



TOGETHER IN A JESUS SHAPED LIFE

116th Session of the Synod of the Diocese of Rupert's Land
October 11,12, and 13, 2018

Dear Lay and Clergy Delegates to Synod:

With the Bishop Co-Adjutor Election completed, our sights now return to the planning of the 116th Session of the Synod of the Diocese of Rupert's Land. Please mark your calendars with the following information:

Opening Service: Thursday, October 11, 2018
St. John's Cathedral, 135 Anderson Avenue

Subsequent Sitzings: Friday, October 12 and Saturday, October 13, 2018
Douglas Mennonite Church, 1517 Rothesay Avenue
Please consult the agenda when it becomes available for start times on these days.

**Consecration of
New Bishop Co-Adjutor –** 7 p.m. on Friday, October 12, 2018
St. John's Cathedral, 135 Anderson Avenue
Reception to follow service at
Holy Trinity Ukranian Orthodox Cathedral
1175 Main Street

Members of the Synod Agenda Committee under the leadership of The Very Rev. Paul Johnson have been meeting for many months. This year's theme, *"Together in a Jesus Shaped Life"*, is an extension of the theme of the Anglican Communion, the province of Rupert's Land and the recent Provincial Synod.

Within the context of the agenda we will worship together and spend time reflecting on scripture. In addition, reports will be shared, presentations will be made, resolutions debated and elections held. This year we will have the exciting opportunity to celebrate the consecration of our new Bishop Co-Adjutor, The Ven. Geoffrey Woodcroft, on Friday evening. More details will follow.

To assist you with some practical preparations for Synod, please find the following attachments in your email or enclosed in this mailing;

- Guidelines for Resolutions
- Forms for submitting resolutions for consideration by the Synod. **Consider submitting resolutions that you or your parish believe to be important for Synod to consider.**

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- A letter from Chair of Nominations Committee with a slate of positions for which elections will be held.
- A form for making nominations. Consider standing for election to one of the various committees or nominating a person(s) from the list of Synod Delegates.
- List of Parish lay and eligible clergy delegates to Synod.
- A form to offer/request a billet. This is especially important as we welcome more delegates from outside of Winnipeg.

Please submit completed billet forms, along with any notices of motions, to the Synod Office by August 24, 2018. In early September, the full Convening Circular will be sent to each delegate. The circular will contain reports of work within the Diocese, biographical information of nominees, and resolutions that have been submitted.

You are encouraged to meet as a parish delegation, prior to Synod, to discuss matters of particular importance to your parish, which may be brought before the Synod. As well, consider persons to be nominated for the elected positions. Well-prepared participants make for informed decision-making.

In an effort to be good stewards of our resources, we will be sending the Convening Circular to all delegates via email. If you require a printed copy, please advise the Synod office. Additionally, the Convening Circular will be posted on the Diocesan website, www.rupertsland.ca, as a downloadable PDF. Please advise Judy McIvor at Anglican Centre if you require assistance in accessing any of this information (204-992-4200, toll free 1-866-693-4418 or general@rupertsland.ca).

Let us continue to pray for one another as we prepare ourselves to gather as a Synod.

Yours in faith,



Bob Wedlake
Secretary of Synod