

North Richmond Region Report for Convention

Our Region is currently made up of ten congregations:

- *All Souls Church, Mechanicsville – The Rev. Katherine Dougherty (Vicar)*
- *Calvary Church, Hanover – The Rev. Victor King (Vicar)*
- *Church of Our Saviour, Montpelier—The Rev. Emily Krudys (Vicar)*
- *Church of the Creator, Mechanicsville—The Rev. Bill Burk (Rector)*
- *Church of the Epiphany, Henrico— The Rev Kristin Wickersham (Priest in Charge)*
- *Emmanuel Church, Brook Hill, Henrico— The Rev. Kevin Newell (Priest in Charge)*
- *Immanuel Church, Old Church, Mechanicsville— The Rev. Robin Teasley (Interim Rector)*
- *St. James the Less Church, Ashland—The Rev. Rock Higgins (Rector)*
- *St. Paul’s Church, Hanover— The Very Rev. “Ben” Shelton (Priest in Charge, Dean)*
- *The Fork Church, Doswell—The Rev. K. Nicholas Forti (Rector)*

Ours is a region very much in transition. Dr. George Spagna became president shortly before the pandemic. With our then Dean the Very Rev. Judy Davis they recruited as our new Treasurer Ms. Kelly Evko. Since signers could only be added to the checking account with signatures from all signers, and since two of three allowed signers had left the Diocese, we opened a new account transferring the funds over the signature of the outgoing treasurer. When Judy+ moved out of the Region the Very Rev. Ben Shelton was named to fill that role. In the coming year we will welcome the Very Rev. Katherine Dougherty as our newest Dean.

As with individual parishes adapting to pandemic measures, the region began meeting via Zoom and quickly realized that it was best to stay in communication while scaling back regional activities.

We are now transitioning out of that posture, resuming in-person meetings and exploring ways to enhance ministries on a regional basis. We purchased a new curriculum for youth and implemented a regional youth program, hosted weekly at St. James the Less. We sent a contribution to Episcopal Relief and Development to assist with Afghan refugee outreach. We will continue that support and are discussing enhanced support for ECW scholarships within the region. We are also looking at further support for Shrinemont maintenance needs.

We look forward to growing in our love and service.

Faithfully submitted

Dr. George Spagna, President