Honoring the Past,
Celebrating the Present,
Embracing the Future!

October 25/26, 2013
Detroit Marriott Hotel
At the Renaissance Center
Detroit, Michigan

Dated information enclosed.
Please open, disassemble packet
and respond immediately.
All reservation
forms are due October 11.
Thank you!
“Honoring the Past, Celebrating the Present, Embracing the Future”

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On behalf of our volunteers, staff, committees and all of the congregations of our diocese, I am pleased to invite you to the 179th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan. We are pleased to welcome our presiding bishop, The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori as our honored guest this year. Convention will take place at the Marriott Hotel at the Renaissance Center in Detroit. Detailed information regarding logistics, registration, and hotel accommodations are included in this packet.

The full schedule is enclosed, but here are some highlights that I encourage you to take note of:

- The Pre-convention workshop – Ruach: Renewing the Spirit & the Five Marks of Mission at 10:00 a.m., hosted at Christ Church, Detroit (three blocks from the Renaissance Center). The Rev. Michelle Meech, Director of the Whitaker Institute, and Canon Jim Gettel, Canon for Congregational Life, will lead this timely and interactive workshop.
- Our time together on Friday will begin at 2:00 p.m. as we offer a special Conversation with Bishop Katharine. The event is open to all – you will certainly want to attend.
- Friday afternoon continues with the opening business session at 4:00 p.m. which will include introduction of clergy new to the diocese, installation of new deans, introduction of staff, consideration of potential “late filed” resolutions and the opening of the polls for voting.
- At 5:15 p.m., there will be a pre-banquet reception hosted by the Whitaker Institute in the Exhibit Area. At that time, you will have an opportunity to visit with one another, bid at the Whitaker silent auction, stop by and chat with and support our exhibitors, and “Meet the Candidates” who are running for diocesan office.
- Our convention dinner will begin at 6:15 p.m. The dinner will be followed by the Convention Eucharist, where Bishop Katharine will preach. A “Friends of Emrich” reception will follow in the Volt Lounge in the Marriott Lobby. Everyone is invited to stop by and join the fun!
- On Saturday, the Committee on Reference will moderate an open hearing on the resolutions at 7:00 a.m. Special orders of business will include the bishop’s address, an address by Bishop Katharine, and an update on Youth and Young Adult Ministries. Bishop Katharine will also have an opportunity to meet with our diocesan youth in the morning, and will share in a luncheon with the spouses and partners of our diocesan clergy.

I look forward to welcoming youth, young adults, exhibitors, clergy, companions, delegates, visitors and friends to our annual household reunion. We have so much to be grateful for and I consider this yearly gathering of our diocesan family a blessing and a joy.

May God’s grace and peace strengthen and encourage us in the work of mission to which we have all been called.

Faithfully,

Bishop
Dear Members of Diocesan Convention:

Your official packet of information and materials for use at the 179th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan is enclosed. The convention takes place at the Marriott Hotel, Detroit, Michigan, October 25 and 26, 2013. If, as a Lay Delegate, you are unable to attend, please PASS ON this entire packet to an Alternate Delegate from your congregation.

**NOTE:** Delegate registration will open on Friday, October 25 at 12 noon and on Saturday, October 26 at 7:00 a.m. **Convention will convene on Friday at 4:00 p.m.** The Committee on Reference will hold its hearing on resolutions at 7:00 a.m., on Saturday with the business session beginning at 8:00 a.m.

**REGISTRATION/CREDENTIALS:** A delegate registration/credential card is enclosed. Please fill out (print or type) the enclosed credential card and present it at the Convention Registration Table. Please have your card ready before your arrival.

**LODGING:** Overnight accommodations for Friday, October 25 are available at the Marriott Hotel. Rooms are held under “Episcopal Diocese of Michigan.” **Please contact the Marriott Hotel by October 11th** at 800-352-0831 to make your reservation. A flyer is enclosed in this packet with additional details.

**MEALS:** Reservation forms are enclosed for the following:

- Convention Banquet on Friday, October 25 and for lunch on October 26.

Reservation forms must be received no later than October 11th.
RESOLUTIONS: Copies of canonically proper resolutions timely filed with the Secretary of Convention and processed by the Committee on Reference are enclosed. Resolutions that do not meet this criteria must have the approval of two-thirds of the Convention to be considered and debated. Please note that only certified delegates may speak during Convention debate. Late filed resolutions should be emailed electronically to the secretary of convention secretaryofconvention@edomi.org and chair of the committee on reference slaterj@umich.edu by the time it is presented on the floor of convention.

THE NECROLOGY: Members of convention (lay delegates or clergy) who have died since our last convention will be remembered during the convention day. Please send names via email to jhardy@edomi.org, or enclose them in the Convention Reservation return envelope.

We look forward to an educational and inspirational convention as our diocesan family gathers for fellowship, discussion and prayer.

Sincerely,

The Very Rev. Dr. W. Richard Hamlin
Secretary of Convention

Questions regarding diocesan convention can be addressed to:
The Very Rev. Dr. W. Richard Hamlin, Secretary of Convention:
secretaryofconvention@edomi.org

Canon Jo Ann Hardy, Diocesan Administrator: jhardy@edomi.org or 313/833-4422

Note: A self addressed return envelope is enclosed for your convenience in returning all reservation forms to the diocesan office. If you are sending payment for any meals or services, please enclose all of the necessary forms, and submit payment via one check, made payable to “Diocese of Michigan.” Return form(s) and check to: Diocesan Convention Reservations, 4800 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, MI 48201. All reservation forms are due no later than October 11.

Thank You!
Thursday, October 24, 2013
7:00 p.m. Clergy Reception and Conversation with the Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori - The Inn at St. John’s, 44045 Five Mile, Plymouth, MI (Judea Room)

Friday, October 25, 2013
10:00 a.m. Workshop - “Ruach and the Five Marks of Mission” - Location: Christ Church, Detroit (960 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI

12:00 p.m. Convention Registration Opens at the Detroit Marriott - Ambassador Foyer
2:00 Conversation with Bishop Katharine (Open to all) – Ambassador Ballroom
4:00 Exhibit Area Opens - Ambassador Foyer
4:00 Opening Business Session of Convention followed by Opening of the Polls - Ambassador
5:15 Reception Hosted by Whitaker Institute & Meet the Candidates in Exhibit area
6:15 Convention Banquet - Ambassador Ballroom
7:45 Convention Eucharist (Bishop Katharine, preacher)
9:00 “Friends of Emrich” Reception and Raffle - Volt Bar in the Marriott Lobby

Saturday, October 26, 2013
6:30 a.m. Beverages and Pastries Available - Exhibit Area
7:00 Committee on Reference Hearing - LaSalle Room
7:00 Registration, polls, Exhibit areas open - Ambassador Foyer
8:00 Business Session - Morning Prayer led by Youth and Young Adults – Ambassador Ballroom
8:30 Bishop Katharine’s time with Youth - LaSalle Room
9:45 Bishop’s Address to Diocesan Convention - Ambassador Ballroom
10:45 Business Session - Ambassador Ballroom
11:00 Polls Close
11:30 Bishop Katharine’s Address to Diocesan Convention - Ambassador Ballroom
12:00 p.m. Noonday prayers
12:15 Box Lunch Pick up - Ambassador Foyer
(Clergy Spouses and Partners Lunch with Bishop Katharine in Marquette Room)
1:45 Convention reconvenes - Business Session - Ambassador Ballroom
3:00 Exhibit areas close/Registration area
5:00 p.m. or at the Close of Business - Convention Adjourns; Closing Prayer
Rooms have been reserved for Friday night, October 25, 2013 at the convention site:

**Detroit Marriott Hotel at the Renaissance Center**
400 Renaissance Drive
Detroit, MI 48243

**Room Cost**
One King or Two Double Beds:
$125.00 per night

To make your reservation, call the Detroit Marriott Hotel at 1-800-352-0831 or book on-line at [https://resweb.passkey.com/go/episcopaldioceseofmichigan](https://resweb.passkey.com/go/episcopaldioceseofmichigan)

Rooms are held under:
“Episcopal Diocese of Michigan”

*Note:*
The Diocese of Michigan has contracted for a block of rooms with the Detroit Marriott Hotel for convention delegates and guests. Please make your reservation by calling the Detroit Marriott Hotel at the number above so we are properly credited. Thank you for your cooperation!
Marriott Hotel & Parking Information

For additional parking information, please call Metropolitan Parking Services at 313-568-5676

Port Atwater Parking
Fri-$18 / Sat- $9

Beaubien Place Parking
$15 per day
Take the crosswalk over to Ren-Cen.

Beaubien Street

Ambassador Foyer and Ballroom

Registration

Elevators to Guest Rooms

Marriott Hotel Lobby, Volt Bar & Valet Parking
$25 per day

The Detroit River

Atwater

Renaissance Drive West

Jefferson Avenue

Elevators

Renaissance Center

Millender Center
Garage Parking
$15 per day

Note: Valet for Marriott Hotel you must take Beaubien; turn right on Atwater and then right onto Renaissance Drive.
From I-75 (South)
Merge and follow the signs to I-375 South.
Proceed west on Jefferson
Make a left turn at Beaubien St.
Turn right at Atwater Street
Turn right at Renaissance Drive West
The hotel entrance is immediately at the right

From I-75 (North) and I-96 East merge to I-75 (North)
Take I-75 North to Exit 49 Civic Center/ John C. LodgeM10 South
Take M10 south to East Jefferson
Take East Jefferson to Jefferson/ Bates turn right at Bates
Take Bates to Atwater turn left
Take Atwater to Renaissance Drive turn left

From Detroit Metro Airport/I-94
Take I-94 East
Merge onto M-10 South (Lodge Freeway)
Follow the signs that say Civic Center
Exit Jefferson Avenue East
Follow Jefferson Avenue East (stay in the right lane)
Make a right turn onto Bates Street (immediately after Fort Auditorium)
Make a left at Atwater Street (along the Detroit River)
Turn left at Renaissance Drive West
The hotel entrance is immediately on the right
The Convention banquet will be held on **Friday, October 25, 2013** at 6:15 p.m.  
A reception will take place at 5:15 p.m. in the Exhibition area.  
Lunch on **Saturday** will be available at 12:15 p.m.

To reserve meals, please:

- Make all checks payable to “Diocese of Michigan.”
- Mail check and completed form to the address below no later than October 11, 2013.

I would like to reserve:

**Friday, October 25, 2013**

- **Buffet Dinner @ $40.00 per person** (Vegetarian option included)
  
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**Saturday, October 26, 2013**

- **Lunch @ $20.00 per person:** Assorted sandwiches (vegetarian option included), fruit, pasta salad, cookie and beverage.

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Your Name________________________________________________________________
Congregation__________________________________City________________________
Daytime Phone Number (_______) ___________________Email_______________________

Return to the address below in the enclosed envelope no later than October 11, 2013 to

**Diocesan Convention Reservations**
Diocese of Michigan
4800 Woodward
Detroit, MI 48201

Questions??? Contact Sue McCune at smccune@edomi.org or 313/833-4435
Welcome to the Diocese of Michigan, Bishop Katharine!

Katharine Jefferts Schori was elected Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church in June 2006. She serves as chief pastor and primate to the Episcopal Church’s members in 16 countries and 110 dioceses. She joins with other principal bishops of the 38-member Provinces of the worldwide Anglican Communion, seeking a common cause for global good and reconciliation.

Over the course of her 9-year term, Bishop Jefferts Schori is responsible for initiating and developing policy for the Episcopal Church and speaks on behalf of the church regarding the policies, strategies, and programs authorized by General Convention. She has been vocal about the Episcopal Church’s mission priorities, including the United Nation Millennium Development Goals, issues of domestic poverty, climate change and care for the earth, as well as the ongoing need to contextualize the gospel. The Presiding Bishop is charged to speak God's word to the church and to the world.

Bishop Katharine’s career as an oceanographer preceded her studies for the priesthood, to which she was ordained in 1994. She holds a B.S. in biology from Stanford University, an M.S. and Ph.D. in oceanography from Oregon State University, an M.Div. from Church Divinity School of the Pacific, and several honorary doctoral degrees. She remains an active, instrument-rated pilot – a skill she applied when traveling between the congregations of the Diocese of Nevada, where she was elected bishop in 2000 and ordained to the episcopate February 24, 2001. At the time of her election as bishop of Nevada, she was a priest, university lecturer, and hospice chaplain in Oregon.

Bishop Jefferts Schori grew up in the Seattle area and has spent most of her life in the West. Bishop Jefferts Schori and her husband, Richard Miles Schori, a retired mathematician (topologist), were married in 1979. They have one daughter, who is a captain (pilot) in the U.S. Air Force.
What Are the “Five Marks of Mission?”

Developed by the Anglican Consultative Council, the Five Marks of Mission have wide acceptance among Anglicans and give congregations and dioceses around the world a practical and memorable “checklist” for mission activities. They state that the mission of the Church is the mission of Christ:

- To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
- To teach, baptize and nurture new believers
- To respond to human need by loving service
- To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation
- To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

“RUACH: Renewing Spirit” is our commitment as a diocese to work together to become a community where every structure, organization and congregation reflects the joy and vitality of being together in Christ Jesus our Lord. We recognize that this happens when we embark together on a spirit-filled journey of Christian mission.

Ruach: Renewing the Spirit & the Five Marks of Mission

Yes, I will attend the workshop on Friday morning at Christ Church, Detroit

Name__________________________________________ Email________________________________
Congregation ____________________________________ City_________________________________

There is no charge for this workshop. However, if you are planning to attend, please return this tear off in the convention registration envelope so that we can prepare materials for the appropriate number of attendees. Thank you!
The Whitaker Institute Advisory Council invites you to join us for the

Whitaker Reception

Friday, October 26
5:15 pm
Exhibition Hall
179th Diocesan Convention
of the
Episcopal Diocese of Michigan

Silent Auction
Bid on a variety of items to benefit the Whitaker Scholarship Fund!

Giveaways
Whitaker Gift Certificates and Books and Resources by Whitaker Faculty:

- *Confessions of an Ordinary Mystic* by the Rev. Jannel Glennie
- *Liturgy for the Whole Church* by the Rev. Susan Bock
- *God’s Love, Human Freedom, and Christian Faith* by Canon Jim Gettel
- *Creating Video for Teachers and Trainers* by the Rev. Dcn. Tim Spannaus
- *OMG! An Advent Pageant* by the Very Rev. Ian Reed Twiss

Whitaker Institute Advisory Council Members

As the formation/education arm of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan, Whitaker Institute's mission is to provide lifelong Christian formation for all baptized ministers, equipping people for a life in ministry as the Body of Christ broken for the world.
The Emrich family invites you to come, relax, and enjoy fellowship with us on Friday night!

Advisory Council Members
John Barge
Kristina Davis
Cedric Flounory
Jerry Hardy
Andrea Morrow
Indira Samuels
The Rev. Ross Vandercook
Paul Vandevert

Diocesan Staff Liaison
Canon Jo Ann Hardy

Emrich Staff
Lance Spencer
Shari Spencer

Accountant
Kara Chapman

There is no cover charge for this event, and you do not need to register in advance. Just come and have fun!

This event is made possible by generous support from the Office of the Bishop and members of the Emrich Advisory Council with special thanks to Sue McCune & Beth Rowley.

Come to the Friends of Emrich Social Gathering

There is no charge to attend—a cash bar and light snacks will be available. No need to pre-register, just come and enjoy a night of fun and fellowship!

When? Friday, October 25, 9-11 pm

Where? Volt Bar in the Marriott Hotel (in the Lobby)

What? Social time, cash bar, raffle through out the evening!!

Why? Support Emrich! Learn more about Emrich! See old friends! Meet new friends!

The first 100 guests will get FREE Emrich buttons!

Great Raffle Prizes!!
Clergy Spouses & Partners Luncheon

Karlah Gibbs is pleased to invite all spouses and partners of diocesan clergy to lunch during the diocesan convention lunch break.

With special guest
Bishop Katharine

Saturday, October 26th
12:15 p.m.
$20.00 per person
We look forward to seeing you!

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Clergy Spouses and Partners Luncheon—October 26, 2013

Your Name________________________________________________________
I am the spouse/partner of _________________________________________
Amount Enclosed _______

Please return form no later than October 11th to: Diocesan Convention Reservations, 4800 Woodward, Detroit, MI 48201. Please make check payable to “Diocese of Michigan”.

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Join us!

Youth and Young Adults at Diocesan Convention
Oct 25-26, 2013
Detroit Marriott Hotel, Renaissance Center

Are you interested in seeing how the Episcopal Church “works”?  

Come and join the YAYA group at Diocesan Convention and be a part of your church and participate in the following:

- Friday Night Banquet & Convention Eucharist
- Help lead Sat Morning Prayer
- See what the Episcopal Church is doing
- Special Q & A time with the Presiding Bishop
- Stay overnight in the hotel
- Meals included

Open to High School students and Young Adults

Cost: $50

Deadline: Oct 15

More information and registration forms are available online at: www.edomi.org/yaya
Saturday, October 26, 2013
8:00 a. m. – the close of convention

We are pleased to offer childcare services to our clergy and delegates for children ages 5-12. Camp Convention will take place in a meeting room at the Detroit Marriott. We’ll have lots of games, projects and fun things to do—but your child can certainly bring their favorites. Younger children will also need a change of clothing and a blanket or sleeping bag for rest time. The group will plan to visit the convention floor during the day—so look for them! Please plan to have your child join you for lunch as childcare will close 12:15 – 1:45 p.m.

We can only accommodate children who have been pre-registered with this form (10 children maximum). No walk-ins accepted—so please make a reservation.

CHILDCARE REGISTRATION FORM (Please Print)

Parent name_____________________________________________________
Congregation_____________________________ City____________________
Email :_________________________  Cell Phone #_____________________

Name(s) of child (Use reverse if needed):
1. __________________________________________________  Age______
2. __________________________________________________  Age______
3. __________________________________________________  Age______

Pertinent information about the child (allergies, etc.) please use reverse if needed:
____________________________________________________________________

Cost:   ___$30.00 per child    or ___$50. 00 per family

Return this form with your check payable to "Diocese of Michigan" by October 11, 2013 to:
Diocesan Convention Reservations - Episcopal Diocese of Michigan
4800 Woodward Avenue - Detroit, MI 48201
Volunteers Needed

The 179th Convention of the Diocese of Michigan
October 25/26, 2013
The Detroit Marriott Hotel at the Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan

Your help is needed during Diocesan Convention!!!

**Hospitality/Greeters** - needed Friday and Saturday to greet delegates and serve as guides within the convention center.

**Tellers** — will work directly on the floor of the convention on Saturday to assist the Secretary of Convention in counting the “show of hand” votes and distributing information. We are looking for volunteers to work all day with a 1.5 hour break for lunch. (Minimum of 8 needed.)

**Vendor Set-up/Break-down** - needed Friday, 12:00 noon and Saturday, 2:00 pm. Volunteers will help set-up and takedown vendor displays and help with registration where needed.

**Yes, I would like to volunteer for Diocesan Convention, October 25/26 at the Detroit Marriott Hotel at the Renaissance Center, Detroit (400 Renaissance Drive)**

Name (please print) ___________________________________________________________
Address ____________________________________________________________________
City________________ Zip___________ Congregation________________ City__________
Daytime phone (____) ____________ Email________________________________________
Cell phone (____) __________________

I am available for:

**Hospitality/Greeter:**
Friday: ____ 1:00 pm - 6:15 pm
Saturday: ____ 6:45 am - 1:00 pm

**Teller:**
Saturday ____ 7:30 am - 5:00 pm POSITIONS FILLED

**Vendor Set-up/Breakdown:**
Friday: ____ 12:00 noon - 3:00 pm
Saturday: ____ 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Please return this form to the Volunteer Coordinator, Julie Travis via FAX 313-831-0259 or mail to EDOMI, 4800 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48201.
You may also email your response to Julie Travis at pcjuli@yahoo.com or call her at (734) 233-7334

Please respond by Friday, October 11th. Thank you!
The Diocese of Michigan strives to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) for diocesan sponsored events. If you will need special assistance during diocesan convention, we will try to accommodate you in every reasonable manner. Please respond as indicated below no later than October 11, 2013 to inform us of your particular needs and to determine what accommodation can be made.

How May We Help You?

Remember to visit the Disability Awareness Committee website at www.da-edomi.org and our booth in the convention exhibit area.

I would appreciate the following accommodations:

______________________________________________________________________________
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_____ Please contact me regarding the rental of a Scooter for use during Convention on Friday and Saturday.

Name ___________________________________________________________________
Address ___________________________________________________________________
City/State/Zip ___________________________________________________________________
Congregation ___________________ City __________________
Name ___________________________________________________________________
Daytime Phone: ____________________

Please return this form by October 11 to:
Diocesan Convention Reservations, 4800 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48201-1399;
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The Rt. Rev. Wendell N. Gibbs, Jr., Tenth Bishop