

Diocesan Convention Nominees for 2021

The Diocesan Council Clergy (Elect 2 for 3-year terms)



The Rev. Sidnie Crawford

Christ, Stroudsburg

Seeking First Term

The gifts and skills I bring to the Diocese of Bethlehem and this ministry include:

As a relative newcomer to the Diocese of Bethlehem (I was ordained in the Diocese of Nebraska) I wish to serve my new diocese and to become more intimately acquainted with all aspects of it. As a lifelong Episcopalian I have a deep love for our church, and I believe that, although it may become smaller in the years ahead, it has an important mission to those who want to manifest the love of Christ in all aspects of their lives. I bring skills of organization and leadership from my academic career (I am a biblical scholar by trade).



The Rev. Michelle Moyer

Cathedral, Bethlehem

Seeking Second Term

The gifts and skills I bring to the Diocese of Bethlehem and this ministry include:

Prior to ordained ministry, I worked in industry managing programs and analyzing process systems. As laity, I taught Sunday School, was a youth group leader and served on various committees. Since ordination to the priesthood, I served at Nativity Cathedral as Canon for Pastoral Care and then as Canon for Family and Faith Formation. Recently I accepted a call to Phoebe ministries where I serve as chaplain and priest to three communities of residents. My background in parish ministry, and work in industry provide a broad range of skills which will be beneficial in my second term on Council.

Diocesan Council Lay (Elect 2 for 3-year terms)



Wayne Evans

St. James & St. George, Jermyn

Seeking First Term

The gifts and skills I bring to the Diocese of Bethlehem and this ministry include:

I have been an active member of the Episcopal Church since birth, at St. George Church in Olyphant and then at St. James / St. George Church in Jermyn, where I served as on the vestry for 6 years. I spent the last 53 years in Education, 33 years at Abington Heights and 20 years at Marywood University. I have excellent written and verbal communication skills and understand the importance of transparency when working cooperatively with others. I am organized and have experience developing and maintaining programs, budgets and policies. If elected to the Diocesan Council, I would represent one of the smaller churches in the Diocese, and I would work to ensure a better balance between the needs of small churches with those of the larger churches, and I would help develop more transparency when communicating information to the individual members of all the congregations I am elected to serve.



Sara McNelis

Grace, Kingston

Seeking Second Term

The gifts and skills I bring to the Diocese of Bethlehem and this ministry include:

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve on Diocesan Council for the last 3 years and I hope to continue serving for a second term. We have faced unprecedented challenges this year due to the COVID pandemic. And, yet, we have been remarkably resilient. We have taken challenges and obstacles and have reframed and reshaped them into opportunities and building blocks. I believe that I am skilled at active listening, I am open-minded, and I am good at creative problem solving. And, I believe that these are essential skills to resiliency. I would like the opportunity to continue using these skills to help re-imagine our 'new normal' in the Diocese.

Diocesan Council Lay (Elect 2 for 3-year terms) (continued)



Rick Wolf

Christ, Reading

Seeking First Term

The gifts and skills I bring to the Diocese of Bethlehem and this ministry include:

Long before it became a popular term, I embraced the concept of servant leadership and let it guide me through thirty-seven years as a school administrator. As the District's Assistant Superintendent I collaborated with the Senior Leadership team in the development and administration of a budget of \$72 million.

Since retiring I have become much more involved with Christ Church, Reading. I currently serve as Senior Warden and was asked to remain in that position and serve as ecclesiastical leader until such time as we complete our search for new priest

The Standing Committee Clergy (Elect 1 for a 4-year term)



The Rev. Douglas Moyer

Retired

Seeking Second Term

The gifts and skills I bring to the Diocese of Bethlehem and this ministry include:

In my secular career I served as a research chemist, a research manager and an HR manager for a Fortune 300 company. I also served in the church at various times as Sunday school teacher, youth group leader, vestry member, treasurer and senior warden. As clergy I have served as assistant at Christ Church, Reading and rector of Christ Church, Stroudsburg. The skills acquired in navigating the above transitions proved quite beneficial in my first term on the Standing Committee as the Diocese transitioned from Bishop Sean to Bishop Kevin and, I believe, will be helpful in a second term.

The Standing Committee Lay (Elect 1 for a 4-year term)



Lynne Graham

St. Paul's Montrose

Seeking Second Term

The gifts and skills I bring to the Diocese of Bethlehem and this ministry include:

I have been honored to serve on the Standing Committee for one term. I am a thoughtful listener with good analytical skills. I live rurally and represent the northern part of the Diocese. I am a cradle Episcopalian and have competent understanding of the working of the Church through my years of lay leadership in two Dioceses. My faith guides me in my daily life as I strive to be the person that God calls me to be. I have the time and willingness to serve another term on the Standing Committee.

Commission on Ministry Clergy (Elect 1 for 3-year term)

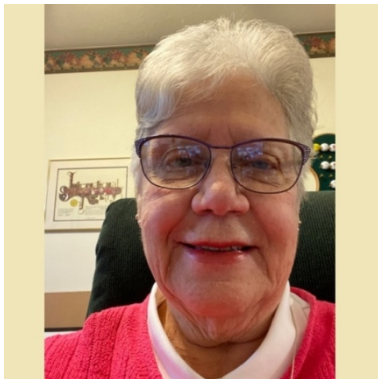


The Rev. Rodney Conn
Cathedral, Bethlehem
Seeking First Term

The gifts and skills I bring to the Diocese of Bethlehem and this ministry include:

In thirteen years of diaconal ministry, I have served two parishes, and as chaplain to Bp. Cronenberg. A chief part of my ministry at the Cathedral has been to the homeless population of Bethlehem. Also, I served on Diocesan Council, and currently serve on the Mission Resources Committee. These experiences have given me a good perspective on the relationship between mission and ministry, and how the Diocese and its Congregations embrace that relationship. I believe that I can offer my experiences to support those already doing the good works of the Church, to help identify and raise up future lay and ordained ministers, but most especially those who may seek diaconal ministry. And one of my goals would be to provide more information about the diaconate, who would make a good deacon, and to assist parishes in giving voice to those that may be called to that ministry.

Commission on Ministry Lay (Elect 1 for 3-year term)



Patti Alleger
Christ, Stroudsburg
Seeking Second Term

The gifts and skills I bring to the Diocese of Bethlehem and this ministry include:

I am currently serving my first term on the Commission on Ministry and would like to be elected to a second term.

I have been an active member of Christ Church for 58 years and am a life-long Episcopalian. I have served as Senior and Junior Warden, chaired a search committee for a new rector, work on the Altar Guild, am a Daughter of the King and sing in the choir. I am serving as a Lay Reader, Lay Worship Leader and Lay Eucharistic Visitor when called upon.

I feel the work of the Commission on Ministry is one of the most important ministries of the church and would like to help complete the work we have started in my first term.

I would appreciate your vote to continue my work on the commission.