

# *Go forth with hope and grace*

## *The 202nd Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Maine*

The 202nd Convention of the Diocese of Maine met via Zoom on Saturday, October 23, 2021 to conduct the diocese's second virtual convention. We elected diocesan leaders, approved the [2022 budget](#), and adopted ten resolutions while rejoicing in being the Body of Christ.

New clergy were formally welcomed to the diocese and those whose ministries have concluded were celebrated. The past ministry of the Episcopal Church of Saints Matthew and Barnabas in Hallowell was honored, and the diocese affirmed the change in status of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Winthrop from a mission to a parish. Dick Rozene and Doug Mayer were recognized for their work with the Scribner Award for Distinguished Lay Ministry.

Throughout convention, we participated in a prayerful and spirit-filled liturgy featuring the participation of the faithful throughout the diocese. It included Bishop Thomas Brown's [Convention Address](#) which focused on the themes: to listen, connect, adapt, and hope. ([Click here](#) for a transcript of the address)

The convention was blessed throughout by incredible musicians sharing their gifts. The virtual choir offerings included "[Holy Spirit, Ever Living](#)," and "[Come and Find the Quiet Center](#)."

### ELECTION RESULTS

Secretary: Karen Perka

Treasurer: Thomas Ward

Trustee of Diocesan Funds: Timothy Boggs,  
Nathaniel Henshaw, Carlos Mello, Nick Penfield  
Provincial Conference Lay Deputy: Ted Fletcher

Standing Committee (Clergy): Kerry Mansir

Standing Committee (Lay): Mark Spahr

Disciplinary Board: Shirley Bowen

Clergy Reps Elected to Diocesan Council:

Area A- Lynn Rutledge, Eastport and Machias

Area B - Thom Rock, Rangeley

Area C - Nancy Moore, Norway

Area D - Lisa Fry, Camden

Area E - Suzanne Roberts, MD, Portland

Area F - Lauren Kay, Sanford

### RESOLUTIONS

(Details can be found [here](#))

- 1 - Resolution denoting the formal support of the Episcopal Diocese of Maine for LD1626
- 2 - Declaration of Climate Emergency and Observance of the Season of Creation
- 3 - Territorial Acknowledgement
- 4 - Faith, Farming, Good News Gardens
- 5 - Clergy Compensation for 2022
- 6 - Lay Compensation for 2022
- 7 - Change in Status: Winthrop
- 8 - Change in Status: Hallowell
- 9 - Canon 15 of Diocesan Council - Membership & Terms
- 10 - Canon 15 of Diocesan Council - Budget Documents

Click [here](#) and [here](#) for links to the livestream recordings