



BISHOP'S FALL CONFERENCE

+ NOW into the World +

October 15-17, 2018 | Tuesday Morning Workshops

These workshops will be offered at both 9:20 and 11:35 on Tuesday morning.

Bringing Camp Home ...

Paris Ball

Attending a faith-centered summer camp, like a Shrine Mont Camps program, can be a “mountain top” experience for many children and youth. For many, a camp experience is a chance to explore and develop their relationship with God and themselves, and it can be a strong part of their faith journey. However, that journey needs to be nurtured throughout the year and not just during camp, and campers need support “in the valley of the world” to translate their experiences back home. In this workshop, we will unpack some ways that faith is formed at camp, explore ways that Formation Leaders in congregations can nurture – strengthen – and build on the camp experiences and brainstorm how Camp and Congregation can work together to take care of young people!

Paris Ball is the Director of Faith Formation at the Diocese of Virginia

The Future of Faith Formation

Bill Campbell

“Will our Children Have Faith” is now more than 40 years old. Have you seen a change? Where are we going in discipleship ministry? In this workshop we will describe our current state of formation and work together to move forward in the 21st century. This workshop will be collaborative not a lecture. There will be some information shared about ways that Forma and the Episcopal Church Foundation might be able to help.

Bill Campbell is the Executive Director of Forma

Mission, Outreach and Diversity through Beloved Community

Aisha Huertas

At its 78th General Convention, The Episcopal Church urged all churches to establish a response to systemic injustice. To address this charge, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, House of Deputies President Gay Jennings, and other leaders presented a strategic vision entitled “Becoming Beloved Community: The Episcopal Church’s Long-term Commitment to Racial Healing, Reconciliation, and Justice.” What does this movement mean for the future of our Church in vision and in practice? How does the Diocese of Virginia engage in this work? Our workshop will give an introduction to this project and allow participants to discuss and share ideas of how our Diocese can become part of the Beloved Community.

Aisha Huertas is the Director of Mission, Outreach & Development at the Diocese of Virginia

Living into the Next Chapter of Our Story

Julia Randle, Helen Spence & the Rev. Grant Ambrose

Join our fall conference diocesan leadership panel for a conversation about our bishop election process. Julia Randle will begin with the historical context of the Episcopate in Virginia. Helen



Spence, President of the Standing Committee, and the Rev. Grant Ambrose, Secretary of the Standing Committee will then review our current work on the issue of Bishop Provisional, and answer questions to the extent they can.

**Julia Randle is the Registrar and Historiographer at the Diocese of Virginia
Helen Spence is President of the Standing Committee
the Rev. Grant Ambrose is Secretary of the Standing Committee**

Becoming a Neighborhood Church

Melissa Rau

Most churches want to meet the needs of their congregants and the surrounding community around them. In this workshop, we'll talk about ways churches can evaluate their current place in the world and consider different approaches to ensure their church remains relevant in today's changing world. Furthermore, will have tough conversations about the current state of formation and discipleship and how we might better engage families with children and youth.

**Melissa Rau is the Senior Program Director of Leadership at
Episcopal Church Foundation**