



## The Episcopal Diocese of Northern California

June 15, 2026

### NOTICE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Notice is hereby given that the One Hundred Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Diocesan Convention of The Episcopal Diocese of Northern California has been called by the Bishop of Northern California for Saturday, October 24, 2026, on Zoom in California. Materials relating to convention, such as an agenda, budget, resolutions, nominations, etc. will be distributed via the diocesan website. A verbatim copy of the call follows this notice.

**Please distribute a copy of this letter to all of your delegates.**

Dated: June 15, 2026

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rev. Annie Mertz'.

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The Rev. Annie Mertz  
Secretary of Convention



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### CALL AND APPOINTMENT OF DIOCESAN CONVENTION

The undersigned Ecclesiastical Authority of The Episcopal Church in The Diocese of Northern California hereby calls and appoints the time and place of the One Hundred Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Diocesan Convention of The Episcopal Church in The Diocese of Northern California and adopts reasonable rules regarding registration, resolutions and nominations as follows:

The One Hundred Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Diocesan Convention of The Episcopal Diocese of Northern California shall be held on Saturday, October 24, 2026, on Zoom.

Convention will begin on Saturday, October 24:

- Clergy and Lay delegate check in to Convention will begin at 7:30 am on Jotform
- Business Session I will begin at 9:00 am

### CONVOCATION

Convocation serves as a preview and preparation session for our Annual Diocesan Convention. It gives clergy and lay delegates an opportunity to review the approved budget, learn about candidates for diocesan leadership, resolutions, and hear the Bishop's vision before formal action is taken at Convention.

Convocation will be held on Saturday, September 19, on Zoom. During Convocation, there will be time for two Deaneries to hold their Deanery Election for a Board of Trustees position.

- Capital Deanery (representative can be clergy or lay | three-year term)
- Russian Deanery (representative can be clergy or lay | three-year term)

### CERTIFICATION OF LAY DELEGATES

Certificates are due to the Office of the Bishop no later than **JULY 24, 2026**. This form is only to be used for lay delegates, not for clergy. *This form does not constitute registration to convention; you must still complete online registration.*

Any controversy over filing times may be presented to the Committee on Credentials by filing with the Secretary of Convention before the formation of convention. The recommendation of the Committee on Credentials on the matter shall be included in the Report of the Secretary of Convention. The convention shall hear and determine the matter, including, for due cause, granting a waiver of a due date and imposing reasonable conditions.



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### REGISTRATION

Diocesan Convention is open to all. Pre-Registration is encouraged.

### REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE HERE:

<https://www.norcalepiscopal.org/site/2026-diocesan-convention>

### REGISTRATION PERIODS

**Early** | Monday, June 15, to Friday, July 31.

**Regular** | Saturday, August 1 to Thursday, September 24

**Late** | Friday, September 25, to Saturday, October 24

REGISTRATION TYPE	EARLY 6/15 – 7/31	REGULAR 8/1 – 9/24	LATE 9/25–10/24
Canonical & Physical Resident Clergy	\$15.00	\$25.00	\$30.00
Seat & Voice	\$15.00	\$25.00	\$30.00
Lay Delegate	\$15.00	\$25.00	\$30.00
Alternate Delegate	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Visitors	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Volunteers (a min of 4 hours)	Free	Free	Free

### RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions may be proposed by:

- Any person with Seat, Voice, and Vote
- The Board of Trustees
- Standing Committee
- Commission on Ministry
- Diocesan Institutions
- Vestries
- Mission Committees
- Committees of convention
- The Bishop

Resolutions shall be in the standard form for resolutions used by General Convention and shall be filed with the Secretary of Convention and may be done so by uploading your PDF [document via JotForm linked here](#).

**The deadline for filing resolutions is MONDAY, AUGUST 24.** Additional filed Resolutions or Resolutions submitted at the formation of convention may be considered, with approval of a unanimous vote of convention.



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### GOVERNANCE NOMINATIONS

Nominations for Standing Committee and Board of Trustees may be made by any person with seat, voice, and vote and shall be sent to [convention@norcalepiscopal.org](mailto:convention@norcalepiscopal.org) using the approved nomination forms or [by completing the JotForm linked here](#).

The due date for filing nominations is **MONDAY, AUGUST 24**.

For any office for which there is no contest as of the filing deadline, a second filing time shall immediately open on **TUESDAY, AUGUST 25**. The due date for filing nominations during the second filing time is **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9 by 12:00 pm**.

The Secretary of Convention will post notice on the diocesan website of those offices for which a second period of nominations has been opened. Nominations may be made online "from the convention floor" when called for by the President. Names of those nominated from the floor will be placed on the ballot below those nominated prior to the opening of convention; provided that floor nominees first present a digital copy of the nomination form and a high-resolution photo of themselves (the nominee) to the Committee on the Dispatch of Business.

You will find positions available with their respective job descriptions in this virtual packet.

### Congregation Range Sheet

Please see virtual packet for the 2026 form.

### All forms can be found on our website at

<https://www.norcalepiscopal.org/site/2026-diocesan-convention>

### Schedule at a Glance

Convention will begin on Saturday, October 24:

- Convention check-in & Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m.
- Business session I will begin at 9:00 a.m.
- Noontime prayers and lunch will begin at 12:00 p.m.
- Business session II will begin at 12:45 p.m.
- Plan to dismiss at 4:00 p.m.

Dated: June 15, 2026

The Rt. Rev. Megan M. Traquair, Bishop  
Ecclesiastical Authority