



Clergy Nominee

The Rev. Dr. Jared Cramer

St. John's, Grand Haven

Brief Biography:

The Rev. Dr. Jared C. Cramer grew up here in West Michigan and has served for the past eight years as Rector of St. John's Episcopal Church in Grand Haven, MI. At St. John's, he also leads the El Corazón Latino Ministry Initiative. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies, with a minor in Biblical Languages from Rochester College and a Master of Divinity from the Graduate School of Theology of Abilene Christian University in Abilene, TX. He received his Anglican training through the completion of a Master of Sacred Theology at the School of Theology of the University of the South in Sewanee, TN. In 2017, he was also awarded a Doctor of Ministry degree from the same institution with a focus upon Anglican liturgy, theology, and history and its intersection with the life of a congregation. He has also done training through the Lombard Mennonite Center in Healthy Congregations, Mediation Skills for Church Leaders, and Clergy Clinic on Emotional Family Practices.

Most recent parish level ministries and offices:

Rector, St. John's Episcopal Church, Grand Haven, MI

Most recent diocesan or church-wide ministries and offices:

DIOCESAN

First Alternate Deputy, General Convention 2018

Convener of the Deans of the Dioceses (2010–2016)

Dean of the Lakeshore Deanery (2010–2016)

Chair of the Commission on Ministry (2013–2015), Member of COM in 2012

CHURCH-WIDE

Representative of The Episcopal Church to the Faith & Order Commission of the National Council of Churches, (2010–2014)

Anti-racism training or engagement:

Fr. Cramer serves on the Leadership Team for the Lakeshore Ethnic Diversity Alliance in Northwest Ottawa County. He has been active in that organization, participating in trainings and workshops as well as planning initiatives since 2014. Additionally, he has actively participated in that organization's annual Summit on Race and Inclusion, most recently attending in 2016. In September of this past year, he facilitated a four-part series on Race Relations using resources from Trinity Wall Street's "Epistles and Prophets" series.

Current service in the community:

Leadership Team for the Lakeshore Ethnic Diversity Alliance in Northwest Ottawa County (2014–current) Advisory Council for Extended Grace in Grand Haven



Lay Nominee

Anne Davidson

St. Mark's, Coldwater

Brief Biography:

Anne is a cradle Episcopalian, raised across the big lake in the Diocese of Fond du Lac. She studied at Lawrence University, University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh, Southern Utah University, Utah State University, and Kellogg Community College. She worked as a Physical Therapist Assistant for 10 years, in Battle Creek and Coldwater. Anne is well-known in the diocese as an iconographer - a painter/writer of icons, and her work can be seen in the Display area at Diocesan Conventions, as well as in churches and homes in the diocese and across the country. She worked for many years as part of the Diocesan Consulting Team, primarily assisting parishes in transition to organize and make good decisions re the rector search process. Anne studied Appreciative Inquiry with Rob Voyle+. Serving on the Standing Committee is a role Anne considers very important, and she is seeking a second term. She is married to Neal, lives in Coldwater, and they have two grown daughters and a grandson.

Most recent parish level ministries and offices:

Vestry member (current), Memorial Fund Comm.(chair), Worship/Liturgy Committee (chair), Verger/Eucharistic Minister/Lector, Prayer Shawl Comm.(co-chair).

Most recent diocesan or church-wide ministries and offices:

Currently a member of Standing Committee, seeking a second term;

Lay Deputy to 2018 General Convention;

Chair of the Certification of Minutes Committee at the 2018 General Convention;

Served on the House of Deputies' Staff at 2015 General Convention as Assistant Minutes Secretary;

Anti-racism training or engagement:

Certified: Healing Racism Workshop - Feb. 2018

Current service in the community:

Currently a member of Women Who Care of Branch County;

Participant in the 'Warming Fence' project at St. Mark's, for the benefit of the community;

Former board member of the Tibbits Opera Foundation, and former chair of the Tibbits Summer Theatre Committee;

CONVENTION BUSINESS

ELECTIONS TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE



Clergy Nominee

The Rev. Brian Coleman

Church of St. Thomas, Battle Creek

Brief Biography:

Fr. Brian has served in ordained ministry for 20 years first in his sponsoring diocese in Los Angeles, then in Sheffield, England, and for the past ten years in Battle Creek. He is married to Dr. John Moore, a psychology professor at Olivet College. He is an iconographer studying with the Prosopon School of Iconology. He recently served as priest-in-residence for two weeks for St. James' Mission on Beaver Island.

Most recent parish level ministries and offices:

Rector, Church of St. Thomas, Battle Creek

Most recent diocesan or church-wide ministries and offices:

Standing Committee

Deputy to General Convention

Task Force for Restructuring the Diocese

Dean of the Eastern Deanery

Vice-President of Diocesan Council

Anti-racism training or engagement:

Healing Racism Workshop 2018

Anti-Racism Training 2013

Current service in the community:

Community Organizer

City Council Human Relations Board

Plainsong Farm Board Chairman