

118th Annual Convention / Diocese of Western Massachusetts

Saturday, November 9

Tower Square Hotel, Springfield

AGENDA

- 7 a.m. Registration opens
- 7:45 a.m. Budget hearings (optional) with Steve Abdow
- 8:30 a.m. Prayer and call to order
Treasurer's report
- 8:45 a.m. Bishop's address
- 9:15 a.m. Report from Committee on Credentials and Registration
Nomination and Election of Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and Secretary and appointment of Assistant Secretaries
Special order video: Revival Year 2
Commissioning of Lawrence House Interns
Report from the Elections Committee and First Ballot
Special order video: Love in a Backpack
- 10:30 a.m. Break and move to worship space
- 10:45 a.m. Eucharist
- 12 noon Lunch
- 12:45 Reconvene
Greetings from special guests:
Alex Chatfield Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts
Dr. M. Saleem Bajwa Islamic Society of Western Massachusetts
Rabbi Mark D. Shapiro Rabbi in Resident, Christ Church Cathedral
The Rev. Laura E. Everett Massachusetts Council of Churches

Clergy appointments, retirements and moves

Special order: Bishops Doug Fisher and Mark Beckwith, and Rabbi Mark Shapiro: 2020 Trip to Israel

Special order video: Community Labyrinth in Greenfield

1:30 p.m. Election - Second Ballot

Special order videos: Trustees: Money & Mission

2020 Plan for Use of Mission Resources and Budget Proposal

Introduction of Human to Human

Blessing of Prayer Shawls and UTO Ingathering

2:20 pm 10 minute break

Special order video: Requiem for Victims of Gun Violence

Election – Third ballot (if needed)

Special order video: Exploration into Christian Leadership

Report from Committee on Constitution and Canons – Don Allison
(Canon 16B - Of the Status of Federated Episcopal/ELCA Parishes)

Special order video: St. Mark's Community Center

3:20 p.m. Report on "Creation Care in Our Congregations" resolution, from
Diocesan Deputation to 79th General Convention

Report from the Committee on Resolutions
“Good News for All Creation” resolution
Courtesy and Bishop’s address resolutions

Closing items
Prayer

4:00 p.m. Blessing and dismissal