



ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA EPISCOPAL VISITATION CUSTOMARY 2024

1. DEADLINE: COMPLETE AND RETURN THE VISITATION QUESTIONNAIRE **4-6 WEEKS IN ADVANCE** OF THE VISITATION. THIS ENABLES THE BISHOP TO PROPERLY PLAN AND PREPARE.
2. OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS: IF THE VISIT REQUIRES OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS, THE PARISH IS ASKED TO MAKE THOSE ARRANGEMENTS ON THE BISHOP'S BEHALF.
3. PROTOCOL: APPROPRIATE LITURGICAL COLORS FOR THE OCCASION ARE EITHER THE COLOR OF THE SEASON (ESPECIALLY DURING LENT, ADVENT, EASTER) OR **RED FOR CONFIRMATION**. PLEASE INDICATE YOUR CHOICE AND ANY VESTMENT PREFERENCE ON THE QUESTIONNAIRE. IF THE BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN IS NOT PRESENT AND IF A DEACON IS IN ATTENDANCE, THAT DEACON SHOULD ASSIST AS THE BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN. IN THE ABSENCE OF A DEACON, ANOTHER PERSON MAY BE ASSIGNED FOR THIS ROLE (WHERE NEEDED THE BISHOP WILL INSTRUCT THIS PERSON ON HIS OR HER ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES).
4. BISHOP'S DISCRETIONARY FUND: THE OPEN PLATE OFFERING (OR SOME ALTERNATIVE AMOUNT PREVIOUSLY DETERMINED BY THE VESTRY) IS CUSTOMARILY DESIGNATED FOR THE BISHOP'S DISCRETIONARY FUND. THOSE FUNDS SHOULD BE CONVEYED AFTER THE VISITATION AND AT THE CONVENIENCE OF THE PARISH TREASURER.
5. COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM: PLEASE INDICATE THE TIME AND CHOICE OF EUCHARISTIC SERVICE (I.E. ANGLICAN STANDARD TEXT OR RENEWED ANCIENT TEXT) ON THE QUESTIONNAIRE.
6. **CONFIRMATION, NOT BAPTISM: A REMINDER TO CLERGY – IT IS THE BISHOP'S PREFERENCE FOR HIS ANNUAL VISITATION TO HAVE ONLY THE LITURGY FOR CONFIRMATION. – BAPTISMS CAN BE SCHEDULED AT THE CONVENIENCE OF THE PARISH CLERGY ON AN ALTERNATE DATE THAT WILL NOT REQUIRE THE BISHOP TO BE PRESENT.**
7. OTHER QUESTIONS: ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE BISHOP'S SCHEDULE AND THE CUSTOMARIES OF AN EPISCOPAL VISIT SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE REVD JOYCE HARDER AT THE DIOCESAN HOUSE (843-722-4075) or jharder@adosc.org.

VISITATION QUESTIONNAIRE

(Please return to the Bishop's Office **4-6 weeks in advance**)

General Information (PLEASE TYPE YOUR ANSWERS.)

Church Name: _____ Priest's Name _____

Priest's cell number _____ Date of Visitation: _____

Sunday Information

Bishop's Chaplain: By Bishop Edgar's appointment, Deacon Doug Ringer will serve as his Chaplain.

Time of Service:

Principal Service: Time _____ Anglican Standard Text Renewed Ancient Text

Approximate number for:

_____ Confirmation _____ Reaffirmation _____ Reception

Vestments Desired: Rochet & Chimere Cope & Mitre

Color: **(Red if Confirmation)**; otherwise, color of season) _____

Propers - ACNA:

Old Testament _____ Psalm _____

Epistle _____ Gospel _____

A change of the Propers of the Day requires permission from the Bishop!!!

****NEW**** Seasonal Greeting – Just prior to the call and response on p. 175 of the 2019 BCP, please begin with the appropriate seasonal greeting (pp. 105; 123; 145; 146).

Other events:

Yes, I would like for the Bishop to speak to our Confirmands Time: _____

Yes, I would like for the Bishop to speak to our Adult Sunday School

Time: _____ Topic: _____

Name of person who will serve as photographer. _____

Using a smart phone is fine. Please send pictures **by the Monday after** for diocesan-wide publication

to Madison Kuzia at madisonk@adosc.org

Type of Reception: No reception Coffee only Light fare Lunch

Additional notes for the Bishop: _____
