

## Standing Committee

Serves as the Bishop's Council of Advice. Performs duties as specified by the General and Diocesan Convention, and the Constitution and Canons of the Episcopal Church and the Diocese of Hawai'i. Serves as the Ecclesiastical authority when there is no Bishop. **Vote for:** one (1) clergy (four-year term) and one (1) lay (four-year term).

### *Standing Committee – Clergy At-Large Nominee*

**Nominee:** Alison Dingley  
**Church:** Diocese of Hawai'i  
**Occupation:** Retired priest



#### **Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:**

1. Recent supply ministry with Calvary and other congregations
2. Bishop's Search Committee, Diocese of Hawaii, 1995-6
3. Standing Committee President, Diocese of Eastern Oregon, 2010-14

**What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai'i for which you have been nominated)?** I've served in dioceses during 5 bishop transitions, including 3 in this diocese. In addition to the search committee here, I served with a Provisional Bishop in Eastern Oregon. Calling her gave the Diocese space and time to explore various models of what the ministry of a bishop might look like.

**What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai'i in the next five years?** Building on Bp. Curry's vision of being the Episcopal branch of the Jesus movement, the next five years offer us an opportunity to embrace our mission to share the love we know in Christ with people in our respective communities with authenticity, justice and compassion.

**What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai'i right now?** The 2015 strategic planning process and this past year's listening process found a yearning for community throughout the Diocese. There are congregations and groups that are thriving communities, but there is a need for us to grow in our knowledge of and care for each other throughout the diocese.

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### *Standing Committee – Clergy At-Large Nominee*

**Nominee:** Keleawe Hee  
**Church:** Good Samaritan, Honolulu, O'ahu  
**Occupation:** Vicar



#### **Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:**

1. Native Hawaiian Ministry committee member and active participant, speaking at ChurchBiz 2023

2. Episcopal Asiamerica Ministry co-convener of the Japanese Convocation, national position
3. Former COM secretary for 4 years, currently ending 2-year term on Cathedral Chapter in Sept 2023

**What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai‘i for which you have been nominated)?** As a vicar in a neighborhood church I care for the people of Palolo Valley. Broadening my participation at the Diocesan level is important. I served a 4-year term on the Commission on Ministry as well as a 2-year term on the Cathedral Chapter and I look forward to serving on the Standing Committee.

**What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai‘i in the next five years?** Leading us into the next five years with stability as well as enthusiasm will be important to the Diocese. Recovering from the pandemic over the last few years has changed how people attend church. Church can and will evolve into new ways to better serve the faithful people of the Diocese of Hawaii.

**What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai‘i right now?** Having churches and members thriving is a priority in our Diocese. Having excitement when talking about services and active participation will be possible. Churches doing things together with joint activities will bring community and priests working together in neighborhoods in mutual camaraderie.

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*Standing Committee – Clergy At-Large Nominee*

**Nominee:** Giovan King  
**Church:** St. Christopher, Kailua, O‘ahu  
**Occupation:** Rector



**Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:**

1. Standing Committee (currently filling a vacancy that opened in October 2022)
2. Chair, Commission on Ministry
3. At-Large Clergy Member, Diocesan Council

**What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai‘i for which you have been nominated)?** It has been my honor to serve on Standing Committee, filling a vacancy in 2022. I have worked with disciplinary issues & the Bishop asked me to head a sub-committee to clarify how complainants come forward and how best to respect their dignity. I would like the chance to complete that ministry.

**What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai‘i in the next five years?** We will soon search for our next Bishop, an important pivot point. It provides an opportunity for us to pray & think about how we we could best be lead in

the future. That truly shapes our ministry. After speaking with the nominations chair, I believe I'm able and eager to help in this ministry.

**What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai'i right now?**

We must continue to cultivate a passion for the Gospel, the Good News of Jesus Christ, and nurture that passion in others. And while working to make this happen, we also need to relax and let God take the lead.

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**Standing Committee – Lay At-Large Nominee**

**Nominee:** Chuck Spence  
**Church:** Trinity BTS, Kihei, Maui  
**Occupation:** Retired



**Church, Community and/or personal ministries, activities and/or positions:**

- 1. Bishop's Warden of Trinity BTS for 7 years. Member of Bishop's Committee/Vestry for 10 years
- 2. Standing Committee President for 1 year. Standing Committee Member for all 4 years
- 3. A Cup of Cold Water Board Member for 8 years

**What are the dreams, experiences and/or skills in your life that lead you to be open to the call to serve in this ministry (the position in the Diocese of Hawai'i for which you have been nominated)?** During my tenure as President of Standing Committee in 2018/2019, I was asked to lead the Standing Committee in reviewing, updating and ultimately passage of the Canons and Constitution of the Diocese. The revisions were all successfully passed as proposed by Standing Committee.

**What is the single greatest opportunity for mission that you see open to the Diocese of Hawai'i in the next five years?** The selection of the next Bishop for the Diocese of Hawai'i and a successful transition will be vital to its future growth and success. We have a great opportunity to form the foundation and direction of the future of the Episcopal Church in Hawai'i.

**What is your single greatest concern for the health of the Diocese of Hawai'i right now?** In the past, our greatest concern was attrition of church members. I still believe this is a great concern. However, having a member church wiped off the map within a matter of hours demonstrates that climate change is an equal concern. How many other member churches are endangered by flood or fire?

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