



The Discernment & Nominating Committee
for the Ninth Bishop of the
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER
Home of the Finger Lakes Region

May 1, 2023

Dear Clergy and Wardens,

The Discernment and Nominating Committee is beginning its work as charged by the Standing Committee to conduct the search for a slate of candidates to become our next bishop. Throughout this process, communication will be one of the most important aspects of our work. We will have important updates and information to share with you. We will also need information from across the diocese communicated to us.

As the leaders of each local congregation, you are a vital link in our communication pathway. We need you to make sure that every communication sent by our committee is fully disseminated to your congregation through the existing electronic and print media that you already use. Specifically, we hope that all of our letters, surveys, and updates will be included in your parish newsletter, announcements, emails, and other communications.

Our goal is that every person in this diocese should feel heard, included, valued, and informed to the greatest degree possible. We are grateful for your partnership in making this happen.

Faithfully,

The Rev. Julie Cicora, Chair

Ms. Margy Ashley

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The Rev. David Hefling

Ms. Carolyn Mok, MD

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