



## The 227<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Diocese of Virginia

November 11-13, 2019, Crystal City Gateway Marriott Hotel, Arlington, Virginia

### Elected Positions Nomination Form

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position Sought: Standing Committee: LAY \_\_\_\_\_ Clergy \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Church Name, Location \_\_\_\_\_

[Read details](#) about the Standing Committee commitments and responsibilities.

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**Please provide a biographical sketch for publication, including elected or appointed positions or ministries held at the parish, provincial and/or national church level and highlighting why you would like the position and believe you are qualified. Please include a digital photograph with the nomination form.**

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Mail, fax or e-mail completed form **no later than Tuesday, October 26, 2021** to:  
Secretary of the Diocese, 110 W. Franklin Street, Richmond, VA 23220  
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Standing Committee

Biographical Sketch.

The Rev. Kristin P. R. Wickersham, SOSc.

After many years of lay leadership in the Diocese of Virginia, I was ordained to the priesthood in 2019. In my first career I worked as an Environmental Chemist with the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C., New York, N.Y., and Connecticut. After retirement from government service I moved back to Virginia and was community leader in Richmond where I served as trustee and board vice-chair of an independent K-8 school. During my tenure, the board successfully expanded the school by purchasing land that doubled the size of the campus, funding the expansion through a successful capital campaign. At the parish level, I've served as vestry member of St. Stephen's, Richmond, as lay delegate to Convention from St. James's, Richmond, and was called by St. James's as interim Director of Youth Ministries. As a lay leader, I led bible studies, coordinated parish retreats, served as a eucharistic minister and visitor, lector, and chorister. I hold a B.A. in Biochemistry from Goucher College, an M. Div. from Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond (where I was awarded their highest academic recognition, the Sallie Shepherd Perkins Fellowship), and a Certificate in Anglican Studies from Virginia Theological Seminary. I currently serve as Associate Rector of St. Thomas, Richmond where I preach, teach, assist with pastoral care, and lead our newcomers and evangelism ministries. Prior to this, I was called as the Rector of St. Peter's, New Kent where I served for 19 months. Despite the pandemic, during my rectorship the church grew. In that time, we upgraded the parish management system, bringing more transparency regarding parish finances. We also enhanced and expanded internet access at the church, which had been a major impediment to online worship and programs in our rural context. Since my ordination, I have served the diocese as a member of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, and was recently appointed to the Creation Care Task Force. I am trained in conflict transformation through the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center's Mediation Skills Training Institute. I am a member of the Society of Ordained Scientists, a dispersed religious society which began in the Church of England and now has members internationally.

During this time of rapid changes in both the national church and our own diocese, I offer experience as both a lay leader and an ordained leader within the diocese. I have served in both small rural and large urban churches. I am from Northern Virginia, but settled in Richmond in 2000. As we search for our new diocesan bishop, I believe it is important for us to hear from the rich variety of people and parishes that make up our diocese. Through deep listening to our own experiences as the Church and prayerful discernment of the movement of the Holy Spirit, we will faithfully move into the next part of our journey as the Diocese of Virginia, proclaiming the redeeming love of Jesus Christ to and for all people. I hope to be part of that future by serving on the Standing Committee. Please pray continually for the church, and for those chosen to serve Christ in this way and all ways.

Peace and Good,  
Kristin+

