



# 228TH CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

## Convention Workshops, March 15, 2019



On Friday, March 15, in conjunction with our 228th convention, the Diocese will offer a series of workshops focused on "Loving Our Neighbors." Each workshop will be offered twice, from 1 - 2:15 p.m. and again from 2:45 - 4 p.m. in the Ministry Center at Saint James Church on James Island. Seating for the workshops, which are open to all, is limited. Register at [www.dioceseofsc.org](http://www.dioceseofsc.org).

### Meet Your Neighbors: Culture & Contextualizing for Mission & Church Planting

**Presenter: The Rev. Canon Dr. Dan Alger**



Who is your neighbor? Where is your neighbor? What is your neighbor up to? How can you and your church reach your neighbor for Christ? In this workshop we'll discuss the skills needed to learn and take meaning from your local culture and how to contextual-

ize your church's work of mission and church planting to reach the people where they are. We will dive deep into the physical, relational, spiritual, and ideological aspects of your culture. Then we'll discuss a framework

for developing a strategy to reach them that allows for both integrity to the Anglican tradition and effectiveness in mission.

*The Rev. Canon Dr. Dan Alger is the Canon for Church Planting for the Anglican Church in North America. He has been active in the work of Anglican church planting as a planter, coach, overseer, and friend for over 18 years. He is the co-host of the Always Forward Podcast and author of numerous articles. His doctoral work was on organizing Anglican dioceses for the work of church planting. He is married to Karen and they have two boys: Eli and Silas.*

### Representational Confession: A Tool for Healing Wounded Communities

**Presenter: The Rev. Dr. Russ Parker**

Threaded throughout scripture are examples of people of faith taking ownership, without accusation, of the wounds of their communities and confessing them before God. The result has often been astounding moments when God has restored such broken communities so they flourish under God's grace once again. These people had discovered a tool for breaking through the gridlock that bound their communities. This tool is called Representational Confession and we will be exploring its dynamics and how to put them into practice for our churches, families and communities.



*The Rev. Dr. Russ Parker, an ordained priest in the Church of England, is the Director of 2Restore: Healing Church Wounds which offers a range of resources in order to help churches resolve and heal their legacies of unhealed stories and their issues and move forward in a renewed ability to flourish as God intends. Russ is a founding member of the Fellowship of Christ the Healer (UK and USA) which exists to resource leaders of residential healing and*

*healthcare initiatives. Russ is married to Roz and lives near Farnham, Surrey.*

### Neighboring: Love Where You Live

**Presenter: Dave Runyon**

In this workshop we will dig deeper into the *Art of Neighboring* and discuss best practices and obstacles to connecting with our literal neighbors. We will cover questions such as: How do you find time to do this? What if my neighbors are sketchy? Do my motives matter? What about us introverts? How do I talk about Jesus without seeming weird? And much more!



*Dave serves as the Executive Director of CityUnite and as a consultant for businesses who have a desire to make a positive impact in their communities. Dave helped to start a neighboring movement in 2010 that has now spread to over 3,000 churches around the country. This experience prompted him to co-author The Art of Neighboring. He speaks locally and nationally encouraging leaders to collaborate for the good of their cities. Before founding CityUnite, Dave served as a pastor for 10 years. He graduated from Colorado State University. Dave and his wife, Lauren, have four children.*

### Mission INSITE Part 2; Won't You be My Neighbor?

**Presenters: the Revs. Gary Beson and Tyler Prescott**

As church communities, we are typically eager to love our neighbors but often unsure how to begin! Join us for a conversation to consider how "old" churches can engage

"new" neighbors. Facilitated by the Revs. Gary Beson and Tyler Prescott, the leadership from St. John's, Florence and St. John, John's Island will share how they are using MissionInsite and personal relationships to be good neighbors in their communities. Opportunities for reaching new and growing demographics will be discussed. Ample time for some practical Q and A will be provided.



*The Rev. Gary Beson is the Vicar of St. Timothy's, Cane Bay and is the go-to person for church planting resources in our Diocese. Gary is married to Sue, and they have three grown children, and a new grandchild on the way.*



*The Rev. Tyler Prescott has served as Associate Rector at St. Paul's, Summerville for eight years. Prior to receiving his MDiv from Trinity School for Ministry, he worked in Charleston as a structural engineer for six years. Tyler and his wife, Lanier, have seven children ages fourteen to eighteen months. In his free time, Tyler likes to....who are we kidding, Tyler doesn't have any free time!*

Leading missionally-- with heart and hands

**Presenter: The Rev. Canon Phil Ashey**

The Psalmist writes "And David shepherded them with integrity of heart; with skillful hands he led them." (Ps. 78:72 NIV). Integrity of heart and skillful hands are two of the Biblical principles of leadership around which the American Anglican Council has been developing faithful leaders since 1996. We believe these Biblical principles and others are essential for all leaders at every level of the Church. In this workshop, the Rev. Canon Phil Ashey will



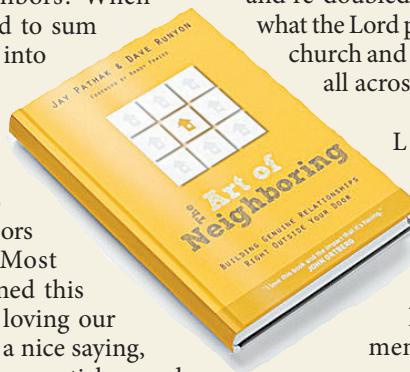
# The Art of Neighboring

## A Pre-Convention Mini Conference with Dave Runyon, March 15

10:30 a.m. - noon, Saint James Church

**W**hat if Jesus meant we should love our *actual* neighbors? When Jesus was asked to sum up everything into one command, he said to love God with everything we have and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Most of us have turned this simple idea of loving our neighbors into a nice saying, putting it on bumper stickers and refrigerator magnets and going on with our lives without actually putting it into practice. What would happen if every follower of Jesus took the Great Commandment literally?

Join us Friday, March 15 from 10:30 a.m. - noon at St. James Church on James Island to hear Pastor Dave Runyon share his own testimony of



how that idea of neighboring impacted his own walk with the Lord, and re-doubled his efforts to share what the Lord put on his heart with church and community leaders all across the country.

Let's collectively have our hearts refreshed in the gospel and in Jesus' commandment, trusting him to start a movement that will change our own lives, our neighborhoods and our diocese.

Read about Dave Runyon on page one.

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share from the AAC's experience in developing faithful leaders these principles of leadership, beginning with the heart (vision and integrity), the challenge of moving our church culture from maintenance to mission, and the leadership skills ("hands") necessary to navigate such change for the sake of Christ's Great Commission. Phil will share from the AAC's experience what they have learned that will help you to integrate both heart and hands into your leadership—especially in this missional moment!

*The Rev. Canon Phil Ashey is President and CEO of the American Anglican Council, and*

*serves in a number of Provincial leadership positions within the Anglican Church in North America. Prior to leading the AAC, Phil served for over 20 years as a church planter, Rector and Associate in a variety of congregations, of different sizes, in California, Virginia and Pittsburgh. He is the author of Anglican Conciliarism: The Church Meeting to Decide Together, and serves as an advisor to the Gafcon Primates Council and leads the Gafcon Lawyers Network. Phil is married to Julie, and they have four children—Carol, Jake, Kirsten and Meghann.*