# Nominees for Open Diocesan Leadership Positions in the Episcopal Diocese of Central New York (2022)

## Diocesan Board

Convention 2022 will elect:

- One lay person for a three-year term;
- One clergy person for a three-year term.

## Nominations received for the Board:

## The Rev. Molly Payne-Hardin



A lifelong Episcopalian, Molly's ministry is most often in creating spaces that foster learning and reflection (like Godly Play, Inquirers' Classes, or a prayer group). Appointed to the Board in 2019, she's rector of Trinity Church, Watertown. She's active in her deanery, mentored lay preachers, and co-facilitates Adventures in Ministry (AIM). Thanks to the pandemic and CNY's giant heart, her Sacred Ground group was in Binghampton and her Speak Faith prayer partner in Norwich. Ordained in 2017, she's wife to Michael Hardin and volunteers in mental health services for Jefferson County. She loves to hear about dogs, a poem you love, or something you're making/creating.

## Ms. Jane Gendron



Recently retired as Executive Director of the American Red Cross (NNY), Jane is a lifelong Episcopalian who has worshiped at St. John's (Black River) and Trinity (Watertown). At St. John's, she served on the vestry and as treasurer. She's been a warden, treasurer, and vestry member at Trinity where she continues to serve as usher, lector, and parish life event leader. She's in her second year of the College for Congregational Development. Prior to serving the Red Cross, she was Executive Director of the Thousand Islands Girl Scout Council. Prior to nonprofit life, she worked in the banking industry for 21 years. She enjoys time with her family and dog, Simba, and is active in the community.

## Disciplinary Board

Convention 2022 will elect:

- Two clergy persons for a three-year term each;
- One lay person for a three-year term.

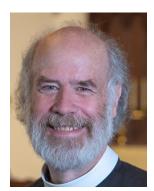
## Nominations received for the Disciplinary Board:

Ms. Doren Norfleet, Esq.



Doren P. Norfleet is a member of Church of the Resurrection in Oswego. She is an attorney and is semi-retired. She currently serves as Town of Minetto Attorney. Doren has been an active member of Resurrection since 1975 and has served in numerous leadership positions. Her family of 3 children and 2 grandchildren were all raised in the Church. Her late husband, Dennis, also served Resurrection and the Diocese. Currently, she serves as Warden, Worship Leader, Lector, and other ministries. In the past she served the Diocese on the Committee of Constitution and Canons. Doren has been and continues to be active in the Oswego community, having served in elected and appointed positions in a variety of positions.

## The Very Rev. Jeffrey Haugaard



Jeff Haugaard is the Rector of St. Paul's Church in Waterloo (on the Western Frontier of the Diocese) and Dean of the Western Syracuse/Finger Lakes District of the Diocese. He was ordained seven years ago after careers as a professor of Human Development at Cornell University and as the Founding Director of The Honors College at the University at Albany. His initial sense of call to ordained ministry came 20 years ago while attending St. Thomas Church in Slaterville Springs and was nurtured by the Rev. Cullie Mowers of St. Thomas and the Rev. Mary White, the Rector of St. Andrew's in Albany. He felt particularly called to serve small, rural parishes.

### The Rev. Ninon Hutchinson



Ninon lives with her husband, Beau, and their four Samoyed sled dogs on a small farm in Croghan, NY. Beau suffers with 9/11 lung disease, placing him in the highest risk group for COVID. This means that Ninon continues to engage from home. She is a retired Priest of the Diocese of Central New York and serves as the Dean of the North Country District. Before retirement, she was the Priest-in-Charge of St. Paul's, Brownville and St. John's, Black River. She was ordained in 1984 in the Diocese of New Jersey, spending most of her time in the Diocese of New York. She has served in small churches for nearly 40 years. She enjoys small church life and the community that develops in their midst. She has experience as a hospital chaplain and as a social worker (CSW). She offers many years of service and experience in the life of the church, the Body of Christ.

## Standing Committee

Convention 2022 will elect:

- One clergy person for a four-year term;
- One clergy person for a three-year term;
- One lay person for a four-year term.

## Nominations received for the Standing Committee:

The Rev. Dawn-Victoria Mitchell



Dawn-Victoria is Priest-in-Charge of St. Mark's in Chenango Bridge. She lives in Binghamton with her Bombay mix cat, Shalimar. Dawn-Victoria came to Central New York in September of 2021 from the Diocese of Missouri. She is canonically resident in the Diocese of Central New York. Currently she is completing an unexpired term on the Standing Committee. She was also on the Standing Committee in Missouri and served as their President for two years during an Episcopal transition. Dawn-Victoria likes to read, hike, and sing in her down time. She is excited to be joining the Downtown Binghamton Singers for their 40th Anniversary concert of Handel's Messiah in December.

## The Rev. Trula Hollywood



Trula lives in Sayre, Pennsylvania and has served as Priest-in-Charge at St. Paul's in Owego since July 2017. She was ordained deacon in 2005 and priest in 2006 while canonically resident in the Diocese of Bethlehem where she served in several churches, including St. Lukes, Scranton; Redeemer, Sayre; Trinity, Athens and two parishes in Susquehanna County, PA. In Bethlehem, she served on the Anti-Racism Committee for 3 years as well as the Commission on Ministry. Currently, she is serving as Dean for the Southern Clericus of CNY. Trula also works at the PA Dept of Aging and has worked in the field of Aging for 30+ years specializing in identification and prevention of elder abuse.

## Mr. John Orr



John H. Orr recently retired to Hamilton after a 40-year career in public relations at major agencies in Philadelphia, New York and Wilmington, Delaware. He joined St. Thomas' in Hamilton in the Fall of 2020 and currently serves on the Vestry and as chairperson of the Strategic Planning Committee. At his previous parish (St. Peter's Church in the Great Valley in Paoli, PA) he served three full terms on Vestry, during which he was Senior Warden twice. During his 35 years there, he was also active on the Communications and Marketing Commissions, as well as founding the St. Peter's Players, an amateur theater organization. John served on the Standing Committee for the Diocese during 2022.

## Dr. Adam Hamilton-Ferguson



Dr. Ferguson lives in Cortland, NY with his husband, son, and foster son, and is a confirmed lay communicant of Grace and Holy Spirit Church, Cortland. In addition to working as a Full-Time Lecturer in the English Department at SUNY Cortland, he is currently Senior Warden of the Vestry and President of the joint Mission Leadership Board. He has also served on the Vestry and a delegate to Diocesan Convention since 2016. In 2018, he was elected to the House of Deputies, and was active in both the CNY deputation and the LGBTQIA+ Caucus, officially recognized for the first time by GC 80. He looks forward to working on church-wide initiatives on congregational vitality, family access, and liturgy.

## Nominations received for the General Convention Deputies:

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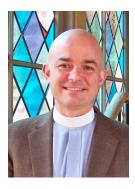
- Four clergy deputies;
- Four lay deputies;
- Four clergy alternates;
- Four lay alternates.

### The Rev. Molly Payne-Hardin



Molly is the rector of Trinity Church, Watertown, and attended General Convention 2022 as a clergy alternate. She was appointed to Diocesan Board in 2019 and is a graduate of the College for Congregational Development. Active in her deanery, she mentors lay preachers, co-facilitates Adventures in Ministry (AIM), and served on the team organizing Speak Faith. She was ordained in the Diocese of Central Gulf Coast (yep, Florida) in 2017, having graduated from the University of the South at Sewanee. A lifelong minister of the Episcopal Church, she's taught Godly Play, mentored an EfM group, and volunteers in mental health services. Her professional work, prior to seminary, was in mass communications.

## The Rev. Paul Frolick



The Rev. Paul Frolick lives in Liverpool and is the rector of St. Matthew's, Liverpool and the director of the College for Congregational Development. He served as chair of the Commission on Ministry from 2019 to 2021 and is currently vice president of the Diocesan Board. He served as an alternate deputy to General Convention in 2015 and as a deputy in 2022. He has a passion for helping develop congregations to be more faithful, healthy, and effective communities of faith and for equipping lay and clergy leaders for ministry

## The Very Rev. Megan Castellan



I am the rector of St. John's, Ithaca. I have served as a deputy to General Convention twice, and as an alternate twice. I currently serve within the diocese as the dean of the Ithaca-Cortland deanery, and on the Commission on Ministry, and I have served in the wider church on the Resolution Review Committee and on the Standing Committee for Structure, Governance, Constitution and Canons. I am passionate about reforming the structures of our church and our world to more fully reflect the good news of Jesus Christ.

#### The Rev. Shelly Banner



Shelly Banner resides in Oswego and serves as priest to St. James, Pulaski, serving on several Diocesan commissions. She served as a deputy to the 2022 General Convention for the first time, having been an alternate deputy. Governance and legislation are her particular interests. and as the Church is governed by the successful resolutions and amendments of the Convention, this is work she loves. All the pertinent issues and concerns of the Church are laid open and come to resolution at convention. Deputies research, investigate, and make informed decisions in order to vote in the bicameral Convention, and those which achieve majority votes are incorporated into Canon and Constitutions of the Church. This might qualify her as a Church Geek.

#### Ms. Karen Anderson



My name is Karen Anderson. I am a parishioner at St. James, Clinton. I am a retired educator. At St. James', I have served on the vestry, the outreach committee, worked with the youth group and Confirm not Conform, Sacred Ground, participated in Rector searches, and lead worship. I am a certified Lay Preacher in the Diocese. I participated in several Diocesan programs, our Diocesan Convention, and am currently working on the Sacred Ground Pilgrimage planning group. I have served as a General Convention deputy in the past and would be thrilled to be selected again.

### Ms. Felicity Hallanan



A member of Trinity Episcopal Church, Watertown, Felicity Hallanan lives in Sandy Creek. General Convention 2024 would be her fifth experience as a Lay Deputy, including membership on committees for Evangelism and Communications, Environmental Stewardship and Care of Creation and, most recently in Baltimore, the Committee on World Mission. She has been a lay reader, Eucharistic minister and choir member in churches in the U.S. and Europe. In CNY she has served as longtime member of the Standing Committee and, as a photo-journalist, covered a medical mission to El Salvador for the publication Episcopal News; she is also a member of the National Assn. of the 10th Mountain Division, and on the Board of Directors of ConnextCare clinics, Oswego County

Ms. Pamela Talbott



I live in Freeville New York and attend St. John's in Ithaca New York. I am a social worker, with a private practice in Ithaca. I work with children and young adults who are dealing with issues of anxiety and trauma. I have been a member of St. John's for over 20 years. I currently coordinate the Laundry Love ministry and am chair of the Liturgy Committee. I was a delegate to the 80th General Convention and became totally engrossed in the inner workings of the church. I am passionately interested in safeguarding youth and other vulnerable people attending our churches as well as racial justice and reconciliation. This past year I participated in Sacred Grounds.

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#### Ms. Kate Bell



Kate Bell has been attending and falling in love with Syracuse St Alban's Episcopal Church for most of 20 years; the Diocese of Central New York for over 10 years; and now General Convention once. She considers herself as much "Old Guard" as "New". She cherishes the old traditions and the Wisdom of the Elders (and the 1928 BCP) and delights in the rise of new leadership (and electronic BCP). She is a Lay Episcopal Chaplain in Eldercare, a former United Methodist minister, a wife and mom, and a logistics and church order geek.

Ms. Jill Morales



Jill lives in Lowville, NY with her husband, Alex Morales. She attends Trinity Episcopal Church Lowville and is currently the Warden-in-charge. She is a lifetime Episcopalian and has been involved in church and Diocesan activities since she was a teenager in Maine. Currently, she is an Assistant Secretary to Convention and Secretary and member of the Standing committee here in the Diocese of CNY. After 21 wonderful years with GE Healthcare, Jill made the decision to focus her time on volunteering and enjoying her life in the North Country. Jill has the background and skillset to effectively represent our Diocese at General Convention in 2024.

#### Ms. Martha Berry, Esq.

Martha resides in Canastota New York and is a communicant of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church in Hamilton, New York where she sings in the choir and is a lay-reader. Martha serves as a Co-Chancellor for the Diocese and has been one of the Chancellors since 2014. Martha also serves as the Chancellor for Province II of which Bishop DeDe Duncan Probe is the President. Martha is a lawyer with a practice in Fayetteville, New York.