

Journal of the 165th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa



REVIVAL 2017

THE 165TH ANNUAL CONVENTION
OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF IOWA

OCTOBER 27-28, 2017

CLERGY CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF IOWA
and Entitled to Seat, Voice & Vote at the 165th Annual Convention October 27-28, 2017

* Denotes attendance

	Date Received	Whence Received
*The Rt. Rev. Alan Scarfe	March 1, 2003	Los Angeles
The Rev. Canon Thomas Stanford Hulme	June 15, 1955	Ordination
The Rev. Canon Marlin Lee Whitmer	June 22, 1955	Ordination
The Rev. Canon Arthur Paul Becker	August 23, 1961	Fond du Lac
The Rev. Canon Ronald Douglas Osborne	June 24, 1965	Ordination
The Rev. Canon Frederick Ferdinand Kramer	September 2, 1966	Minnesota
The Rev. Canon Glenn Edger Rankin	January 18, 1971	Ordination
The Rev. Robert David Gamble	June 10, 1974	Massachusetts
The Rev. John Irvine Kilby	February 11, 1976	Quincy
The Rev. Canon George Franklin Wharton, III	September 1, 1976	Louisiana
*The Rev. Canon Sally Suzanne Peterson	December 18, 1976	Ordination
The Rev. Wayne Lloyd Pelkey	May 9, 1977	West Missouri
The Rev. Thomas Clyde Putnam	June 23, 1977	Ordination
The Rev. Canon Fred David Titus	May 26, 1978	Ordination
The Rev. Canon Robert Roger Elfvin	October 17, 1978	Ohio
The Rev. William Samuel John Moorhead	August 1, 1980	Nebraska
The Rev. Randall Robert Lyle	December 29, 1982	Colorado
The Rev. Melvin Leslie Low	August 15, 1983	Fond du Lac
The Rev. James Frederick Norton, Jr	November 2, 1984	Southern Ohio
The Rev. Wayne Kenneth Kamm	April 9, 1985	Ordination
*The Rev. Canon Kathleen Sue Milligan	April 18, 1986	Ordination
The Rev. Kristy Kay Smith	May 30, 1986	Ordination
The Rev. Kathryn Sue Campbell	June 11, 1986	Ordination
The Rev. Margaret Yoder Weiner	June 13, 1987	Ordination
The Rev. Peter Lawrence Sickels	October 15, 1987	California
The Rev. Charles Raymond Summers	January 27, 1988	New Jersey
The Rt. Rev. Carl Christopher Epting	September 27, 1988	Consecration
The Rev. Arthur "Paddy" Patrick Stanley	December 1, 1988	Guilford, Surrey England
The Very Rev. John Liston Hall	August 31, 1989	Springfield
The Rev. Susanne Kay Watson Epting	November 4, 1989	Ordination
The Rev. Roy Lee Chrisman	March 2, 1991	Nebraska
The Rev. Charles Michael Pumphrey	September 1, 1991	Maryland
*The Rev. Alexander Anthony Aiton	September 30, 1991	Central Pennsylvania
The Rev. Canon Peter Oliver Sanderson	November 1, 1991	Brechin, Scotland
The Rev. Julia Kathleen Easley	June 1, 1992	Kansas
*The Rev. Liane Mae Nichols	October 18, 1992	Ordination
The Rev. William Walter Magie	March 17, 1993	Ordination
The Rev. Benjamin Sewell Webb	March 30, 1993	Ordination
The Rev. Elizabeth Coulter	September 21, 1993	Ordination
The Rev. Charles Maurice Pope	November 30, 1993	Ordination
*The Rev. Richard Warren Graves	March 10, 1994	Los Angeles
The Rev. Leon Henry Pfothenhauer	April 25, 1995	Ordination
*The Rev. Mary Jane Kaisersatt Oakland	June 7, 1995	Ordination
The Rev. Mary Elizabeth Hoffman	August 15, 1995	Ordination

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The Rev. John Brammer Harper	September 16, 1995	Ordination
*The Rev. Charles Lewis Lane	October 6, 1995	Ordination
*The Rev. Mark Eldon Eccles	December 3, 1995	Ordination
The Rev. Patrick Edward Genereux	December 5, 1995	South Dakota
The Rev. Patricia Joyce Roberts	December 17, 1995	Ordination
The Rev. Donald Robert Payer	December 19, 1995	Ordination
The Rev. Elizabeth Mary Koffron-Eisen	January 7, 1996	Ordination
The Rev. Karen Wacome	March 23, 1996	Ordination
The Rev. Margaret Stilwell Harris	April 13, 1996	Ordination
The Rev. August Fred Berger	November 16, 1996	Ordination
The Rev. Netha Nadine Brada	August 23, 1997	Ordination
The Rev. Dian Marie Ong	September 17, 1997	Ordination
The Rev. Donald Graham Twentymen, Jr	September 29, 1998	Minnesota
The Rev. Elsa "Muffy" Ellen Harmon	January 10, 1999	Ordination
*The Rev. Patricia Ann Johnson	April 24, 1999	Ordination
The Rev. Mary Eleni Christopher	July 13, 1999	New Jersey
The Rev. Linda Mae Hughes	September 9, 1999	Indiana
The Rev. Lynne Tyson Carver	October 31, 1999	Chicago
*The Rev. Martha Ellen Lang	November 22, 1999	Ordination
*The Rev. Jean Elizabeth Rinner McCarthy	May 27, 2000	Ordination
The Rev. Artis Louise Ferrel	June 3, 2000	Ordination
The Rev. Stephanie Marie Green Tramel	June 10, 2000	Ordination
The Rev. George William Rogerson	April 7, 2001	Ordination
*The Rev. Merle Edwin Smith	April 7, 2001	Ordination
The Rev. Kathleen Ruth McDowell Tripses	April 7, 2001	Ordination
The Very Rev. Cathleen Chittenden Bascom	June 1, 2001	Kansas
The Rev. Robert Andrew Kem	February 27, 2002	Nebraska
The Rev. Melvin Harlan Schlachter	March 1, 2002	Southern Ohio
The Rev. Sharon Marie Mahood	June 21, 2002	Minnesota
The Rev. Barbara Marie McCaulley	October 16, 2002	Ordination
The Rev. Maureen Catherine Doherty	February 11, 2003	Oklahoma
*The Rev. Anne Elizabeth Moats Williams	May 23, 2003	Ordination
*The Rev. Terence James Kleven	July 17, 2003	Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador
The Rev. James Lloyd Davis	September 2, 2003	Milwaukee
The Rev. William Joseph Pugliese	October 10, 2003	Spokane
*The Rev. Mary Elaine Cole-Duvall	May 18, 2004	Delaware
The Rev. Margaret "Peg" Ruth Brosz Jackson	June 12, 2004	Ordination
*The Rev. Wendy Kay Abrahamson	August 1, 2004	Virginia
The Rev. Tim E. Vann	September 1, 2004	Nebraska
The Rev. Curtis Roghair Moermond	December 18, 2004	Ordination
The Rev. Lori Jean Erickson	April 16, 2005	Ordination
*The Rev. Alice Bordwell Fulton Haugen	April 30, 2005	Ordination
*The Rev. Catherine Mary Quehl-Engel	September 2, 2005	Ordination
*The Rev. Carl Douglas Mann	December 3, 2005	Ordination
*The Rev. Jan "Raisin" Maria Horn	December 16, 2006	Ordination
*The Rev. John Charles Horn	December 16, 2006	Ordination

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*The Rev. Elizabeth Carol Duff Popplewell	December 16, 2006	Ordination
The Rev. Sallie Cheavens Verrette	December 16, 2006	Ordination
*The Rev. Donald Franklin Keeler	December 17, 2006	Ordination
*The Rev. Vincent Songaben Bete	June 18, 2007	North Central Philippines
The Rev. Judith Connie Dalmasso	June 23, 2007	Ordination
*The Rev. Mark Edwin Holmer	October 1, 2007	ELCA-CCM
*The Rev. John Stephen Doherty	October 7, 2007	Ordination
*The Rev. Sue Ann Raymond	October 25, 2007	Colorado
*The Rev. Martha Ruth Kester	October 29, 2007	Central Florida
*The Rev. Kent Howard Anderson	June 4, 2008	Ordination
*The Rev. Cathi Head Bencken	August 12, 2008	Western New York
*The Rev. Judith Hale Wallace Crossett	February 8, 2009	Ordination
*The Rev. Melody Neustrom Rockwell	February 21, 2009	Ordination
*The Rev. Diane Lynn Eddy	February 22, 2009	Ordination
The Rev. Martha Crowley Rogers	June 1, 2009	Colorado
*The Rev. John Haven Greve	July 26, 2009	Ordination
The Rev. Jennifer Ann Masada	July 26, 2009	Ordination
*The Rev. Jane Louise Stewart	July 26, 2009	Ordination
*The Rev. Sean Dennis Burke	October 2, 2009	California
The Rev. Lyle Leslie Brown	October 25, 2009	Ordination
The Rev. Barbara Ann Easley	October 25, 2009	Ordination
The Rev. James Gordon Kannenberg	October 25, 2009	Ordination
The Rev. Georgia Lehman Humphrey	January 19, 2010	Colorado
The Rev. Kathryn Ann Halverson-Rigatuso	January 23, 2010	Ordination
The Rev. Shelley Ray Dowling	May 9, 2010	Ordination
The Rev. Marilyn Marie Wentzien	May 9, 2010	Ordination
*The Rev. Christine Annette Gowdy-Jaehnig	June 6, 2010	Ordination
*The Rev. James Cade Griesheimer	June 6, 2010	Ordination
*The Rev. Jeannette Noyes Pillsbury	June 6, 2010	Ordination
*The Rev. Stacey Pecaut Gerhart	March 2, 2011	Ordination
*The Rev. Diana Lee Wright	December 17, 2011	Ordination
The Rev. Patricia Ann Kirkland	January 8, 2012	Ordination
The Rev. Sarah Dempster Lopez	January 28, 2012	Ordination
*The Rev. Kevin Ray Emge	July 1, 2012	Ordination
*The Rev. Jean Douglas Smith	May 18, 2013	Ordination
*The Rev. Ruth Evelyn Ratliff	June 8, 2013	Ordination
*The Rev. Bonnie Carver Wilkerson	July 6, 2013	Ordination
*The Rev. Sheryl Ann Hughes Empke	December 7, 2013	Ordination
The Rev. Hannah Elyse Cornthwaite	December 7, 2013	Ordination
*The Rev. Karen Graham Crawford	December 7, 2013	Ordination
*The Rev. Frederick Leo Steinbach	December 7, 2013	Ordination
The Rev. Paul Edward Walker	December 31, 2013	Bethlehem
The Rev. Randy Lee Webster	December 31, 2013	Bethlehem
The Rev. Kelly Ann Shields	February 1, 2014	Ordination
*The Rev. Lauren Jean Lyon	May 9, 2014	West Missouri
The Rev. Warren Fredrick Frelund	May 20, 2014	Wyoming

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*The Rev. Kay Joan Beach	July 5, 2014	Ordination
*The Rev. Mary Margaret Wagner	December 6, 2014	Ordination
*The Rev. Kathleen Ann Travis	December 6, 2014	Ordination
*The Rev. Holly Danielle Scherff	December 6, 2014	Ordination
The Rev. Judith Ann Thayer	December 6, 2014	Ordination
*The Rev. Kristine Kathryn Leaman	February 15, 2015	Ordination
*The Rev. Troy Cavan Beecham	April 1, 2015	Atlanta
*The Rev. Steven Robert Godfrey	April 14, 2015	Chicago
*The Rev. Lydia Kelsey Bucklin	August 6, 2015	Ordination
*The Rev. Elaine Sue Caldbeck	October 16, 2015	Southern Ohio
*The Rev. Kenneth Blaine Messer	December 12, 2015	Ordination
*The Rev. Marcus John Haack	December 19, 2015	Ordination
*The Rev. Jay Denne	February 1, 2016	ELCA-CCM
The Rev. Filemon Diaz	August 1, 2016	ELCA-CCM
*The Rev. Thomas Michael Early	December 10, 2016	Ordination
*The Rev. Marilyn van Duffelen	January 16, 2017	Moosonee, Anglican Church of Canada
*The Rev. Joan Elizabeth Farstad	February 11, 2017	Ordination
*The Rev. Michael A. Last	April 19, 2017	ELCA-CCM
*The Rev. Stephanie Patterson Moncrieff	August 11, 2017	Texas

Lay Delegates to the 165th Convention

**Denotes Lay Alternate that served during convention in place of an absent Lay Delegate*

Algona, St. Thomas' Church

Barb Goecke

Ames, St. John's Church

Bruce Bjorklund

Nicola Bowler

Ed Gillott

Corey Mellies

Dorothy Yoerger

Ankeny, St. Anne's by the Fields

Mary Oliver

Bettendorf, St. Peter's Church

Jane Hoffman

Linda Neuman

Boone, Grace Church

Catherine Schroeder

Burlington, Christ Church

Michelle Moore

Cedar Falls, St. Luke's Church

Jennifer Rasmussen

Kevin Sanders

Betsy Zan

Cedar Rapids, Christ Church

Doug Anderson

Aileen Chang-Matus

Jerry Davenport

Grace Fleming

Lesley Fleming

Judy Frantz

Julie Milligan

Paula Sanchini

Cedar Rapids, Grace Church

Bill Davis

Sandra Ong

Chariton, St. Andrew's Church

Sherry Steinbach

Clermont, Church of the Saviour

Marva Eck

Maire Powell

Clinton, Christ Church Nancy Nieland

Coralville, New Song Church

Syndy Conger

Cindy Harrington

Council Bluffs, St. Paul's Church

Annaleah Moore

Davenport, St. Alban's Church

Grant Curtis

Davenport, Trinity Cathedral

Karen Brooke

Linda Crossett

Ashley Ford

Mike Ford

Decorah, Grace Church

Allison Gomersall

Des Moines, Cathedral Church of St. Paul

Julianne Allaway

Harold Alexander

Diane Hayes

Nanette Johnson

Kimela Weisenborn

Anna Whipple

Des Moines, St. Andrew's Church

Leigh Hollis-Caruso

Janet Nelson

Des Moines, St. Luke's Church

Dash Kelley

Des Moines, St. Mark's Church

Abraham Agu

Dubuque, St. John's Church

Susan Forshey

Emmetsburg, Trinity Church

David Nixon

Fort Dodge, St. Mark's Church

John Daniel

Glenwood, St. John's Church

Karen McCallan

Grinnell, St. Paul's Church

Pat Cushing

Dee Fairchild

Harlan, St. Paul's Church

William "Bill" Early

Independence, St. James' Church

Wanda Stahl

Indianola, All Saint's Church

Brad Gipple

Iowa City, Trinity Church

Laura Christensen

Andrew Jetton

John Michalski

Michael Moore

Donna Prime

Anne Tanner

Donna Wong-Gibbons

Iowa Falls, St. Matthew's by the Bridge

Ginger Hansen

Keokuk, St. John's Church

Meg Oliver Mills

Maquoketa, St. Mark's Church

Karen North

Marshalltown, St. Paul's Church

David Bursley

Mason City, St. John's Church

Shelby Benitz

Jay Leaman

Rita Paxson

Mount Pleasant, St. Michael's Church

Cyndy Danielson

Muscatine, Trinity Church

Carol Allison

Debra Elliott

Newton, St. Stephen's Church

Christopher Templeton

Kathy Trotter

Orang City, Church of the Savior

Mike Kugler

Oskaloosa, St. James' Church

Shane Vernooy

Ottumwa, Trinity Church

Michael Johns

Perry, St. Martin's

Don Ruggle

Sioux City, Calvary Church

Sue Berry

Sioux City, St. Paul's Indian Mission

Roberta White

Sioux City, St. Thomas' Church

Mark Wepner

Toby Varvais

Spirit Lake, St. Alban's Church

John Barrow

Charles Wiest

Storm Lake, All Saints' Church

Waterloo, Trinity Church

Matt Aronson

Judy Henry

Waverly, St. Andrew's Church

Susan Cornforth

Webster City, Church of the Good Shepherd

Thomas "Tom" McLaughlin

West Des Moines, St. Timothy's Church

Tom Carpenter

Mary Scout Cole Duvall

Maureen Hada

Mike McGill

Jennifer "Jennie" McKinney

Vince Preston

Kate Saunders

Kevin Saunders

William "Bill" Smith

Annie Waskom

Youth Delegates

Allie Schirmer (*Grace Church, Cedar Rapids*)

Kate Saunders (*St. Timothy's Church, West Des Moines*)

Thomas Wagner (*St. Peter's Church, Bettendorf*)

Chancellors

Tom Carpenter (*St. Timothy's Church, West Des Moines*)

Linda Neuman, (*St. Peter's Church, Bettendorf*)

Registrar

Julianne Allaway (*Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Des Moines*)

Treasurer

William "Bill" Smith (*St. Timothy's Church, West Des Moines*)

**Minutes of the 165th Annual Convention
Episcopal Diocese of Iowa
27-28 October, 2017**

Friday, 27 October

Plenary I

The 165th Convention of the Diocese of Iowa began at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, 27 October with worship drawn from the Liturgy for the Revival of 2017. Bishop Scarfe then called the meeting to order at 11:19 a.m. The Reverend Mary Jane Oakland, chair of the Credentials Committee certified that quorum, as defined in Article VII, Section of the Constitution of the Diocese was present for the transaction of business. Bishop Scarfe called for a Roll Call of those present. The Reverend Jean McCarthy moved that the Roll Call be dispensed with, and that attendance be taken from Registration. The motion was seconded and passed. The bishop then called for the reading of the Minutes of the 164th Convention. The Very Reverend John Horn moved to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes as they appear in the Journal of the 164th Convention. The motion was seconded and carried.

Bishop Scarfe welcomed all of those we were attending the Convention. He articulated the focus for the next year. Following up on Revival 2017, 2018 will focus on Growing Iowa Leaders. He then welcomed special guests:

Pat Millar: from our Companion Diocese of Brechin
The Reverend Canon Stephanie Spellers: Bishop Curry's Canon for Evangelism

The bishop then highlighted the presence of youth at the Convention, noting that a number of our youngest members are in child care here at the hotel, and that there is Youth Conference running concurrently at the Cathedral for a number of our young members. We have several older youth present as visitors, and four youth deputies:

Grace Fleming (Christ Church, Cedar Rapids)
Maire Powell (Church of the Saviour, Clermont)
Kate Saunders (St. Timothy's Church, West Des Moines)
Mary Scout Cole Duvall (St. Timothy's Church, West Des Moines)

After reminders concerning registration and name tags, Bishop Scarfe called on the Reverend Jean McCarthy, chair of the Dispatch of Business Committee. McCarthy's motion follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the agenda for this 165th Convention, as prepared by the Dispatch of Business Committee and the Secretary of Convention, be adopted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rules of Order as approved by the 156th Convention of the Diocese of Iowa, be the Rules of Order for this 165th Convention.

The motion was seconded and passed.

Mary Jane Oakland came forward with a further report. She moved that the 165th Convention grant seat and voice to the following individuals:

Resolutions Committee:

Donna Scarfe, St. Paul's Cathedral, Des Moines

Diocesan Staff:

Anne Wagner, Comptroller
Lacey Howard, Youth Missioner

Diocesan Coordinators & Chairs:

David Oakland, Commission on One World, One Church
Marcia Powell, United Thank Offering

AV Tech:

Kevin Wolff

Special Guests:

Stephanie Spellers –Keynote Speaker
Pat Millar – Companion Diocese of Brechin

Licensed Clergy:

Charles Bencken
Robert “Bob” North
Milton Cole-Duvall

Aspirant (not a delegate):

Greg Cotton (Trinity Church, Iowa City)

Postulants (not a delegate)

Nicola Bowler (St. John’s by the Campus)
Jennifer Briggs Latham (St. Paul’s Church, Grinnell)
Elizabeth Walters Gillman (St. Andrew’s Church, Des Moines)
James Allen (Jake) Andrews, III (Trinity Church, Iowa City)
Zebulon (Zeb) Treloar-Reid (St Paul Cathedral, Des Moines)

CANDIDATES (not a delegate)

Stephen Mark Benitz (St. John’s Church, Mason City)
Elizabeth Cone Preston (St. Alban’s Church, Spirit Lake)

The motion was seconded and carried.

The reports to Convention, including the report of the Acts of the Bishop, reports by diocesan Boards, Commissions, Committees, Officers and Coordinators; financial reports and diocesan statistics were available on the web site for 30 days. The Three Rivers Chapter Report was added on page 33; and the adjusted report of lay compensation on page 60. On the motion of John Horn, duly second, the reports were accepted as presented.

The next order of business was the election of officers for the Convention. The Reverend Jean McCarthy nominated the Rev. Canon Kathleen Milligan (Christ Church, Cedar Rapids). There being no further nominations, Milligan was elected. She then appointed the Reverend Lauren Lyon as Assistant Secretary.

The Reverend Jean McCarthy nominated Mr. William Smith, Jr., (St. Timothy’s, West Des Moines) as Treasurer of the Convention. There being no further nominations, Smith was elected.

Bishop Scarfe then appointed the Reverend Elizabeth Popplewell (St. Luke's, Cedar Falls) as Chaplain for the 165th Convention, and invited her to be seated on the dais, where she could be asked to lead the Convention in prayer.

The bishop then asked for confirmation of Diocesan Officers for the coming year. He nominated Ms. Linda Neuman (St. Peter's, Bettendorf) as Diocesan Chancellor; Mr. Dan Kaiser (St. Paul's, Grinnell) as Diocesan Historiographer; Canon Julianne Allaway as Diocesan Registrar; and Mr. William Smith as Diocesan Treasurer. All were approved.

The first of several video presentations was made at this time. It highlighted the Revival 2017. Bishop Scarfe gave thanks for all who had attended and supported the Revivals, as well as those on the diocesan and local teams who had helped to plan them.

Bishop Scarfe called on our Treasurer, Bill Smith and diocesan Comptroller, Anne Wagner for the financial reports for 2016 and for 2017 to date. Bill reported that our expenses exceeded our income for 2016 by \$10,764 which was covered by our Working Capital Supplement. The budget for 2017 was adjusted in mid-year to reflect pledges that came in lower than anticipated; but it looks as though we are set to finish the year pretty much on track with the adjusted budget. Smith then drew attention to the rest of the financials, found following page 33 in the Report Booklet.

The Reverend Marilyn Van Duffelen was called to the platform to give her report. She is a priest who was received into the Diocese of Iowa during 2017 as the vicar of St. Paul's Indian Mission. With a video presentation, she detailed her work with the people of St. Paul's as well as joint work with other congregations in the Siouxland Area.

Bishop Scarfe then called on the Reverend Raisin Horn (Christ Church, Clinton) Chair of the Nominations Committee, for its report. The Nominations Report has been on the Diocesan Website for the requisite period of time. Horn placed the following in nomination:

The Standing Committee (3 year terms): (1 cleric and 1 lay member to be elected)

Clergy:

Elizabeth Duff Popplewell (St. Luke's, Cedar Falls)

Anne Williams (St. Mark's Church, Anamosa)

Lay:

Karen Brooke (Trinity Cathedral, Davenport)

Alescha Caldwell (Christ Church, Clinton)

Gregory Jones (St. Thomas' Church, Sioux City)

There being no further nominations, John Horn moved to close the nominations. The motion was seconded and carried.

At-large Members – Directors of the Episcopal Corporation (1 cleric and 1 lay member, 3-year terms)

Cleric:

Kathleen Milligan (Christ Church, Cedar Rapids)

Lay:

Ed Gillott (St. John's by the Campus, Ames)

Sarah Thompson (Grace Church, Cedar Rapids)

John Horn moved to close nominations. The motion was seconded and carried.

Horn then presented the names of those nominated as Chapter Representatives to the Board of Directors. All had given consent to their nomination.

Vincent Bete (St. Anne's, Ankeny) Metro Chapter
Lauren Lyon (Trinity, Iowa City) Three Rivers Chapter
William "Bill" Early (St. Paul's, Harlan) Southwest Chapter

The Disciplinary Board (3 clerics , 2 lay members – two year terms)

Clergy:

Lauren Lyon (Trinity, Iowa City)
Anne Williams (St. Mark's, Anamosa)
Diana Wright (Trinity Church, Carroll)

Lay:

Cindy Danielson (St. Michael's, Mount Pleasant)
Jane Hoffman (St. Peter's, Bettendorf)

John Horn moved to close nominations. The motion was seconded and carried.

Kathleen Milligan, Secretary of Convention, and the Rev. Carl Mann (Christ Church, Burlington), Chair of Elections, were called on to give an overview of the new voting procedure. The procedure is for an electronic vote to be taken, using either personal devices, or provided kiosks with lap tops. Each delegate had his/her own personal I.D. and PIN number. These would be keyed in at the prompt in the website for the elections. Help was available at the Credentials desk. The voting period began at the close of the session, and continued until 3:35 p.m. The Hare Transferable Ballot was used for these elections.

The Bishop then recessed the Convention and called on Chaplain Elizabeth Popplewell for prayers.

Plenary Session Two

Plenary Session Two began with the singing of a hymn, and a video presentation on Diocesan Relief Missions during 2017. Groups made trips to help with flood recovery in Louisiana and in Missouri.

Bishop Scarfe then introduced Ms. Pat Millar from our Companion Diocese of Brechin in Scotland. She spoke to us about the benefits of the ongoing relationship between our two dioceses, and also shared her experiences with our other Companion, the Diocese of Swaziland. She expressed her appreciation for our Bishop and for the rich experience of over 30 years sharing our ministry concerns with each other.

Bishop Scarfe then called upon the Reverend Lauren Lyon (Trinity, Iowa City) Chair of the Resolutions Committee, to give its report. She reported that two resolutions had been received in a timely manner; and they were to be found on the web site, and made available to the Convention. There were no late resolutions.

On behalf of the Resolutions Committee, Lyon moved Resolution 165A:

Companion Relationship with the Diocese of Nzara, Episcopal Church of South Sudan:

BE IT RESOLVED, that this 165th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa agrees to extend the Companion Relationship with the Episcopal Diocese of Nzara in the Republic of South Sudan, and that this Relationship will extend for a period of five years, to be renewed only after evaluation by the Bishop of Iowa and the One World One Church Commission, which will present a follow-up resolution at the 170th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the focus of the Companionship will be primarily on building relationships between the two Dioceses: through sharing of prayer lists: through exchange visits, especially of experts in various disciplines: through the appointment of a Nzara Companionship Steering Committee: through the development of a diocesan wide-Nzara Companions group who will covenant to pray regularly for the Companionship, engaging in direct communications with members of the Diocese of Nzara and keeping the Diocese of Iowa informed about both Nzara and the larger concerns of the Republic of South Sudan: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Diocese of Iowa may, in the future, explore the possibility of expanding this Companionship to include one or more of the current Companion Partners in Brechin and Swaziland, and that funding for all projects related to the new Companionship will be agreed upon through the channels of the Bishop's Office. The original Companion Relationship was entered into at the 160th Convention in 2012. The Resolution called for renewal in five years.

The motion was seconded and carried. At this point, Bishop Scarfe read the following letter to the assembled Convention:

Dear Bishop Alan Scarfe,

Greetings to you from the Diocese of Nzara, in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan: in the precious name of Christ our Lord and Savior, Amen.

May I take this opportunity to greet the members of the Diocesan Convention number 165. The Diocese of Nazra is extremely delighted to learn of the extension of our companionship with the Diocese of Iowa for another five years. Thank you very much. In the last five years we have indeed been blessed, encouraged, supported in many ways for which we are grateful.

It is our prayer that the next five years will be years that we will be able to continue to deepen our relationship more and more. We can only serve God and demonstrate God's love to those we see. On our part we will do all we can to make it a living relationship. May God bless you abundantly.

Yours in Christ

The Rt. Rev Samuel Enosa Peni

Bishop of Nzara Diocese

Lyon, on behalf of the Resolutions Committee, presented Resolution 165B

Of the Authority of Priests-in-Charge

BE IT RESOLVED, that a new Canon 20, titled "Of the Authority of Priests-in Charge" be added to the canons as follows: When, after consultation with the Vestry, the Bishop appoints a Priest-in-Charge pursuant to Canon III.9.3(b) of the Canons of the Episcopal Church for a congregation in the Diocese, that Priest-in-Charge exercises the duties and privileges of a Rector subject to the authority of the Bishop. The Rector's duties and authority, outlined in Canon III.9.6

of the Canons of the Episcopal Church, shall be incorporated into a Covenant of Ministry between the clergy person being named Priest-in- Charge, an authorized member of the Vestry, and the Bishop. Once agreed upon, the Covenant of Ministry shall not be modified or terminated without the written approval of the Bishop.

This new canon clarifies, and makes consistent with the Canons of the Episcopal Church, the governing authority and covenant relationship that exists between the Bishop, the Vestry and a clergy person who is appointed Priest-in-Charge by the Bishop in this Dioceses. (Submitted by the Co-Chancellors)

The resolution was duly seconded and was passed.

Bishop Scarfe then called upon the Secretary of the Convention, the Rev. Canon Kathleen Milligan to read the proposed changes to the Constitution and Canons of the Episcopal Church. These amendments were passed for the first time at the 78th General Convention in 2015. They are to be affirmed at the 79th General Convention in 2018. She read the following amendments:

B011: Amend Article II.7

Resolved, that the Constitution of the General Convention (2012) Article II.7 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 7: The House of Bishops may elect a Bishop Suffragan who, under the direction of the Presiding Bishop, shall be in charge of the work of persons of this Church who serve as chaplains in the Armed Forces of the United States, and such other agencies as may be specified by the Presiding Bishop. The Bishop Suffragan so elected shall be ordained and consecrated and hold office under such conditions and limitations other than those provided in this Article as may be provided by Canons of the General Convention.

D007 Amend Article 5

Resolved, that Article V, Section 1 is amended to read as follows:

A new Diocese may be formed, with the consent of the General Convention and under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by General Canon or Canons, (1) by the division of an existing Diocese; (2) by the junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses; or (3) by the erection into a Diocese of an unorganized area evangelized as provided in Article VI. The proceedings shall originate in a Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the unorganized area called by the Ecclesiastical Authority for that purpose; or with the approval of the Ecclesiastical Authority, in the Convention of the Diocese to be divided; or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more existing Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses) by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese. After consent of the General Convention, when a certified copy of the duly adopted Constitution of the new Diocese, including an unqualified accession to the Constitution and Canons of this Church, shall have been filed with the Secretary of the General convention and approved by the Executive Council of this Church, such new Diocese shall thereupon be in union with the General Convention.

D008: Amend Article I.1

Resolved, that Article I, Section 1 of the Constitution is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1 There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses will sit, debate, and vote separately, unless otherwise provided for by this Constitution or the Canons. The Houses by majority vote of each House may call for the Houses to sit, debate, and vote, or any combination thereof, together. The General Convention may by Canon establish procedures for such sessions. In all deliberations, freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, and all acts of Convention shall be adopted and be authenticated by both Houses.

The above proposed Amendments are for informational purposes. No action by the Annual Convention is required at this time.

With time allowed, the session continued with the affirmation of Memorial Resolutions. Lyon offered them with the reminder that all had been passed in a timely manner at regular meetings of the Diocesan Council and Board of Directors throughout the year, and were presented for affirmation by the Diocesan Convention. The Resolutions follow:

Memorial Resolution for The Rev. Paul Arthur Fuessel Jr

WHEREAS, The Rev. Paul Arthur Fuessel Jr entered into eternal life on Friday August 4, 2017: and

WHEREAS, Paul served Episcopal congregations in Nebraska, Virginia and Illinois prior to coming to Iowa and serving as Rector of Grace Episcopal Church in Cedar Rapids from 1999-2009; and

WHEREAS, while raising his family, he served in the Army and retired as Sgt 1st Class; and

WHEREAS, in retirement Paul continued to serve Christ at Calvary Episcopal Church in Cumberland Furnace, TN where he worshipped and occasionally led services; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa give thanks to God for the life and ministry of The Rev. Paul Arthur Fuessel Jr among us, and extends its sympathies to his entire family and to the people of the Diocese of Tennessee.

Memorial Resolution for the Reverend Larry G. Gatrel

WHEREAS the Reverend Larry G. Gatrel served the Diocese of Iowa faithfully and well: and

WHEREAS he received a theology degree from the Episcopal Seminary of Kentucky in Lexington, and was ordained to the priesthood in October of 1977; and

WHEREAS he served Trinity Church in Carroll and Trinity in Sac City until 1985; and St. Stephens' in Spencer and in St. Alban's, Spirit Lake from 1985 until St. Stephen's merged with St. Alban's in 1993, and then continued at St. Alban's until his retirement in 1999; and

WHEREAS he was active and involved in the Diocese in a multitude of capacities: Ministries with youth and especially in Camp and Conference ministries, building on his love of the outdoors; Ministry on the Human Needs Commission of the diocese reflecting his compassion and commitment to those in need; and his activities with the Cursillo movement in the Diocese of Iowa, serving as Spiritual Director for several weekends; and

WHEREAS he served on the Diocesan Board of Directors, the Standing Committee, and as a delegate to several Provincial Synods; and

WHEREAS service in his local community was always a significant part of his larger ministry; and

WHEREAS he entered the church triumphant on June 25, 2017;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors gives thanks for his abundant faith and the gifts that flowed from it, for his inspired and innovative ministries, and for his generosity of spirit.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we convey our sympathy and best wishes to Janice, his wife of 64 years; and to their children and grandchildren; and that this resolution be forwarded to the Diocesan Convention for its endorsement.

Memorial Resolution for the Rev. Canon Robert William Kem

WHEREAS, The Rev. Canon Robert William Kem has entered into eternal life on Sunday, June 25, 2017 at the age of 96; and

WHEREAS, after serving as a special agent in the F.B.I. and a Lt. in the U.S. Navy during WWII, he was ordained priest in 1950 and assigned to begin a mission in Northwest Des Moines, and

WHEREAS, Robert served as a faithful priest until his retirement on December 31, 1987 having offered 36 years of faithful service to the people of St. Andrew's in Des Moines; served as Vicar of St. John's, Lincoln, England (1965-66); and as Interim Dean at Trinity Cathedral in Davenport and at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Des Moines.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa gives thanks to God for the life and ministry of The Rev. Canon Robert William Kem among us, and extends its sympathies to his entire family.

Memorial Resolution for Nancy Lee Ziese

WHEREAS, Nancy Lee Ziese was an active and faithful member of the Episcopal Church in Iowa for many years, in Sioux City, and in Cedar Rapids; and

WHEREAS, she served the Diocese of Iowa on the Commission on Ministry, the Standing Committee, and as Deputy to General Convention four times; and whereas her advice and counsel were always valuable to the bishops with whom she served; and

WHEREAS, she bore her Christian witness in the public sphere in organizations and charities which served human needs, especially those of children and families; and

WHEREAS, throughout her life she made her voice heard on issues of peace, justice and human and civil rights; and

WHEREAS, this faithful servant entered into the larger life on February 24, 2017

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors/Diocesan Council of the Diocese of Iowa gives thanks for this forthright and faithful servant, and expresses our sympathy and care to her husband Jerry; to her daughter GiGi, and her grandson Deegan, who was her great joy.

Lyon moved to affirm these Memorial Resolutions as passed by the Diocesan Council/Board of Directors. The motion was seconded and carried.

Lyon then presented the following Memorial Resolutions to be passed by the Convention itself.

Memorial Resolution for the Reverend Roger Burton Rollins

WHEREAS the Reverend Roger Burton Rollins was ordained as a presbyter in the Episcopal Church in 1962 in the Diocese of Western Michigan; and whereas he served parishes in Michigan and in Ohio before coming to Iowa as Rector of St. Michael's Church in Cedar Rapids Iowa (now part of the merged Christ Church); and

WHEREAS he served that parish for nine years, during a time of growth including the building of an Education Wing around a Courtyard; and

WHEREAS he served on the Property Committee during his tenure in the Diocese; and

WHEREAS he entered the Church triumphant on 1 December, 2016;

BE IT RESOLVED that this 165th Convention of the Diocese of Iowa gives thanks to almighty God for his faithful witness and for his service in this diocese; and that we extend our prayers and deepest sympathy to his wife Mary, and to his daughter Julie for their loss

Memorial Resolution for The Rev. Patricia Ilene Triska

WHEREAS, The Rev. "Patricia Ilene Triska" entered into eternal life on Friday January 20, 2017 at the age of 85: and

WHEREAS, Patricia served as an assistant to her husband Bill at the Episcopal Center in Boone. After her husband's death Pat returned to finish her degree in Nursing and Pat served as a nurse at the Evangelical Free Church Home for many years; and

WHEREAS, Patricia served as the Head Chaplain at the Boone County Hospital, and volunteered at Hospice of Central Iowa, Red Rock Community Action Center, and was a generous giver to many charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, Patricia served at Grace Church, Boone as deacon following her ordination to the diaconate in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Patricia was touched by her two trips to Africa that had a lasting impression on her life; and

WHEREAS, she will be missed by all her family in Boone.

BE IT RESOLVED, that this diocesan convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa give thanks to God for the life and ministry of The Rev. Patricia Ilene Triska (aka Pat) among us, and extends its sympathies to her entire family and to the people of Boone and this Diocese.

On behalf of the Resolutions Committee, Lyon moved the adoption of these resolutions; the motion was seconded and carried.

Bishop Scarfe closed Plenary Session II with reminder notices about the time for voting ended right before the Eucharist, which would begin at 3:35 on the third floor of the hotel.

The Worship Service was followed by Free Time and Social Hour. The Banquet featured the introduction of new clergy, and the Key Note Address by the Reverend Stephanie Spellers. The evening ended with Compline.

Saturday, October 28th

Plenary Session 3

The third plenary session was called to order at 9:04 a.m. Bishop Scarfe introduced the Reverend Kent Anderson (St. John's, Dubuque) to lead Morning Prayer. At the conclusion of the service, the bishop called on Diocesan Treasurer Bill Smith for a report on 2018 Diocesan Funding. Bill reported that the proposed budget had been approved by the Board

of Directors at its September meeting. It anticipates a total of \$792,579 as income from Congregational Pledges, and a total income of \$1,146,679. Expenses are budgeted to match this total. After allowing for questions, Smith moved the adoption of the 2018 Budget as proposed by the Board of Directors at their September 16th meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

Then Bishop Scarfe stood to give his Convention Address. He highlighted the year of Revival and gave notice of a generous anonymous gift to fund the work of the Growing Iowa Leaders Initiative in 2018 and the Engaging All Disciples work in 2019. This is the planned follow-up to Revival 2017, and continues the cluster arrangements that were used for the revivals. He also announced a grant of \$75,000 for the new work on racial justice and reconciliation being facilitated by the Reverends Meg Wagner and Susanne Watson Epting.

Following his address he adjourned the Session by reminding us of the exhibits, and we closed with a song.

Plenary Session IV

The 4th plenary session convened at 11:00 a.m. with Bishop Scarfe announcing the Election Results.

Standing Committee:

Elizabeth Popplewell (cleric - Cedar Falls)

Gregory Jones (lay – Sioux City)

Board of Directors at Large:

Kathleen Milligan (cleric – Christ Church Cedar Rapids)

Ed Gillott (Lay - St. John's, Ames)

Board Chapter Representatives

Vincent Bete (Ankeny) Metro Chapter

Lauren Lyon (Trinity, Iowa City) Three Rivers Chapter

William (Bill) Early (Harlan) Southwest Chapter.

Disciplinary Committee

Clergy

Anne Williams (Anamosa),

Diana Wright (Carroll),

Lauren Lyon (Iowa City).

Laity

Cyndy Danielson (Mount Pleasant)

Jane Hoffman (Bettendorf)

The bishop congratulated those who were elected, and thanked all of those who ran for office. He then called upon the Reverend Lydia Bucklin, Diocesan Young Adult Missioner to give her report on this Ministry within the Diocese. A video presentation highlighted the activities of this past year.

The presentation was followed by a video presentation prepared by the Commission on Ministry. This highlighted interviews with postulants and candidates for ordination in the Diocese of Iowa. They are being formed in a variety of new ways, and they are preparing for ordained ministry in a number of new and unusual contexts.

Bishop Scarfe then invited the Reverend Canon Stephanie Spellers to come forward. Canon Spellers is the Presiding Bishop's Canon for Evangelism, Reconciliation and Renewal of Creation. She led the assembled delegates and visitors through a profound and meaningful exercise in sharing our own faith stories. Her presentation closed with a rousing song, and much applause. The 4th plenary session was closed with announcements and directions for lunch.

Plenary V

Bishop Scarfe called the final plenary session to order at 1:50 and called on The Reverend Susanne Watson Epting and the Reverend Meg Wagner to talk about their work on Racial Reconciliation. This is another new initiative, intending to use "Old Brick" as a center for drawing people together to discuss and confront persistent issues of racism. It will be funded in part, by the grant Bishop Scarfe announced in his address.

Following this presentation, we were invited to watch a video presentation on the recent visit by some of our members to the Diocese of Swaziland. After this presentation, Bishop Scarfe read a letter to us from Bishop Wamukoya:

16 October, 2017

Dear Bishop Alan

Greetings in the wonderful name of Jesus Christ.

We the Bishop and the Diocese of Swaziland send our greetings and prayers as you hold your Annual General Convention, 2017.

We further would like to register our gratitude to the people of Iowa Diocese for all the assistance that has been given to the Diocese of Swaziland which includes money for Neighbourhood Care Points (NCPS), UTO grants, support for the establishment of library among others and more than all your love and prayers.

Last but not least a big thank you to the team that was here in September. We appreciated your visit together with the team from Brechin. You were such a blessing to us and the people of Swaziland.

Yours in Christ

Rt. Rev. Ellinah Wamukoya

Bishop of Swaziland

Bishop Scarfe then spoke of the Alleluia Fund, and we watched a video highlighting the Alleluia Fund Grant recipients named at the 2016 Convention. Turning to the grants for 2017, Bishop Scarfe announced the following Grants, and invited any grant recipients present to come forward as the initiative was announced.

Grace, Cedar Rapids: "Laundry Love"	\$ 2,800
"Old Brick", Iowa City: "Justice, Healing and Reconciliation Center"	\$5,000
St. Andrew's, Waverly: "Friends of the Family NE Iowa Shelter Services"	\$ 2,500
St. Mark's, Des Moines "Messy Church"	\$ 200
Charles City: "Hazelnut Connection"	\$1,500
TOTAL	\$ 12,000

Companion Dioceses	\$ 6,000
Total Collected and Approved	\$18,000

The Bishop then announced the Grants for International Development. These are designated by the One World, One Church Commission in support of the Sustainable Development Goals. By diocesan policy (coming from the 73rd General Convention and the 1998 Lambeth Conference), the guidelines for funding these projects include: Partnership, Respect, Empowerment, Oneness with Creation, Distributive Justice, and People-centered development. We set aside 0.07% of our diocesan budget for this purpose. The grantees announced were:

\$1,000: Refuge Belen (provides women and newborn children at Refuge Belen in Chinadean, Nicaragua with a few essentials such as cloth diapers). In care of St. Luke's, Cedar Falls

\$ 528: Neighborhood Care Points feeding program (Swaziland – Swazi Companions – extension of 2016 request) Mary Jane Oakland

\$2,000: Maphungwane Care Point Kitchen (Swazi Companions) Mary Jane Oakland

\$1,500: Midwife Training (Nzara for three midwives with a goal of improving Midwife capability at the Good Samaritan Health Center in Nzara) Ray Gaebler

\$2,950: School Teacher Training (to support professional training in Uganda for school teachers at St. Timothy's Preschool in Nzara) Ray Gaebler

The bishop then called on the Reverend Wendy Abrahamson from St. Paul's, Grinnell, to give her report. She detailed her work as an unpaid lobbyist on behalf of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa. She shared that the issues she follows are those in keeping with actions or positions taken by the Episcopal Church and/or by the Diocese of Iowa. She reported on the Legislative Day at the State Capitol back in February and she talked about the events planned for December in response to issues of gun violence.

The next video presentation was on Creation Stewardship. It shared the results of work done in several places around the Diocese in the past year.

The final video presentation was given by Lacey Howard, our Youth Missioner. In addition to the usual Youth events this past year (Ski trip, Happening, New Beginnings, EPIC Camp) a number of our young people were able to go to Oklahoma City for the Episcopal Youth Event, which takes place every three years between General Conventions.

Bishop Scarfe then announced the following diocesan appointments for 2018.

Diocesan Pension Fund Treasurer

Ms. Anne Wagner, Diocese of Iowa

Editor of IOWA CONNECTIONS

The Rev. Margaret 'Meg' Wagner, Diocese of Iowa

Altar Guild Directress

Ms. Martha Hippee, Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Des Moines

Companion Dioceses Coordinators:

Diocese of Brechin

Mr. Jim Conger, New Song, Coralville

Diocese of Swaziland

The Rev. Stacey Gerhart, Christ Church, Cedar Rapids

Diocese of Nzara

Mr. Ray Gaebler, St. Timothy's Church, West Des Moines

Disaster Relief Co-Coordinators

Mr. Jerry Davenport, Christ Church, Cedar Rapids

The Rev. Holly Scherff, St. John's Church, Shenandoah

Ecumenical Officer

The Rev. Jean McCarthy, (retired), Diocese of Iowa

Summer Ministry School and Retreat co-directors

The Rev. Ruth Ratliff, St. Luke's Church, Cedar Falls

The Rev. Jeanie Smith, St. Timothy's Church, West Des Moines

Global Missioner (including oversight of Global Goals)

The Rev. Suzanne Peterson, (retired), Diocese of Iowa

Episcopal Relief & Development representative

The Rev. Holly Scherff, St. John's Church, Shenandoah

United Thank Offering Coordinator

Ms. Marcia Powell, Church of the Saviour, Clermont

Commission on Ministry**Terms Expiring 2018**

Chair, The Rev. Al Aiton (St. John's by the Campus, Ames)

The Rev. Cathi Bencken (Trinity Church, Muscatine)

Ms. Jenna Cornick (St. John's Church, Mason City)

The Rev. Judith Crossett (Trinity Church, Iowa City)

Ms. Kristina Kofoot (St. Luke's Church, Cedar Falls)

Mr. Andrew Peterson (Trinity Cathedral, Davenport)

Term Expiring 2019

The Rev. Vincent Bete (Trinity Church, Ottumwa)

The Rev. Stacey Gerhart, (Calvary Church, Sioux City)

Mr. Mike Kugler, (Church of the Savior, Orange City)*

The Rev. Jennifer Masada, (New Song Church, Coralville)

Mr. David Moore, (St. John's by the Campus, Ames)*

Term Expiring 2020

Ms. Julianne Crosmer (Trinity Church, Iowa City) **

The Rev. Mel Schlachter (Iowa City) *
Mr. Keith Hoffman (Trinity Cathedral, Davenport) **
The Rev. Bonnie Wilkerson (St. Luke's Church, Ft. Madison) **
Mr. Kevin Sanders (St. Luke's Church, Cedar Falls) *
The Rev. Anne Williams (St. Mark's Church, Anamosa)**

Ex officio

The Rt. Rev. Alan Scarfe (Diocese of Iowa, Des Moines)
The Rev. Canon Kathleen Milligan, Examining Chaplain
Ms. Ellen Bruckner (Diocesan Staff)

*new appointments
** Re-appointments

Professional Development Leave Committee

Terms Expiring 2018

Dr. Sigmund (Sig) Barber (St. Paul's Church, Grinnell)
The Rev. Canon Kathleen Milligan (Christ Church, Cedar Rapids)

Terms Expiring 2019:

The Rev. Carl Mann (Christ Church, Burlington) *
Mr. David Smith (Grace Church, Decorah)

Terms Expiring 2020

Mr. Kevin Sanders (St. Luke's Cedar Falls)

Diocesan Representatives to Iowa Religious Media Services Board:

The Rev. Jeanie Smith (St. Timothy's Church, West Des Moines)
The Rev. Richard Graves (St. Paul's Church, Marshalltown)

Diocesan Representative to Province VI Council

Continuing Three-year term (beginning 2016)
Ms. Shelby Benitz (St. John's Church, Mason City)

Bishop Scarfe then called on the Reverend Lauren Lyon, chair of the Resolutions Committee to present the Courtesy Resolutions

Lyon presented two resolutions which had been adopted at regularly called meetings of the Diocesan Board of Directors and forwarded for the affirmation of the Diocesan Convention.

The Rev. Judith Jones

WHEREAS, The Rev. Judith Jones, was born in India to missionary parents; and

WHEREAS, Judith completed academic degrees at Point Loma College, Princeton Theological Seminary, and Emory University; and

WHEREAS, she was a Professor of Religion at Wartburg College where

she regularly took students on study/work trips to the Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, and Honduras; and

WHEREAS, she has shared her theological reflections in many arenas including as a regular author of lectionary commentaries, and co-author of *Conversations with Scripture: Daniel* (with E. F. DeSueza; Morehouse, 2011); and

WHEREAS, in December 2004 she was ordained deacon and in June 2005 she was ordained as a priest in the Episcopal Church; and

WHEREAS, Judith served as Priest-in-residence at Grace Church, Charles City, where she will be remembered for her love, counsel, spiritual guidance and healing presence during a difficult period in its journey; and then as Priest-in-charge of St. Andrew's, Waverly, where she will be remembered for her musical leadership, her preaching and her faithful and thoughtful servant/mission leadership within the church and the community; and

WHEREAS, Judith served the Diocese as a member of the One World One Church Commission, as Millennial Development Goals Director, as Jubilee Officer, and as a conference leader; and

Whereas, Judith has retired from her faculty position at Wartburg College and moved to Oregon to become Vicar of St. Luke By-the-Sea, Waldport, and St. Stephen's, Newport;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Diocese of Iowa acknowledge Judith's service, gives thanks for her many contributions to the Diocese and praise God for His work through her ministry.

The Rev. Canon Suzanne Peterson

WHEREAS, The Rev. Canon Suzanne Peterson completed her theological education at the Virginia Theological School in 1972 four years before the Episcopal Church opened the door to ordination of women; and

WHEREAS, in December 1977 she was ordained a priest by Bishop Walter Righter; and

WHEREAS, Suzanne served for twelve years as Assistant Rector of St. Paul's, Des Moines; and

WHEREAS, she served eight years as state-wide program coordinator for the Iowa Inter Church Agency for Peace and Justice; and

WHEREAS, Suzanne served for thirteen years in the Anglican Diocese of Grahamstown as an assistant priest, parish priest, Sub-Dean and Acting Dean of the Cathedral; and

WHEREAS, Suzanne served three years in the office of the Archbishop of Cape Town; and

WHEREAS, she has served the Diocese of Iowa as a member of the Commission on Ministry, the One World One Church Commission in ecumenical ministry, in peace and justice ministry, and most recently as the Diocesan Global Missioner; and

WHEREAS, Suzanne's ministry of peace and justice at home and in the wider church has always drawn the local church's vision outward to better see God's vision of a wider family; and

WHEREAS, Suzanne has retired from her position of Rector of Trinity, Waterloo, with plans

to explore ministry options at home and in Southern Africa; Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Diocese of Iowa acknowledge Suzanne's ministry, give thanks for the many gifts she has shared with us, and praise God for her work in His service.

For the Resolutions Committee, Lyon moved that the Convention affirm these resolutions. The motion was seconded and carried.

Lyon then presented Courtesy Resolutions from the Convention itself.

Revival 2017

WHEREAS, The Diocese of Iowa has embarked on a season of Revival in 2017 and committed to 40 days of prayer before each Revival; and

WHEREAS, the Core Team did travel from east to west and from north to south, partnering with folks from 59 congregations to sing, pray, testify, and renew their faith; and

WHEREAS, our worship was enlivened by voices loud and soft; music from drums, trumpets, pianos, cellos, organs, and even a melodica; hearts were stirred by passionate preaching; souls were soothed by healing prayer; and the Spirit's wisdom revealed in contemplative coloring and labyrinth walking; and

WHEREAS more than 1000 people from the land between two rivers participated in these evenings of transformation and revival and from them have rekindled their love of Jesus and fervor to spread God's love to the world's dark places; and

WHEREAS, we know ourselves to be the Episcopal Branch of the Jesus Movement, ready to transform this world's nightmares into the Dream of God's desires; and

WHEREAS, we now commit ourselves to the work of making disciples and Growing Iowa Leaders

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Episcopal Church in Iowa gives thanks to God for the abundance of riches bestowed upon us during this time of Revival and we rededicate ourselves to being agents of God's love and healing.

The Reverend Canon Stephanie Spellers

WHEREAS the Rev. Canon Stephane Spellers dedicates her efforts to sharing the good news of God's inclusive love with new communities in new ways, and;

WHEREAS she pursues this mission with enthusiasm, authenticity and flair, and;

WHEREAS she has been a most welcome guest of this convention, inspiring God's people of the Episcopal Branch of the Jesus movement in Iowa,

BE IT RESOLVED that the 165th convention of the diocese of Iowa gives its heartfelt thanks for the ministry of Canon Spellers at her presence among us and offers its prayers in support of her future endeavors in service to the Church.

Pat Millar

WHEREAS Pat Millar works with energy and spirit to nurture and deepen the three-way friendship between the dioceses of Brechin, Swaziland and Iowa, and;

WHEREAS she embodies Christian friendship in her personal encounters with all the people of God, and, Whereas she exemplifies the practice of charity, living out the words of Matthew 25, and;

WHEREAS she has been a most welcome presence at the 165th convention of the diocese of Iowa, enlightening and enlivening experience for all in attendance;

BE IT RESOLVED that the 165th convention of the Diocese of Iowa gives thanks for her presence and for her ministry and looks forward to many years of friendship to come.

The Rev. Canon Alexander Anthony Aiton

WHEREAS the Reverend Canon Alexander Anthony Aiton came to the diocese of Iowa in 1991, serving as Rector of St. John's in Ames for all of that time; and

WHEREAS he is the only cleric who is still in the position he occupied when Bishop Scarfe began his episcopate; and

WHEREAS he has served on the Standing Committee, the Commission on Ministry, and the Stewardship Committee among others; and

WHEREAS he became an honorary canon of Trinity Cathedral at the 164th Convention, having served for 25 years in Iowa; and

WHEREAS even though he is retiring at the end 2017, he will begin a new ministry as Chair of the Commission on Ministry; where we will continue to benefit from his wisdom and godly, joyous spirit;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this 165th Convention of the Diocese of Iowa gives thanks to God for his faithful witness and ministry among us, and prays God's blessings for many more years of fruitful life and ministry.

Canon Tom Carpenter

WHEREAS, Canon Tom Carpenter has served as Diocesan Chancellor since November, 1989, advising bishops Epting and Scarfe, as well as the Standing Committee, and attending more meetings than even the saints could count, and WHEREAS, Canon Carpenter's quiet gentle ways and wisdom have been a blessing, and

WHEREAS, he is retiring from that position

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Convention offers him its appreciation, affection, and gratitude for his faith and ministry.

On behalf of the Resolutions Committee, Lyon moved the adoption of these resolutions. The motion was seconded and carried and affirmed by applause.

Bishop Scarfe thanked the assembled body for its attendance and attention, and its hard work. He announced upcoming meetings, and requested that the Standing Committee meet at the dais, following Adjournment. He then called for a motion to print the Minutes of the 165th Convention along with the Constitution and Canons. John Horn so moved, and the motion was seconded and adopted.

The bishop called for the Final Report of the Dispatch of Business Committee. Dates have been set for the 166th Annual Convention which will be held **Saturday and Sunday, October 27th and 28th** at the Marriott Hotel. This change allows us to welcome and honor our Presiding Bishop, the Most Reverend Michael Curry. We want more people to be able to be present for the entire Convention, and especially for a diocesan-wide Sunday Service.

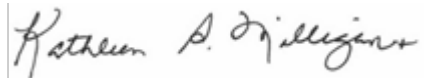
The Reverend Diana Wright, for the Dispatch of Business Committee, certified that the business of the 165th Convention of the Diocese of Iowa had been completed.

Bishop Scarfe led the Closing Liturgy, which was the Commissioning from the service for Revival 2017. The Convention adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

(The Rev. Canon) Kathleen S. Milligan +
Secretary of Convention

Attest:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Kathleen S. Milligan +", written in black ink on a white background. The signature is positioned above a thin horizontal line.

(The Rt. Rev.)+ Alan Scarfe
IX Bishop of Iowa

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Alan Scarfe +", written in black ink on a white background. The signature is positioned below the typed name.

Necrology List November 2016 - October 2017

Ames, St. John's

Marilyn R. Forsling
Charlie A. Yoerger
James Alan Murdock

Bettendorf, St. Peter's

Nancy L. Reitz

Boone, Grace Church

Rev. Pat Triska
James Whittlesey
Jeannie Schuab

Burlington, Christ Church

Sandra Schafer Richter
Barbara M. Crawford
Rita A. Rogerson
John D. Cray

Carroll, Trinity

The Rev. Larry Gatrel

Cedar Falls, St. Luke's

Townsend Mills "Ted" Cass
Kenneth Caquelin
James Robinson
Carol Stahl

Cedar Rapids, Christ

Elizabeth Anne Rockwell
Nelda Margaret Powers
Frank Edgar Gray, Jr.
Roger Burton Rollins
Richard Eugene Church
Burton Donald Robinson
Nancy Lee Hanson Ziese
Dana Hammat Hartz
Alexander James Zook
Marilyn Louise Tucker
Henry E. Haegg
Dorothy Ann Marquart
Manford Flack Jr.
Joyce Maxey Conley
Brian D. Zimmerman
Jean Wodtke Ferring

Cedar Rapids, Grace

Kathryn Offerman
Patricia Keller
Paul Fuessel

Charles City, Grace

Carl Vogelhuber

Clinton, Christ

Frederick J. Ray
Jan Phelan
James W. Bell
Nancy A. Dethmann
Walter E. Chase

Coralville, New Song

Larry Taylor
Roger Williams

Davenport, Trinity Cathedral

Robert L. Evans
Ruthmary Mangelsdorf
George W. Thompson
Becky Jo Stamer
Kathleen S. Sitz
Chester W. Fanning
N. Ross Otters

Des Moines, Cathedral Church of St. Paul

Ryan Joseph Paul Oakley
James Thomas Neveau
Julia Irvine Brenton
Helen Arlene Burris Coady
Barbara Albrecht McCracken
Craig Sandahl

Des Moines, St. Andrew's

The Rev. Cn Robert William Kem
Frederick A. (Ted) Bohemann

Des Moines, St. Luke's

Andrew G. Smith
Lucy Ann Hippee
Joyce Graham Brown
Terry J. Anderson

Des Moines, St. Mark's

Gary Nicholls
Gary Denning

Dubuque, St. John's

Emylou Hickmon
Marilyn Reiter

Fort Dodge, St. Mark's

Mary Beth Rice
Gene Vogel
Fred Blanchard

Independence, St. James

Eleanor Luckel

Iowa City, Trinity

Keith Rageth
Carl Henry Fink
John Cray
Alice Davison
Janet Wilcox

Keokuk, St. John's

Leesa Williams
Erma "Sue" Daskalos
Nancy Gaunt
Jack Fader
Emma Lowe
L. Conn Whetstone
Angela Whetstone
Jim Schulte

LeMars, St. George's

Romanda Athens
Glada Koerselman

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