

**THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF NORTHWEST TEXAS  
FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION, ABILENE, TEXAS**

*“One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism”*

**2006 ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Friday, October 27**

- 2:00 - 6:00 PM      **EXHIBITS SET UP**    *Abilene Civic Center, 1100 North Sixth Street*  
*(Parking lots are on the north side of the Civic Center)*
- 4:00 - 6:00 PM      **REGISTRATION**    *Abilene Civic Center, 1100 North Sixth Street*
- 7:00 PM              **EVENSONG**        *Church of the Heavenly Rest, 602 Meander*  
*(One block west of South 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Sayles Boulevard)*  
*The Very Rev. Philip Williams Turner, III, Preacher*  
*Interim Dean, Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest*
- RECEPTION**      *Home of Jackie Batjer, 602 Sayles Boulevard*

**Saturday, October 28**

- 7:45 -8:15 AM      **REGISTRATION**    *Abilene Civic Center, 1100 North Sixth Street*  
*Registration will close promptly at 8:15 in order to facilitate voting.*

- 8:30 AM            **1. OPENING SESSION OF CONVENTION, 1100 North Sixth Street**
- A. Welcome
  - B. Morning Prayer
  - C. Commissioning of Lay Delegates, Officers, and Members of the Dais
  - D. Announcements
  - E. Introductions
    - (1) Convention Officers and Members of the Dais
    - (2) Convention Hosts
    - (3) Convention Guests and Visitors
    - (4) Clergy Resident since 2005 Convention
    - (5) Canterbury Representatives
    - (6) New Episcopal Churchwomen Officers
    - (7) Episcopal Youth Community Officers
    - (8) Bishop's Appointments and Deanery Elections
- 2. Credentials Committee Report and Call to Order**
- 3. Motion for Voice for Guests**
- 4. Dispatch of Business Committee, First Report**
- 5. Committee on Approval of Minutes, 2005 Convention**
- 6. Greetings to Convention**
- 7. Report of the Constitution and Canons Committee, Mrs. Betty Gilmore, Chair**

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	A. Standing Committee to 2009 (one clergy and one lay)	
	B. Trustee to 2011 (one lay)	
	C. Ecclesiastical trial Court to 2009 (one clergy)	
	<b>9. First Ballot</b>	
	<b>10. Speaker's Address, <i>the Very Rev. Philip Williams Turner, III.</i></b>	
	<b>11. Break</b>	
	<b>12. Table Discussions</b>	
	<b>13. Break</b>	
	<b>14. Motion from the Mission Committee on Mission Status for Santa Maria Virgen, Midland</b>	
	<b>15. Report on Safeguards for the Protection of Children and Youth</b>	
	<b>16. Elections Committee, First Report</b>	
	<b>17. Second Ballot, if needed</b>	
12:00 NOON	Clergy Spouses' Luncheon, Home of Jerri Alexander, 1158 Elmwood Drive	
12:30 PM	<b>18. Noonday Prayers</b>	
	<b>19. LUNCH</b>	
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	<b>28. Early Evening Worship</b>	
4:30 P.M.	<b>29. Announcements and ADJOURNMENT</b>	
6:00 PM	<b>SOCIAL HOUR, <i>Frontier Texas!</i> 625 North First Street (<i>cash bar</i>)</b>	
7:00 PM	<b>DINNER AND DANCE, <i>Frontier Texas!</i> 625 North First Street</b> (Dress: Casual Western with lawn-friendly footwear)	
<b><u>Sunday, October 29, 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</u></b>		
8:30 AM	<b>30 RECONVENE -<i>Abilene Civic Center</i></b>	
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- D. Canterbury at Texas Tech, *the Rev. Lauren Browder, Chaplain*
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*The Rev. Allan Conkling, Emmanuel Church, San Angelo*

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**40 Commissioning of Elected and Appointed Officials and Staff**

**41 BREAK**

**10:30 AM**

**CONVENTION EUCHARIST, ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE,  
AND UNITED THANK OFFERING INGATHERING**

**Abilene Civic Center, 1100 North Sixth Street**

**The Rt. Rev. Wallis Ohl, Preacher**

(Clergy: cassock, surplice and red stole. Altar party: alb and red stole.)

## Commissioning of Elected and Appointed Diocesan Officials and Staff

*All elected or appointed officers, chairs, and members of commissions, boards, and committees of the diocese now stand for commissioning.*

Bishop: Will you now commit yourself to service and mission in God's Holy Church and to carry out the duties and responsibilities of your office?

*Answer: I will with God's help.*

Bishop: Will you continue in the Apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and in the prayers?

*Answer: I will with God's help.*

Bishop: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*Answer: I will with God's help.*

Bishop: May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen you, that in this and all things, you may do God's will in the service of the Kingdom of His Christ. Amen.

Bishop: I, Wallis, Bishop of the Church in this Diocese here assembled, commend to you this work, and pledge you our prayerful encouragement and support.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, look with favor upon these persons who have now reaffirmed their commitment to follow Christ and to serve in His name. Give them courage, patience, and vision; and strengthen us all in our Christian vocation of witness and service to the world, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

