

To: Priests in Charge of Congregations and Senior Wardens  
From: The Rt. Rev. Stephen T. Lane  
Re: 2018 Bishop's Visitation Schedule  
Date: October 2017

Dear Friends:

My Visitation schedule for 2018 is now available. The dates listed will be the dates for my visits. If there is a conflict you simply cannot live with, please be in touch with Barbara Martin ([bmartin@episcopalmaine.org](mailto:bmartin@episcopalmaine.org) or 772-1953 x125) to discuss alternatives.

If there are other occasions you would like me to celebrate with you (patronal feasts, anniversaries, Holy Days, etc.), please talk with Barbara about those occasions. Sometimes such events can also serve as a Visitation, but in most cases, we will still want to proceed with the scheduled Visitation.

Regional Confirmations are increasingly popular, and I support this approach. Regional confirmations have the benefit of separating confirmation preparation from the Bishop's visitation, freeing up my visit for other things, and providing you greater flexibility in preparation. There are now several Regional Confirmations each year. If you have questions, or would like to host a Regional Confirmation service (opportunities are still available for 2018), please be in touch with Barbara.

All the materials you need will be available on our website in the "Clergy Resources" section. Please check for the most recent version of these documents.

I am looking forward to our time together. Don't hesitate to be in touch with questions, concerns, or suggestions. Thank you.