



The Messenger

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I AM GETTING EXCITED!

A Daughter of the King asked me if I was going to "Triennial" being held in Austin this summer and I remember blurting out...You bet I am!

It was later in the day, that in a period of reflection I asked myself ...why was I so looking forward to our gathering.....why was I "excited" about going to Austin.

The first answer that came to mind was the thought of gathering with this large gathering meeting with Daughters from all over the US and beyond...listening to some inspiring speakers and then worshipping together. Singing "Lift High The Cross" It is especially memorable when sung by a large number of voices....

My second thought. Was that of coming together with Daughters from the different countries where our Order has been established. We will hopefully have some 21 countries represented...some known from previous Triennials and new faces from recently formed Chapters....what will our now

"traditional" adventure taking them to Walmart or Target be like this year?

I believe that what really has me excited was that I'd chosen the theme for this Triennial... "Walk His Way" ...on Evangelism. Our keynote speakers will be sharing ways to share our faith so that at the end of our time together we can go out as "evangelists".

Some 10 years ago I wrote an article which said..."I can't help but believe that is time (past time) for lay people in our churches to take seriously the call to be "fishers of men" and get out of their comfortable pews reaching out with the Gospel...the *evangelio*...with *las nueva de Cristo* "the Good News of Christ". What an opportunity is before us as Daughters of the King...to come together, be strengthened and nourished for a few days....and then be sent out to proclaim Christ in all His fullness to this broken world in which we live.

When I ministered in the US as a Priest and then as a Bishop, I used to admit that one of the reasons for my continued travel to visit the Church in the Dominican Republic and in other countries was to receive a "spiritual booster" which allowed me to return invigorated by a live, contagious, life-changing exposure to a faith unencumbered by so much that we find in our culture.

One beloved Bishop of the Church once stated that it was the straight forward quality of the faith which offered us a vision unencumbered by the distractions of our prosperity". Chesley Vohden, Triennial Chair and one of our own from Province IV, wrote in the last Royal Cross..."Come to Austin this summer and 'walk His Way'... We will explore The many facets of evangelism and the abundant ways to spread the Good News.

Plan for a spirit filled time of refreshment,
renewal and revival.

Excited?

You bet!!

+Bill



Message from the President

Duties of a Priest in God's Kingdom

This last year of the Triennium we have been studying what it means to be a Member of the Royal Priesthood in God's Kingdom here on Earth.

Saint Peter wrote in his first letter, chapter 2 verse 9;
“But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.”

During Advent we prepared ourselves for the coming of Christ. At Christmas the light of Christ came into the world. Epiphany is when we celebrated what the coming of that light into our dark world meant to us. So, during Lent we must prepare ourselves through prayer, fasting, meditating on God's word, and being still, to proclaim Christ Kingdom. Then, during Easter and on through Pentecost, we will be able to carry his light into the world through service and evangelism.

Our duties as a member of the Royal Priesthood and our vows as Daughters of the King are the same; Prayer, Service, and Evangelism. Each of us is called to bring that light into the world in a different way. But each of us is called.

Lent is the time given to us to prepare ourselves to answer that call.

“For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.” Ephesians 2:10

Your Sister in Christ,
Susan Towson

President, Province IV

January 2018 Province IV Jacksonville board meeting

Two Presidents-elect Reflected on their Experience-



Beverly P. Lloyd
President-Elect,
Diocese of Atlanta

I thoroughly enjoyed the Province IV meeting in Jacksonville! It was so wonderful to meet other Daughters and to share our faith together. All of the ladies were delightful, and I felt as though I had known some of them for years.



Gayle Happell
President-elect,
Diocese of Tennessee

On my second visit to this lovely cathedral, I felt very welcomed by everyone who met and greeted my group. They were well prepared and had a section on the north transept reserved for us. Previously, we were in the front few rows, which lent to better viewing and a better feeling of being a part of the congregation. I

The meetings helped me to gain better understanding and insight regarding how the Province operates. In addition, I was able to see how the Diocesan (now known as Assembly), Province and National boards are interwoven and interdependent. The Incoming Assembly Board Meeting with Jane was excellent! It was extremely helpful to have a preview of what to expect for the next 3 years and also get a sense of what our responsibilities will be. It's also nice to know that we will all be learning from each other in the coming years

Thanks for giving me the opportunity to reflect on our time together. I look forward to seeing you at Triennial. It was my absolute pleasure to meet and get to know you! I look forward to working with you soon.

always appreciate being at a worship service that is respectful of where we are and who we are. Congregations who are careful in dress and in behavior make an impression to me, since I come from a more casual congregation.

St. John's organ and choir brought me into the presence of God and to a deep sense of worship. The best part was the final processional hymn, "Lift High the Cross", which I know by heart and can sing out with gusto alongside my sisters in Christ. What a wonderful and uplifting moment. Unique to this service was an adult baptism for an elderly man with his family in attendance, reminding me that it's never too late to come to Christ. Another blessing that stands out for me was Dean Morehead's inspiring sermon reminding me that God is always with me. What more could I ask for?

Your board worships together at St John's Cathedral-





This weekend was a wonderful opportunity for the outgoing and incoming board to meet and share ideas and experiences. On the last day we split up into the incoming and outgoing board. Your new board members will be pictured in the next edition of Messenger. The outgoing board members joined President Susan Towson in making a final project together, blankets for the homeless. Thank you to all who have served so faithfully as they begin to close out this year serving out King and Savior, Jesus Christ. Well done good and faithful servants.



*Seen in
Jacksonville-*

*Inquiring minds
want to know...*

***WHOSE SOCKS
ARE THESE***

?????

***A Special Thank You to all the outgoing
officers and board members who have
blessed us for the last three years!***

Registration time is Here!!



**Come join us in Austin, Texas for
Triennial 2018,
June 20 - 24th.**

During this time we will:

- " explore the many facets of evangelism
- " pray and worship together
- " celebrate our Sisterhood as Daughters of the King

We will hear wonderful speakers-



The Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers is an Episcopal priest, author and popular speaker known for fueling radical welcome across the ecumenical spectrum. She serves as the Presiding Bishop's Canon for Evangelism and Reconciliation, spearheading Episcopal efforts to share the good news of God's inclusive love with new communities in new ways.

Prior to serving in her current post, Spellers worked for years at the intersection of practice and reflection: teaching and directing programs in mission and reconciliation at the General Theological Seminary in New York City, and directing new ministry initiatives for the Center for Progressive Renewal, an ecumenical consulting and resource group based in Atlanta. She is the author of "Radical Welcome: Embracing God, The Other and the Spirit of Transformation" and most recently co-authored "The Episcopal Way", the first volume in the new Church's Teachings for a Changing World series (with Eric Law).

Canon Carrie Boren Headington is

the founder of The Good News Initiative which provides resources in evangelism. She has a passion to see people come to know the abounding unconditional love of God. Carrie speaks throughout the US and around the globe, sharing the abundant life found in Jesus Christ with spiritual seekers and Christians alike. She addresses topics that burn in the human heart and mind, such as: how do we know God exists, who was Jesus really, finding purpose and peace in life, where is God when life hurts, the reliability



of the Bible, how can we be agents for justice in an unjust world, and finding joy and strength in everyday life through Jesus. She works with all Christian denominations and serves as Canon for Evangelism in the Episcopal Diocese of Dallas and Consulting Evangelist for Revivals for The Episcopal Church engaging in evangelistic speaking, apologetics, and equipping congregations to be the hands, feet, and mouthpieces for God in their everyday lives.

Carrie currently serves on the boards of Langham Partnership USA (The global ministry formed by John Stott), Anglicans for Life, The Living Church Foundation, UNITE (an ecumenical justice movement in Dallas) and Gateway of Grace (refugees in Dallas ministry). Carrie is married to Greg, founder of the Global Faith Project, a ministry serving inner city Dallas, Cuba, N. Africa, France, and Latin America. Together they share a lifelong commitment to caring for the poor and equipping the church to be good news.

Lollie Twyman has come to know, through

her ministry, the importance of prayer as the foundation for all mission activities. She currently chairs the Diocesan World Mission Committee for the Diocese of Fort Worth, having done so since 1998. In addition, Lollie serves on the Board of Trustees of both the Society of Anglican Missionary Senders (SAMS) and the New Wineskins Missionary Network (NWS). As a member of Anglican Global Mission Partners (AGMP), she chairs the Mobilizing Task Group that has produced such resources as the Liturgy for Mission and the Parish Mission Leader Certification Program. Lollie remains active in the mission field and has served in Malawi, Mexico, Belize and Cambodia. Her daughter and son-in-law, Summer and Guy Benton, serve as SAMS missionaries in Cambodia and New Zealand.



Lollie finds inspiration and encouragement in her ministry from scripture. Her favorite verse is Revelation 7:9.

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people, and language, standing before the throne, and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.

Register Early!

To assist with hotel planning, we are offering the lower rates for registrations completed online or postmarked by March 31st. .

All meals, registration materials, workshops, speakers and special events are included in the registration fee. Eleven meals will begin Wednesday, June 20th, with Province dinners and continue through breakfast on Sunday, June 24th.

Each senior chapter, diocesan assembly, and provincial assembly should elect a delegate and alternate to attend Triennial. Provincial assemblies are also allowed a Daughter at Large delegate and alternate delegate. **Delegates and Alternates must send, scan or fax the signed Credentialing Form in this packet to the National Office by May 31, 2018 **

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All the Triennial documents, forms and information can be found on the National website <http://www.doknational.org>

-under the EVENTS tab-

follow the links for [Triennial 2018](#).
Forms to be mailed in may be printed from the website-

Renaissance Austin Hotel

9721 Arboretum Boulevard

Austin, TX 78759

1-512-343-2626 (Direct to Hotel)

The Renaissance Austin places guests near the Arboretum at Great Hills and the Domain shopping centers. The hotel features an atrium lobby and a 24-hour fitness

**TO MAKE ROOM RESERVATIONS,
USE THE [ONLINE LINK](#)
OR
CALL THE HOTEL DIRECTLY**

*When making a reservation, ask for
“Daughters of the King” group rate.*



ATTENTION ALL CHAPTERS-

In preparation for our National Convention, Triennial 2018, each Daughters' chapter, diocesan and provincial assembly is invited to participate in Building a Path to "Walk His Way" and Singing Our Way to Austin. Click the links below for more information.

[Building a Path](#) - Each chapter and each diocesan, provincial, and country assembly is invited to create a "brick" to pave the Way.

SPECIAL SERVICE PROJECT:

Deadline is June 20, 2018 When you come to Triennial, **Please include some extra pairs of new socks in your suitcase. We will collect the socks for donation to shelters where those in need can be provided with new, clean socks.**



Don't Miss Out- June 20-24, 2018

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