



Synod of the Diocese of the Central States of the Reformed Episcopal Church
April 20, 2023

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION

2022-2023 Composition

Clergy Members - The Rev. Keith Boettner (2023) (Secretary), The Rev. Jonathan Kell (2024), The Rev. Josiah Jones (2025),

Lay Members - Mr. Jon McGill (2023), Mr. Jeff Brown (2024), Mr. Tom McConnell (2025)

Ex Officio Members –Bishop Peter Manto, Archdeacon Scott Thompson, Treasurer Fr. Ken Mills

ACTIONS

Postulancy:

1. On 6 December 2022, the Committee approved the application of Mr. Jonathan McGill to the postulancy. Mr. McGill attends Christ the King Anglican Church in Dayton, OH.
2. On 13 September, 2023 the Committee approved the application of Mr. Kevin Gottlieb to the postulancy. Mr. Gottlieb attends Holy Trinity REC in Chantilly, VA.

Holy Orders:

1. On 9 February 2023, Fr. Michael Lewis was received into the REC from the ACNA.
2. On 19 August 2023, Fr. Andrew Costa was ordained a priest at Christ the King, Dayton.

Parish Matters:

1. On 10 February 2023, the Standing Committee voted to approve the beginning of an Extension Work in Johnson City, TN, which will be conducted under the auspices of the REC100 program.
2. On 2 August, 2023, upon reception of The Article of Association and Conformity of a New Mission or Parish, the Committee voted to approve the reception of Christ the Redeemer, Owensboro, as a Mission Parish in the Diocese.

Calls of Rectors:

1. On 9 February 2023, Fr. Michael Lewis' call as Rector to Christ our Hope in Fairborn, OH was approved.

Affirmation of Episcopal Elections:

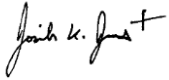
1. On 8 December 2022, the Standing Committee provided consent to the election of the Rev. William Jenkins to be the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic.
2. On October 3 2023, the Standing Committee provided consent to the election of a missionary Bishop for Cuba, in keeping with Canon 12 of the REC Canons.

Duties as Assigned, and Advice for the Bishop:

1. In January of 2023, the Committee worked with the Bishop regarding a difficult clergy issue in Mason, Ohio. We met on Zoom on Tuesday, January 17 to discuss the matter.
2. On 9 February 2023, the Standing Committee agreed to a proposal to send a letter of disaffiliation to St. Andrew's Anglican Church in Appomattox, VA.
3. The Committee met via Zoom on 21 March 2023 to discuss various Diocesan matters.

4. On 2 April 2023, the Committee voted to approve the holding of a Zoom Diocesan Synod.
 5. The Committee met via Zoom on 15 August 2023 to discuss various Diocesan matters.
 6. On 25 September, the Committee approved a set of Model Parish Bylaws that had been created by the Constitution and Canons Committee for the Diocese. These can be provided to new or existing parishes.
 7. The Standing Committee reviews local Protection Policies for Minors and Specially Protected Adults, in keeping with our Diocesan policy. We have thus far reviewed the policy submitted by Church of Our Saviour, Oatlands, and by All Saints Anglican in Lynchburg.
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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Josiah K. Jones" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Fr. Josiah Jones, President of the Standing Committee, The Diocese of the Central States