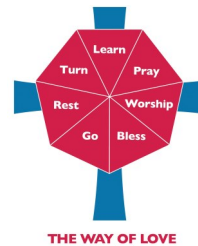




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October 21-22, 2022

Ramada by Wyndham - Fargo, ND



Theme: Living into the Way of Love

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Resolutions

To be considered at Diocesan Convention

Resolution #1 (*Submitted by: Chancellor Leo Wilking on behalf of the Canons Committee*)

RESOLVED,

that Canon 2, Section 1(a), of the Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota be amended as follows: (a) The Diocese shall meet annually, the meeting to be known as the Annual Convention, at the time and place designated by the Bishop, with the advice and consent of the Diocesan Council. The time and place of each Annual Convention shall be communicated by appropriate means to all members of the Diocese at least 18 months in advance of that Annual Convention.

Resolution #2: Gun Violence (*Submitted by: St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Fargo*)

RESOLVED,

that this Convention deplores the increase in gun violence across the United States, including mass shootings in schools, churches, grocery stores and shopping malls, and urges our state and Federal officeholders to take further action to limit or eliminate the availability of guns and high-capacity magazines – especially weapons of war such as the AR-15 rifle — to those persons unfit to purchase them.

And, be it further resolved that the Secretary of the Convention is instructed to forward this resolution to the Episcopal Church Office of Government Relations and to the Governor of North Dakota and Members of Congress from North Dakota.

Resolution #3: Reproductive Rights (*Submitted by: St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Fargo*)

RESOLVED,

that this Convention deplores the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* and affirms that reproductive rights are human rights and that the decision to have an abortion is a decision that should be left to the woman and her physician, with limited restrictions.

And, be it further resolved that the Secretary of the Convention is instructed to forward this resolution to the Episcopal Church Office of Government Relations and to the Governor of North Dakota and Members of Congress from North Dakota.



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Resolution #4: Creation Care (*Submitted by: Diocesan Creation Care Committee*)

RESOLVED,

That the 2022 Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota, consistent with General Convention Resolution AO88, encourage the Diocesan Council and all Diocesan parishes to learn more about the scientific realities, pressing moral implications, and needs (especially in parish areas) related to climate change; *and be it further*

RESOLVED,

That the 2022 Annual Convention encourage the Diocesan Council and Diocesan parishes to advocate for local and state policies and solutions to climate change and its consequences, utilizing and adapting resources from the Episcopal Church (and from other local, state, and national sources) related to creation care, environmental advocacy, and environmental justice; *and be it further*

RESOLVED,

That the 2022 Annual Convention encourage local parishes to incorporate local nature, environmental justice, and advocacy for creation care into all aspects of community life and Christian education and worship.

(General Convention of the Episcopal Church Resolution AO88 can be found at:
<http://www.vbinder.net/resolutions/88?house=HD&lang=en>)