



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA

The Rev. Canon Stephen J. Rhoades
Canon to the Ordinary

November 19, 2025

Dear Clergy and Lay Delegates:

Please find below a summary of the actions of the 103rd Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina.

Friday, November 14, 2025

Resolution of the 103rd Annual Convention Naming Laura and Jorge Estévez Missionaries of the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina.

✓ Passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Resolution of the 103rd Annual Convention Naming Cameron and Roberto Vivanco Missionaries of the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina.

✓ Passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Saturday, November 15, 2025

Proposed Amendment #1: Amending Title V, Canon 1, Section 1, of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina (Statement of Mission) as recommended by the Standing Committee and as presented in the Convention Manual.

✓
In favor 99.55%
Opposed .45%

Proposed Amendment #2: Amending Title VII, Canon 2 of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina (Deans and Lay Wardens) as recommended by the Standing Committee and as presented in the Convention Manual.



In favor	98.21%
Opposed	1.79%

Proposed Amendment #3: Amending Title VII, Canon 4 of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina (Responsibilities of Convocations) as recommended by the Standing Committee and as presented in the Convention Manual.



In favor	98.21%
Opposed	1.79%

Proposed Amendment #4: Amending Title VII, Canon 5 of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina (Nominations to the Diocesan Executive Council) as recommended by the Standing Committee and as presented in the Convention Manual.



In favor	98.65%
Opposed	1.35%

Proposed Amendment #5: Amending Title VII, Canon 6 of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina (Meetings) as recommended by the Standing Committee and as presented in the Convention Manual.



In favor	96.43%
Opposed	3.57%

Proposed Amendment #6: Amending including, but not limited to the following canons: TITLE III, CANON 1, SECTION 1 (a); TITLE III, CANON 1, SECTION 2 (b); TITLE III, CANON 1, SECTION 4; TITLE V, CANON 1, SECTION 2 (a) and (b); TITLE VII (TITLE); TITLE VII, CANON 1; TITLE VII, CANON 3; TITLE VIII, CANON 7, SECTION 6; TITLE XII (12); TITLE XII (14) of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina (Replacing the term Convocation with Deanery and the term Convocations with Deaneries) as recommended by the Standing Committee and as presented in the Convention Manual.



In favor	96.80%
Opposed	3.20%

Proposed Amendment #7: Amending Title VIII, Canon 11 of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina (Missionary Work and the Archdeacon of the Diocese) as recommended by the Standing Committee and as presented in the Convention Manual.



In favor	98.21%
Opposed	1.79%

Election of Lay Members of the Standing Committee for a three-year term. Please choose three:



Cynthia Parker Reed	77.44%
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Judith Milone	66.67%
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Leo Smith	55.38%
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Eric Horst	53.33%
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Errol Porter	47.18%
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Election of Clergy Members of the Standing Committee for a three-year term. Please choose three:

Elected by acclamation:



The Rev. Lindy Bunch



The Rev. Lathrop Mosley



The Rev. Dan Wagner

Election of a Lay Member of the Disciplinary Board for a two-year term. Please choose one:



Yvonne Hall	59.62%
Clarke Newton	40.38%

Election of a Lay Trustee of the University of the South (Sewanee) for a three-year term. Please choose one:



Kirby Colson	53.88%
Sally McKay	46.12%

**Election of Lay Deputies to the 82nd General Convention for a three-year term.
Please choose four (each Lay Deputy must receive a majority of votes cast to be elected):**

Ballot 1:

✓	Taylor Gibby	65.24%	Elected Lay Deputy #1
✓	Laura Lipscomb	59.52%	Elected Lay Deputy #2
✓	Jodie Webb	59.05%	Elected Lay Deputy #3
	Angela Daniel	54.76%	(Tie)
	Carter Senf	54.76%	(Tie)
	Jason Smith	53.81%	
	Norah Grimball	52.86%	

Ballot 2:

Carter Senf	43.66%
Angela Daniel	28.64%
Jason Smith	14.08%
Norah Grimball	13.62%

Ballot 3:

✓	Carter Senf	64.73%	Elected Lay Deputy #4
	Angela Daniel	22.71%	Alternate Lay Deputy #1
	Jason Smith	8.70%	Alternate Lay Deputy #2
	Norah Grimball	3.86%	Alternate Lay Deputy #3

**Election of Clergy Deputies to the 82nd General Convention for a three-year term.
Please choose four (each Clergy Deputy must receive a majority of votes cast to be elected):**

Ballot 1:

✓	The Rev. Dorian Del Priore	70.05%	Elected Clergy Deputy #1
✓	The Rev. Jack Hardaway	65.22%	Elected Clergy Deputy #2
✓	The Rev. Deacon Mary Jeffers	60.39%	Elected Clergy Deputy #3
✓	The Rev. Raphiel Ashford	56.52%	Elected Clergy Deputy #4
	The Rev. Dr. Marshall Jolly	55.56%	Alternate Clergy Deputy #1
	The Rev. Beth Hendrix	49.28%	Alternate Clergy Deputy #2
	The Rev. Christopher Johnson	43.00%	Alternate Clergy Deputy #3

Resolution Clarifying the Authority of the Standing Committee Regarding Financial Audits and Accounting Standards (Midlands West).

Ruled out of order by the Chair and withdrawn by the sponsor.

Resolution to Form a Task Force to Study Effective Practices and Policies for Congregations with Clergy in Place During Clergy Transitions (Midlands West).



82.69%	In favor
17.31%	Opposed

Land Acknowledgement Resolution for EDUSC Diocesan Convention 2025.



77.78%	In favor
22.22%	Opposed

Motion to approve the Draft 2026 Statement of Mission and Episcopal Pledge as recommended by Standing Committee and as presented in the Convention Manual (2/3 vote required).

Ballot 1



Failed to pass.

Ballot 2



83.94%	In favor
16.06%	Opposed