

**THE 2023 REPORT OF EPISCOPAL CONGREGATIONS AND MISSIONS
ACCORDING TO CANONS I.6, I.7, AND I.17
(OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PAROCHIAL REPORT)**



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Report Preparation

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Certified by the Clerk of the Vestry (after board review / approval)

Certified by	Email address	Daytime Phone
Signature	Date	

Certified By Treasurer/Financial Officer

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Certified by Rector/Vicar/Person in Charge

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Signature	Date	

Warden/Vestry Approval

Warden (Print or type name)	Email address	Daytime Phone
Indicate the date that your 2023 Parochial Report was approved by the vestry or Bishop's Committee (Canon I.6.1)		Date

Parochial Report Completion

How many people participated in completing this parochial report?	0
Please identify the roles of those who participated in completing this parochial report (Not including vestry members who only voted to approve it): <i>Examples: Rector/Vicar, Wardens, Vestry Member, Treasurer, Staff Member, Volunteer</i>	(No response)

Membership, Attendance and Services of the Reporting Congregation

Active Participants in the Reporting Congregation

Anyone of any age who is active in the congregation regardless of baptism or membership status

1. Total Active Participants: 86

		#
2.	Of the total active participants, how many are in each of the following age groups?	
	Children (ages 0-12)	7
	Youth (ages 13-17)	2
	Young adults (ages 18-34)	4
	Middle adults (ages 35-64)	17
	Senior adults (ages 65 and older)	56
	<i>(this should add up to the Active Participant total)</i>	
	Total	86

		%	#
3.	Of the total active participants, provide the number and percentage that are in each of the following racial/ethnic categories. <i>If you do not collect this information, it is not required in order to complete your report. If this is not information already available for your congregation, we suggest a survey to allow individuals to self-identify.</i>		
	American Indian/Alaska Native (non-Hispanic)	0	0
	Asian (non-Hispanic)	0	0
	Black or African American (non-Hispanic)	0	0
	Hispanic or Latino(a)	0	0
	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander (non-Hispanic)	0	0
	White (non-Hispanic)	0	0
	Multiracial	0	0
	<i>(Note that percentages should add up to 100%)</i>		
	Total	0	0

Active Baptized Members of the Reporting Congregation at Year-End:

Using the 2022 Parochial Report, record the **Number of Baptized Members Reported as of December 31, 2022.**

M22	(See your 2022 Parochial Report, Box M22)	Members Reported Last Year in 2022 = M22	87
4.	Increases during year <i>All members added to the baptized members section of the congregation's Membership Register during 2023 by: baptism, confirmation/reception, or transfer; and those persons restored from inactive status, or not counted in last year's membership count.</i>	+	5
5.	Decreases during year <i>All active baptized members lost by death, transferred to another congregation, removed to inactive status in the Register of Church Membership and Rites, removed for other reasons, or not removed from last year's membership count.</i>	-	7
<i>Add the increases entered in line 4 to Box M22. Then subtract the decreases entered in line 5 for the total active membership as of December 31, 2023</i>			
M23	Total Active Baptized Members (end of report year 2023) = M23 =		85

Communicants in Good Standing of the Reporting Congregation:

Baptized members of the reporting congregation, who "have received Holy Communion at least three times during the preceding year" and are faithful "in corporate worship, unless for good cause prevented," and "in working, praying, and giving for the spread of the Kingdom of God."

6.	Adult communicants in good standing (age 16 and over)	54
7.	Youth communicants in good standing (under age 16)	7
8.	Total communicants in good standing	61

Review of Database:

9.	When was the last time the congregation's database of participants was reviewed and adjusted?	01/15/2024
10.	How frequently is the congregation's database of participants reviewed and adjusted?	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Twice a year <input type="checkbox"/> Annually <input type="checkbox"/> Other	

In-Person Worship Attendance:

The following attendance questions are for recording in-person worship attendance only. Do not include online participation numbers.

11. Average Weekly Attendance	Include all regularly scheduled worship (Sundays, Weekday Services, Holy Days, or special feasts observed annually). Divide total attendance by 52		
Total In-person Attendance:	2,086	÷	Total weeks 52 = 40
12. Total Attendance for All Non-Regularly Scheduled Worship	(i.e., Burials, marriages, baptisms conducted outside regularly scheduled worship, quinceañeras, etc.)		
13. Average Sunday Attendance	Sunday (& Saturday Evening) Attendance for In Person Worship. Divide total attendance by the total number of Sundays In-Person worship was conducted.		
Total In-person Attendance:	1,469	÷	Total # of Sundays 51 = 29
14. Average In-person Principal Worship Service Attendance on a Weekday	(for congregations without Sunday or Saturday evening services)		
Total In-person Attendance:	0	÷	Total weeks 0 = 0
15. Total In person Easter Sunday Attendance (including Easter Vigil):	<u>75</u>		
16. Total In person Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Attendance:	<u>79</u>		

How was worship conducted in 2023?

17.	Indicate the languages in which worship is conducted:	<u>English</u>
18.	Other Languages (please list)	_____
19.	In what ways has your community worshipped this year? (Check all that apply)	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In-Person Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In-Person Outdoors
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Virtual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hybrid (both in-person and online)
20.	Do you track online attendance/participation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
20a.	If yes, how do you count online attendance/participation?	
	zoom program data, and visual count	
20b.	Average Weekly Online Participation in Worship (if known):	<u>10</u>
20c.	Online Tracking Worksheet	<input type="checkbox"/>

Sacraments & Services: Using the Register of Church Membership and Rites:

Provide information for in-person, hybrid, and online services separately.
 If Eucharist was not celebrated at the congregation's principal services, count the services as Daily Office.

- In-person indicates the service was not available online and was only conducted in-person.
- Hybrid designates that the service was both in-person and online.
- Online means the service was available online only.

	<u>In-person Services</u>	<u>Hybrid Services</u>	<u>Online Services</u>
21. Total Sunday & Saturday Evening Eucharists	76	41	0
22. Total Weekday Eucharists or other	39	0	0
23. Total Private Eucharists	13	0	0
24. Daily Offices on Sunday or Saturday Evening	16	5	0
25. Daily Offices Held on Weekdays	20	0	53
26. Marriages conducted in 2023	0	0	0
27. Burials conducted in 2023	4	0	0
28. Baptisms 16 years and older	0		
29. Baptisms under 16 years of age	3		
30. Confirmations 16 years and older	0		
31. Confirmations under 16 years of age	0		
32. Received by a Bishop	0		

Faith Formation:

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| 33. | Are regular Sunday or weekday adult education programs held? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 34. | How were religious education or spiritual formation programs held? | |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In-person <input type="checkbox"/> Hybrid <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Online | |
| 35. | Number of adults engaged in religious education or spiritual formation | <u>8</u> |
| 36. | Number of children and youth engaged in religious education or spiritual formation | <u>6</u> |

Narrative Questions:

Clergy, Vestry and Staff are encouraged to participate in answering these questions.

37. What opportunities and challenges did the congregation face in 2023?

Opportunities: We've had a lot of use by various community groups in the See House which has been wonderful. We continue to have several folks who contribute and participate online with us since the COVID pandemic began in 2020. Opportunity for us to continue to find ways to strengthen our relationships with local community, and our online community.

Challenges: Our property is over 100 years old. We've been faced with a lot of building maintenance costs. Looking at the need for roof placement of the church in the next year or two. Our renter of the apartment attached to one of our buildings moved out after approx 30 years. We had a major year-long renovation project to make it suitable to start renting out again.

38. Looking toward the future, what changes do you hope to see in your faith community? What does your community need in order to bring about these changes?

Our theme in this coming year, as inspired by our Bishop...is to renew and strengthen our call as the church to be "Outposts of Hope" in our communities.

Continue to offer spiritual resources to inspire discussions, reflection, discernment...both personally, and as the church as a whole

39. We invite you to tell stories of how you have spent the last year naming, addressing, and dismantling the injustices of racism in yourselves, congregations, and your communities.

Ongoing Book groups, community conversations and online training opportunities were shared with church members and community members, and several church members have been engaged in ongoing personal studies and reflection in naming, addressing, and dismantling the injustices of racism...

Stewardship and Financial Information of the Reporting Congregation**Giving Information for 2023:**Please indicate the reporting currency: US Dollar (United States)

			US DOLLAR	OTHER CURRENCY
Number of Pledges	1.	Number of confirmed pledges/commitments for 2023 report year	24	0
Total \$ Pledged	2.	Total dollar amount pledges for 2023 report year	87,690	0
Report of Revenues and Expenses for 2023:				
Operating Revenues	3.	Plate offerings, pledge payments & regular support	138,646	0
	4.	Money from investments used for operations in 2023	0	0
	5.	Other operating income	5,835	0
	6.	Unrestricted bequests used for operations	0	0
		Subtotal Normal Operating Income (3 + 4 + 5 + 6) = A	144,481	0
	7.	Assistance from diocese for operating budget	0	0
		Total Operating Revenues (A + 7) = B	144,481	0
Non-Operating Revenues	8.	Capital funds, gifts & additions	33,091	0
	9.	Additions to endowment & other investment funds	1,000	0
	10.	Contributions & grants for congregation based outreach & mission	0	0
	11.	Funds for transmittal to other organizations	605	0
		Subtotal Non-Operating Revenues (8 + 9 + 10 + 11) = C	34,696	0
		Total All Revenues (B + C) = D	179,177	0
Operating Expenses	12.	To Diocese for assessment, apportionment, or fair share	12,000	0
	13.	Outreach from operating budget	6,193	0
	14.	All other operating expenses	129,709	0
		Subtotal Operating Expenses (12 + 13 + 14) = E	147,902	0
Non-Operating Expenses	15.	Major improvements & capital expenditures	52,344	0
	16.	Expense for congregation's outreach & mission	2,296	0
	17.	Funds contributed to Episcopal seminaries	0	0
	18.	Funds sent to other organizations	1,532	0
		Subtotal Non-Operating Expenses (15 + 16 + 17 + 18) = F	56,172	0
		Total All Expenses (E + F) = G	204,074	0
At Year-End:	19.	Total cash in all checking & savings accounts	120,509	0
As of December 31, 2023	20.	Total investment at market value (not including cash reported in line 19)	1,095,463	0

Continuing Stewardship and Financial Information of the Reporting Congregation

Information for 2023:

21. Number of contributing households without a pledge/commitment: 14

22. If the congregation has an endowment or reserve funds, how did usage of those funds in 2023 change compared to 2022?

Increased Decreased Same

23. If the congregation takes an endowment draw to fund the operating budget, what was the percentage draw from the endowment for 2023? 0.00
(If there are multiple endowment funds provide the average draw percentage.)

24. How significant is the negative impact of the pandemic on your congregation's finances for 2023?

Very significant Somewhat significant Neutral Somewhat insignificant Very insignificant

Comments:

[Empty text box for comments]

25. Does the congregation have any outstanding debt? Yes No

If yes, how much? 0

What is the debt for? _____

26. What is the financial outlook for the congregation over the next 5 years?

- We continue to face many expensive building repairs, and are working on grants to help with the costs.
- All operating costs continue to increase.
- The congregation is aging, which may lead to decreased offerings over the next few years as older members either move away, move into care facilities or die.

Priest(s) Serving this Congregation

Last name of Rector, Vicar, Dean, Priest-in-charge or interim 1. Platson	First Name Julie	Middle Name Lynn
Title of position Rector	Year Ordained 2001	Diocese of canonical residence Alaska
Employment status at this congregation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full time <input type="checkbox"/> Part time <input type="checkbox"/> Non-stipendiary	Year called to this congregation: 2015	Church Pension Status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> Retiree <input type="checkbox"/> Non-active

Last name of associate priest, assisting priest or curate	First Name	Middle Name
Title of position	Year Ordained	Diocese of canonical residence
Employment status at this congregation: <input type="checkbox"/> Full time <input type="checkbox"/> Part time <input type="checkbox"/> Non-stipendiary	Year called to this congregation:	Church Pension Status <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> Retiree <input type="checkbox"/> Non-active

Last name of associate, assisting or other priest	First Name	Middle Name
Title of position	Year Ordained	Diocese of canonical residence
Employment status at this congregation: <input type="checkbox"/> Full time <input type="checkbox"/> Part time <input type="checkbox"/> Non-stipendiary	Year called to this congregation:	Church Pension Status <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> Retiree <input type="checkbox"/> Non-active

Last name of associate, assisting or other priest	First Name	Middle Name
Title of position	Year Ordained	Diocese of canonical residence
Employment status at this congregation: <input type="checkbox"/> Full time <input type="checkbox"/> Part time <input type="checkbox"/> Non-stipendiary	Year called to this congregation:	Church Pension Status <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> Retiree <input type="checkbox"/> Non-active

If you have more than 4 priests who serve this congregation on a regular basis, complete this form online (where additional blanks will be generated) or attach a page to this paper form.

If you have no priest at present, who leads Sunday worship services? (check all that apply)

Supply priest Deacon Lay Leader Other _____

A long-term supply priest: _____ (Give full name of long-term supply)

Deacon(s) Serving this Congregation

Last name of Deacon 1. Snelling	First Name Kathryn	Middle Name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deacon (Vocational) <input type="checkbox"/> Transitional Deacon	Year Ordained 2006	+

Last name of Deacon 2. Quintana	First Name Glenda	Middle Name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deacon (Vocational) <input type="checkbox"/> Transitional Deacon	Year Ordained 2011	+

Name(s) of other congregation(s) currently served by these priests (if any)

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Explanation of Unique or Unusual Clergy Situation:

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Outreach Ministries and Volunteer Activity of this Congregation

Using the boxes below, please indicate whether your congregation provided any of the following community service or outreach ministries during 2023. Leave the row blank if the congregation does not participate in a listed ministry.

	Estimated total number of volunteers involved	Estimated number of new volunteers this year	Estimated number of people served per month	Does the congregation donate space for this ministry?	Does the congregation make financial or in-kind donations for programs provided by
	#	#	#	Yes or No	I = In-kind F = Financial B = both
1. Food pantry, soup kitchen, or meal projects	0	0	0	No	B
2. Sustainable food garden/cooperative (such as "Farm to Tray")	0	0	0	Yes	I
3. Cash, vouchers, or help with rent/utilities					
4. Day care, preschool, before- or after-school programs					
5. Tutoring or literacy programs					
6. Health programs (parish nurse, clinics, health education, etc.)					
7. Community organizing, organized social issue advocacy					
8. Job placement, job training, employment counseling					
9. Building projects (such as Habitat for Humanity)					
10. Support groups (bereavement, divorce, job loss, 12-step, etc.)	0	0	0	Yes	I
11. Programs for the elderly and homebound persons	0	0	0	No	B
12. Clothes closet, thrift store	0	0	0	No	I
13. Homeless or no-freeze shelter					
14. Overseas sponsorships, microloans, Heifer Project, Haiti relief					
15. Refugee resettlement					
16. Ecumenical or Interfaith Partnerships					
Other, not listed:					
prison ministries	0	0	0	No	F
domestic violence shelter	0	0	0	No	B
recovery ministries	0	0	0	No	F
homeless coalition	0	0	0	No	B

Congregation	City	Diocese		
childrens blessing in a backpack	0	0	0	No F

In the past year, has the congregation completed or reviewed its profile of domestic and global mission activities on the Episcopal Asset Map, a joint project of The Episcopal Church and Episcopal Relief & Development?

Yes No