121th Convention of the Episcopal Church in Utah
Report of the Diaconate

Members

• Deanna Sue Adams	St. Michael's, Brigham City
• Deanna Anderson	All Saints, Salt Lake City
• Pamela Archbold	St. Luke's, Park City
• Shannon Burke	Church of the Resurrection, Bountiful
• Angela Ferree	St. James', Midvale
• Renee Hollinger	Church of the Resurrection, Bountiful
• Libby Hunter	Cathedral Church of St. Mark, Salt Lake City
• Dan Johnston	Good Shepherd, Ogden
• Sandra Jones	St. Luke's, Park City
• Anita Miner	All Saints, Salt Lake City
• Alison Desiderio Peterson	St. Paul's, Salt Lake City
• Patricia Sanchez	At large
• Robert Shoop	St. James', Midvale

Since the last report, we welcome Pam Archbold and Dan Johnston.

Mandate

The ministry of a deacon is to represent Christ and his Church in the world, particularly as a servant of those in need; and to assist bishops and priests in the proclamation of the Gospel and the administration of the sacraments.

Goals

To continue to place deacons at the parishes within the diocese. To continue ongoing training / education for the in-place Deacons.

Action items

We have begun monthly Zoom meetings for just the deacons. This meeting is held the second Thursday of each month at 3:00. The meeting generally consists of a Bible Study / Meditation, a featured subject, and a chance to get caught up on what's happening with our peers. We rotate among the deacons the facilitation of the two topics.

Analysis of action

Findings and conclusions

The ministries of the current deacons are functioning and we provide service to our parishes, our communities, and the world. Expansion of that ministry will serve to aid in the outreach of the diocese.

Recommendations: No action from convention is required at this time.

Statement of how the group's work fits into the mission strategy of the Diocese

The very nature of the diaconal ministry projects the mission of the church in the world. We serve our parishes and are one of the faces of the Episcopal church in the secular world. Expansion of that ministry will enhance that ability.

Submitted respectfully, The Ven, Robert Shoop, Archdeacon