



SHAPED BY FAITH

Shaped by Faith Annual Report Convention 2020

At Diocesan Convention in 2019, we formally launched *Shaped by Faith*, a diocesan-wide initiative inviting participants to reshape our Diocese with vitality and strength, enabling us to serve God's mission most fully here in Central Pennsylvania. We have grounded our process utilized the guiding words outlined by Bishop Scanlan in her address to Convention in 2018: **Discovery, Experimentation, Creativity & Collaboration.**

The bulk of this work is accomplished through regional cohorts in each of our seven Convocations. Three member teams from each parish are asked to commit to nine meetings over an eighteen month period, culminating in a reconfiguration plan. 24 regional meetings have already been held; an additional 54 are scheduled before the completion of this three-year program. Special thanks to the members of our Shaped by Faith leadership team for leading this work:

The Rt. Rev. Audrey Scanlan, *Bishop*

The Rev. Canon Chris Streeter, *Canon for Mission Development & Innovation*

The Rev. Canon Dan Morrow, *Canon for Congregational Life & Mission*

Canon Chad Linder, *Canon for Finance & Operations*

Amy Swiernik, *Experienced Lay Leader*

LaToya Harden, *Support*

An array of resources, including congregational development and mission configuration models, have been shared to help shape this work. All of the materials presented, along with multiple videos and webinars, can be found on the Shaped by Faith section of our Diocesan website. Please refer to our website for additional information regarding the shape and scope of our program:

<http://www.diocesecpa.org/shapedbyfaith>

Our format was required to adjust in response to COVID-19. All meetings through March of 2021 are now virtual and all Shaped by Faith team members are being enrolled in an online learning platform to help enable the successful continuation of this work. Our timeline has also been increased to ensure that all teams will complete their 18-month journey. Our schedule for Shaped by Faith regional meetings is:



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Convocation	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2021	2021	2021
	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March
				Diocesan Convention Saturday, October 17					
West Branch	Individual Check-Ins		Sunday, Sept. 20 4-5 pm (6)		Sunday, Nov. 22 4-5 pm (7)		Sunday, Jan. 31 4-5 pm (8)		Sunday, March 21 4-5 pm (9)
Northern Tier	Individual Check-Ins		Sat. Sept. 12 10-11 am (5)		Sat. Nov. 21 10-11 am (6)		Sat. Jan. 30 10-11 am (7)		Sat. March 20 10-11 am (8)
Susquehanna	Individual Check-Ins		Sunday, Sept. 20 2-3 pm (4)		Sunday, Nov. 22 2-3 pm (5)		Sunday, Jan. 31 2-3 pm (6)		Sunday, March 21 2-3 pm (7)
Harrisburg			Sunday, Sept. 13 3-5pm (1)		Sunday, Nov. 15 2-3 pm (2)		Sunday, Jan. 17 2-3 pm (3)		Sunday, March 14 2-3 pm (4)
Altoona	Monday, July 27 6-7 pm (reboot)			Thursday, Oct. 15 6-7 pm (3)		Thursday, Dec. 10 6-7 pm (4)		Thursday, Feb. 11 6-7 pm (5)	
Lancaster	Sunday, July 26 2-3 pm (reboot)			Sunday, Oct. 11 2-3 pm (3)		Sunday, Dec. 13 2-3 pm (4)		Sunday, Feb. 21 2-3 pm (5)	
Southern	Thursday, July 30 6-7 pm (reboot)			Tuesday, Oct. 13 6-7 pm (3)		Tuesday, Dec. 15 6-7 pm (4)		Tuesday, Feb. 9 6-7 pm (5)	



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Convocation	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
		Shaped by Faith Event					Diocesan Convention October 15 & 16		
West Branch			Check-In #1			Check-In #2			
Northern Tier		Meeting #9				Check-In #1			Check-In #2
Susquehanna		Meeting #8		Meeting #9			Check-In #1		
Harrisburg		Meeting #5		Meeting #6			Meeting #7		Meeting #8
Altoona	Meeting #6		Meeting #7			Meeting #8		Meeting #9	
Lancaster	Meeting #6		Meeting #7			Meeting #8		Meeting #9	
Southern	Meeting #6		Meeting #7			Meeting #8		Meeting #9	



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Convocation	2022	2022	2022	2022	2022	2022
	January	February	March	April	May	June
	Shaped by Faith Event				Shaped by Faith Event	
West Branch			WB, NT & Susq. Event			
Northern Tier			WB, NT & Susq. Event			
Susquehanna			WB, NT & Susq. Event			
Harrisburg		Meeting #9			Check-In #1	
Altoona		Check-In #1			Check-In #2	
Lancaster		Check-In #1			Check-In #2	
Southern		Check-In #1			Check-In #2	

Our regional work has been supplemented and enhanced with course offerings through our Stevenson School for Ministry. These courses are offered on a voucher system at no cost to Shaped by Faith parish team members. Topics have ranged from Stewardship and Parish Administration to Evangelism and Conflict Transformation. Special thanks to **The Very Rev. Robyn Szoke-Coolidge**, Dean of the Stevenson School for Ministry for her support of this work.

COVID-19 required the cancellation of a Diocesan-wide event featuring Diana Butler Bass concentrated around sharing our common stories. Special thanks to **Carolyn Joy Patterson and Debbie Robelen** for their leadership and energy with this component of our Shaped by Faith program. We look forward to sharing news of a rescheduled opportunity for our entire Diocese to gather together in the coming year!

Finally, a personal note of gratitude for the care and kindness shown as my family and I moved to this Diocese, and I have worked to help administer this program. I am thrilled to be part of this vital ministry in our Diocese, and for the opportunity to work with clergy and lay leaders in each and every one of our congregations. Thank you, Bishop Scanlan, for your vision in implementing this important work in Central Pennsylvania, and for inviting me to join in reshaping our beloved community.

Faithfully submitted,

The Rev. Canon Christopher M. Streeter
Canon for Mission Development & Innovation