2
Prineville	St Andrews Episcopal Church	38	38	-	20	29	1	0	0
Redmond	St Albans Episcopal Church	25	25	_	19	54	0	0	0
Sisters	Church of the Transfiguration	196	186	0	119	52	-	0	0
Sunriver	All Saints of the Cascades	19	29	0	157	52	0	0	0
The Dalles	St Pauls Episcopal Church	210	125	9	09	96	0	0	2
		Total 1,999	1,491	216	935	1,096.00	9	17	18

Diocese of Eastern Oregon

Financial Statistics of Congregations and Missions
Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2014

			REVENUE -			<u>×</u>	EXPENSE	
City	Congregation	Plate & Pledge Income	Operating Revenue	Total Revenue	Operating Expense	To the Diocese	Outreach & Development	Total Expense
Baker City	St Stephens Episcopal Church	51,471	52,062	60,748	56,403	11,565	5,016	61,359
Bend	Trinity Episcopal Church	360,945	361,634	671,240	433,200	81,215	223,977	674,545
Bonanza	St Barnabas Episcopal Church		0	0	0		0	0
Burns	St Andrews Episcopal Church	13,671	14,671	15,702	40,067	3,076	2,969	42,136
Canyon City	St Thomas Episcopal Church	19,672	22,081	35,480	20,141	4,410	12,915	30,879
Enterprise	St Patricks Episcopal Church	10,483	11,154	11,558	11,153	2,336	0	11,363
Heppner	All Saints Memorial Epis Church	21,277	62,779	74,369	64,667	5,948	6,440	73,257
Hermiston	St Johns Episcopal Church	57,350	57,566	80,640	57,566	12,881	7,315	63,719
Hood River	St Marks Episcopal Church	112,598	144,216	191,640	154,428	30,198	3,987	186,039
Klamath Falls	St Pauls Episcopal Church	990,09	78,206	107,114	70,540	14,327	5,870	80,977
La Grande	St Peters Episcopal Church	770,577	70,577	104,150	81,177	15,764	479	102,132
Lakeview	St Lukes Episcopal Church	7,494	8,497	12,697	9,822	1,763	6,257	15,640
Madras	St Marks Episcopal Church	2,476	2,476	2,476	557	557	0	557
Milton Freewater	St James Episcopal Church	19,621	23,343	29,727	25,987	5,406	4,724	32,371
Nyssa	St Pauls Episcopal Church	11,446	19,030	20,115	13,357	2,592	11,318	23,697
Ontario	St Matthews Episcopal Church	65,835	67,835	74,537	69,914	15,376	26,357	94,296
Pendleton	Church of the Redeemer	130,316	132,659	164,234	143,160	30,593	9,036	163,041
Prineville	St Andrews Episcopal Church	34,069	36,701	41,012	38,636	8,581	809	39,412
Redmond	St Albans Episcopal Church	25,467	26,395	28,849	29,731	6,748	10,407	30,171
Sisters	Church of the Transfiguration	251,807	280,217	280,617	277,196	65,311	28,410	305,606
Sunriver	All Saints of the Cascades	39,293	39,313	91,593	25,201	4,356	1,790	32,184
The Dalles	St Pauls Episcopal Church	124,761	163,927	193,810	144,768	36,884	50,124	929,861
	E	Total 1,490,695	1,678,339	2,292,308	1,767,671	359,887	417,999	2,262,057

Canonically Resident Clergy The Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon

Bishop:		Diocesan Assignment
The Rt. Rev. B	avi (Nedi) Rivera	Bishop
Canonically Re		0 D : 11 E
01-17-70	Richard H. Thew	St. Patrick's, Enterprise
09-01-93	*Alfred F. Miller	
03-09-95	*Daniel W. Gardner	
04-22-95	Stephen P. Uffelman	St. Andrew's, Prineville
9-16-97	Nancy Sargent McGrath Green	All Saints of the Cascades/Sunriver Christian Fellowship
06-16-99	Douglas D. Jerome	Eastern Oregon Correctional Institute
11-30-99	*Serita V. Smith-Allen	
07-16-03	Richard S. Landrith	St. Luke's, Lakeview
11-18-03	Mary R. Lujan	Non-parochial, Hood River
05-16-06	Theodore E. (Ted) Rodrigues	Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters
06-10-06	Rebecca Lanham Hendricks	St. James', Milton-Freewater
11-19-06	Aletha G. Bonebrake	St. Stephen's, Baker City
09-23-08	William Paul Morton	St. Alban's, Redmond
10-22-08	Charles Christopher	St. Alban's, Redmond
02-04-09	Roy D. Green	
05-19-09	*John "Jack" Erskine	
07-13-10	Anna K. Carmichael	St. Mark's, Hood River
02-24-11	*Kenneth V. King, Jr.	
03-19-11	Dan Lediard	St. John's, Hermiston
05-23-11	Kathryn Macek	St. Peter's, La Grande
11-13-14	Jed Holdorph	Trinity, Bend
06-06-15	John Collins	Transfiguration, Sisters
09-23-15	Ann Scissons	_
	serving Episcopal parishes	
07-01-10	Katy Anderson	All Saints Episcopal and Hope Lutheran, Heppner
07-01-11	Matthew Littau	St. Andrew's Episcopal + Peace Lutheran, Burns
07-01-14	Katherine Brick	St. Mark's Episcopal/Good Shepherd Lutheran, Madras
•	esident Deacons:	<u>Diocesan Assignment</u>
07-10-93	Sherry L. Hartley	St. Barnabas, Bonanza
03-23-96	Charles R. Barnes	St. John's, Hermiston
10-11-98	*Carol J. McClelland	
06-16-99	Jean S. Cupp	Church of the Redeemer, Pendleton
09-29-99	Stephen L. Schafroth	St. Paul's, The Dalles
05-01-02	Janet L. Warner	St. Andrew's, Prineville
06-10-06	Roger L. Fairfield	Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters
07-11-07	*Ruth Ellen Brown	
01-05-08	Gaye Hauk Lawson	Trinity, Bend
12-05-11	Georgia Giacobbe	St. Paul's, The Dalles
05-28-14	Marilyn Roth	St. Paul's. The Dalles

^{*} Asterisk beside the names denotes those canonically resident clergy, in accordance with Diocesan Canons, who are **not** qualified clerical delegates, entitled to seat, voice and vote in

Convention. According to Diocesan Canon V.6, "All canonically resident clergy, of whatever Order, who have a regular diocesan or congregational assignment, and are in good standing, and who are performing the duties of their office, and who are not under ecclesiastical discipline, have the right to seat, voice and vote in the Convention. Retired clergy, canonically resident in the Diocese, shall be entitled to seat and voice, but no vote in Convention."

<u>Retired canonically resident clergy</u> entitled to seat and voice in Convention, in accordance with Diocesan Canons:

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12-09-60	Lawrence C. Ferguson	Prineville, OR	(priest)
08-03-75	Lawrence E. Fredrick	Sunnyvale, CA	(priest)
09-29-76	Kenneth W. Crysler	Pendleton, OR	(priest)
09-24-78	Carol B. Rose	Casa Grande, AZ	(priest)
09-21-85	James D. Mosier	Ontario, OR	(priest)
10-15-86	Gary J. Young	Hood River, OR	(priest)
07-13-88	John A. Langfeldt	The Dalles, OR	(priest)
01-04-89	Robert J. Crum	Portland, OR	(priest)
04-29-91	Robert P. S. Kaye	College Place, WA	(priest)
03-15-92	Carol A. Parker	Prineville, OR	(priest)
05-22-94	Janet C. Schiering	Hood River, OR	(priest)
03-09-95	Roger V. Williams	Nyssa, OR	(priest)
06-10-98	Richard E. Attebury	Moscow, ID	(priest)
08-10-99	Wilma M. Hoffer	Bend, OR	(deacon)
09-26-99	John W. Gilsdorf	Athena, OR	(priest)
01-06-02	Connie Boone	Cutting, CA	(deacon)
05-01-02	Janet M. Kozak	Madras, OR	(priest)
05-01-02	Laurence F. Mahon	Salem, OR	(deacon)
6-05-03	Mikel McClain	Portland, OR	(priest)
06-16-03	Sarah M. Stanton	Lacey, WA	(priest)
06-24-06	Martha Cornue Hurlburt	Walla Walla, WA	(priest)

Dates are of canonical residency in the Diocese of Eastern Oregon.

Lay Delegates Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon 43rd Annual Convention, October 11-13, 2013

SW – Senior Warden D – Elected Delegate
JW - Junior Warden A – Elected Alternate

Persons whose names are in italics were **not** present as **voting delegates**.

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t. Stephen's, Baker City

Cammy Warner, SW Rob Palmer, JW Hannah Violette D Beth Bigelow A

Trinity, Bend

Joan Wellman, SW
Tom Lowery, JW
Jerry Lear, D
Julie Lear, D
Wynne Osborne, D
Terry Rahmsdorff, D
Peggy Ziegler, D
Teri Rahmsdorff, A
Judy Montgomery, A

St. Barnabas, Bonanza

Bruce McCoy, SW Jan McCoy, JW Dee Dee Heidrich, D

St. Andrew's, Burns

Charles Cagle, SW Ann Thew, D Marjorie Thelen, D Sally Lovins, A

St. Thomas, Canyon City

Beth Spell, D Jim Spell, D Julie Reynolds, D

St. Patrick's, Enterprise

Ann Hayes, SW Linda Kruger-Ebbert, JW *Katy Nesbitt, D*

All Saints, Heppner

Charles Anderson, SW Dan Sharp, JW Diana Sharp, D Merlin Hughes, A

St. John's, Hermiston

Loren Davidson, SW Sam Weimer, JW Carol Johnson, D Leslie Weimer, A

St. Mark's, Hood River

Dave Anderson, SW Cal Cargill, JW Nealya Cargill, D Lois Butler, D

St. Paul's, Klamath Falls

Brian Fitz Gerald, SW Dr. Ralph Eccles, JW Fabian Baker, D Kerry Tingley, A

St. Peter's, La Grande

*G Royes, SW*Susanna Ogsten, D *Arnold Coe, D*

St. Luke's, Lakeview

Pamela Warren, SW Joan Dickson, JW Shirley McAdoo, D

St. Mark's, Madras

Ken Black, SW Marcia Black, JW Sue Powers, D

St. James', Milton-Freewater

Marty Nyman, SW Barbara Coddington, JW Diana St. Hilaire, D Jon St. Hilaire, A

St. Paul's, Nyssa

Lucy Bierig, SW Margie Williams, JW Fred Bierig, D

St. Matthew's, Ontario

Tim Lanterman, SW Randy Miles, JW Trina Sherman, D

Church of the Redeemer, Pendleton

Ann Marie Hardin, SW Stephanie Timm, JW Bruce Barnes, D

St. Andrew's, Prineville

Jan Uffleman, SW Stan Wiggins, JW Jean Wintermute, D Nancy Condron, A

St. Alban's, Redmond

Don Scott, SW Gard Eriksen, JW Laverne Eriksen

Church of the Transfiguration, Sisters

Jerry Hanford, SW Joe Gunterman, JW Helen Keefe, D Adrienne Brown, D

All Saints of the Cascades, Sunriver

Randy Heise, SW Gregg Henton, JW Mary Link, D

St. Paul's, The Dalles

Diane Adams, SW Jill Durrow, JW Ned Kice, D Janeal Booren, D

Diocesan Council, Lay Delegates

Karly Nash Marjorie Thelen Bill Taylor

Standing Committee, Lay Delegates

Kim McClain

Secretary of Convention

Doug Harder

<u>Treasurer</u>

Jerry Frazier

Chancellor

Kim Mosier

Congregations Entitled to Lay Representation

From each congregation, two wardens, plus an elected delegate or alternate for each 100 members or major fraction thereof, are entitled to seat, voice and vote in Convention. An alternate may serve as a delegate in place of one warden's position.

Madras

Redmond

Bend

Klamath Falls

† Bonanza (Langell Valley)

Sunriver

Prineville

The Dalles

† Heppner

Canyon City

t Burns

NORTHWEST CONVOCATION

HOOD RIVER, St. Mark's

THE DALLES, St. Paul's

NORTHCENTRAL CONVOCATION

HEPPNER, All Saints

HERMISTON, St. John's

MILTON-FREEWATER, St. James'

PENDLETON, Church of the Redeemer Sisters

NORTHEAST CONVOCATION

BAKER CITY, St. Stephens

ENTERPRISE, St. Patrick's

LA GRANDE, St. Peter's

CENTRAL OREGON CONVOCATION

BEND, Trinity

MADRAS, St. Mark's

PRINEVILLE, St. Andrew's

REDMOND, St. Alban's

SISTERS, Church of the Transfiguration

SUNRIVER, All Saints of the Cascades

SOUTHEAST CONVOCATION

BURNS, St. Andrew's

CANYON CITY, St. Thomas'

NYSSA, St. Paul's

ONTARIO, St. Matthew's

SOUTHWEST CONVOCATION

† Milton-Fre

Pendleto

t Enterorise

Baker City

Nyssa

Vale †

BONANZA, St. Barnabas'

KLAMATH FALLS, St. Paul's

LAKEVIEW, St. Luke's

OTHER MEMBERS OF CONVENTION

Seat, voice and vote: Lay Members of Diocesan Council Secretary of Convention Treasurer of the Diocese