

Year in Review 2022



Introduction

Growing Up and Settling In

Greetings in the name of Jesus!

I am writing to you as my kids play in the next room. James, one, is chaos incarnate. Every toy we own litters the ground in his wake. We find tupperware behind the couch, books in the bathtub. He's thrown more than one pair of shoes in the trash can...

Lydia, three-and-a-half, treats the playroom like a museum. She sits quietly to color pictures and arranges her stuffed animals in a perfect circle for tea parties. She likes her building blocks to be symmetrical. The differences from her brother are striking.

Some of that has to do with personality, but much of it has to do with age. Lydia was a wild one-year-old, too. As she's grown, she's settled in. She's discovered patterns. She's learned the rhythms and structures of our family.

Watching my kids play, I can't help but notice parallels to the Diocese of Christ Our Hope.

This Year in Review chronicles an organization growing up and settling in. In 2022 we continued to standardize and codify. We developed procedures and processes, we built out systems, and we created new programs in an effort to define the rhythms and structures of our (diocesan) family.

In the following pages you'll find new outlets for leadership development. You'll see new churches being planted and more men and women pursuing a call to ministry. You'll see a diocese growing through baptisms and confirmations, and by God's blessing, more funds devoted to mission expansion.

As you read, I hope you are encouraged. Join us in praising God for his faithfulness to us in 2022 and waiting expectantly for what he will do in 2023.

I pray you enjoy a blessed Christmas and New Year.

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Departures

Faithful Servants Moving On



THE REV. CANON ART GOING

From the beginning, it has always been about relationships. Nine years ago, Bishop Steve called to invite me and Nancy to move to NC and to learn how to lead from the second chair. Truth be told, I think I have found my sweet spot in this servant role. To be an encourager, to exercise spiritual discernment with mostly young newcomers to Anglicanism and to pastoral ministry, and to join with a vibrant and gifted team in continuing to learn ever more clearly who Jesus is and to become more like him. That has been the job. That has been the joy.

THE REV. CANON DCN. TERESA KINCAID

I have an abundance of incredible memories, however, my most cherished memory of working for the Diocese is the opportunity to lead the NE Region Prayer Tour in 2017. A group of four laity and myself visited four churches in the NE Region. We spent time praying with clergy and congregations, shared meals, and worshiped together. Before a Sunday service we attended, we were asked to pray over each chair and for whoever may sit there and place that person in the hands of God. The Holy Spirit's presence was truly overwhelming!



What We Do

Key Areas of Ministry

Mission Expansion

Spreading the gospel through church planting and ministry partnerships



Leadership Development

Forming Christ-like leaders with a missional focus and Anglican Identity



Strategic Initiatives

Cultivating thriving communities that bear witness to the in-breaking Kingdom of God



Spiritual Health

Catalyzing ministry and mission growth in all Christ Our Hope churches



Church Planting

Outposts of the Kingdom

Participating in the mission of Christ and planting healthy, multiplying churches is at the heart of the Diocese. We planted four new churches in 2022 and have eight other interest groups and missions in various stages of development, including five Every Tribe and Nation missions. Join us in praising God for the work of these planters and asking for his blessing as they minister to their communities.



01 Church of the Resurrection

Charlottesville, VA
The Rev. Dcn. Claude Atcho



02 Restoration Anglican Church

Charlotte, NC
The Rev. Dcn. Denis Ochieng



03 Mission Hope

Summersville, WV
The Rev. Nate Dickinson



04 Restoration Anglican Church

Staunton, VA
The Rev. Keith Breault



Mission Hope WV

Church Planting in the Mountain State

The Lord has been at work in West Virginia for some time, calling Rev. Jim Sallie to plant Redeemer Anglican in Parkersburg in 2012. Rev. Derek Roberts followed in 2017 with Hope Church in Charleston. Finally Christ the King in Beckley was planted in 2018. Since then, God has raised up believers seeking an Anglican presence in other cities and towns across the state.

In January 2022 Bp. Steve appointed Rev. Dr. Ben Sharpe as Canon Missioner to raise up and disciple new pastors and start new missions with the goal of bringing the gospel to bear in West Virginia by filling it with healthy, gospel-centered Anglican churches.

As of 2022 the Diocese has three churches and two missions and has partnered with other ACNA dioceses to start two other missions.



**THE REV. DR.
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Canon Missioner for
West Virginia and
Appalachia



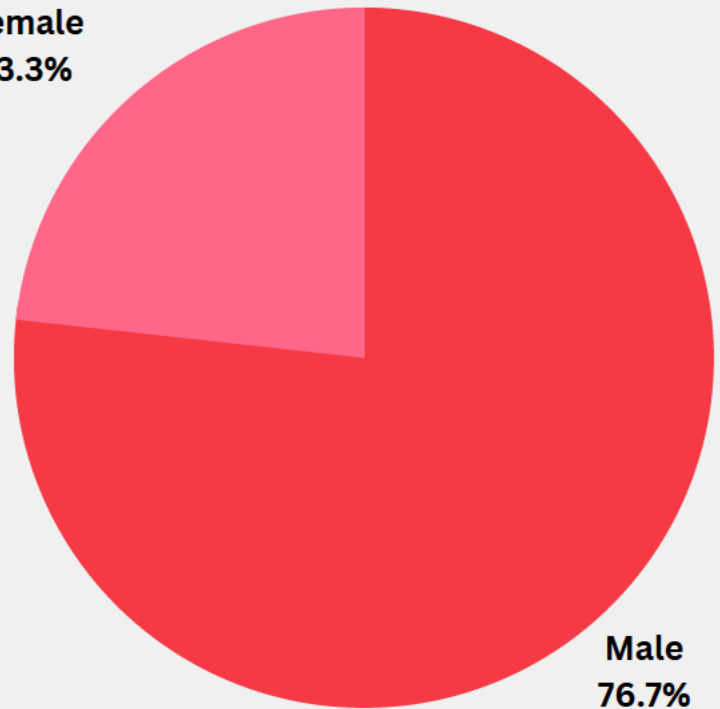
Leadership Development

Forming Christ-Like Anglican Leaders

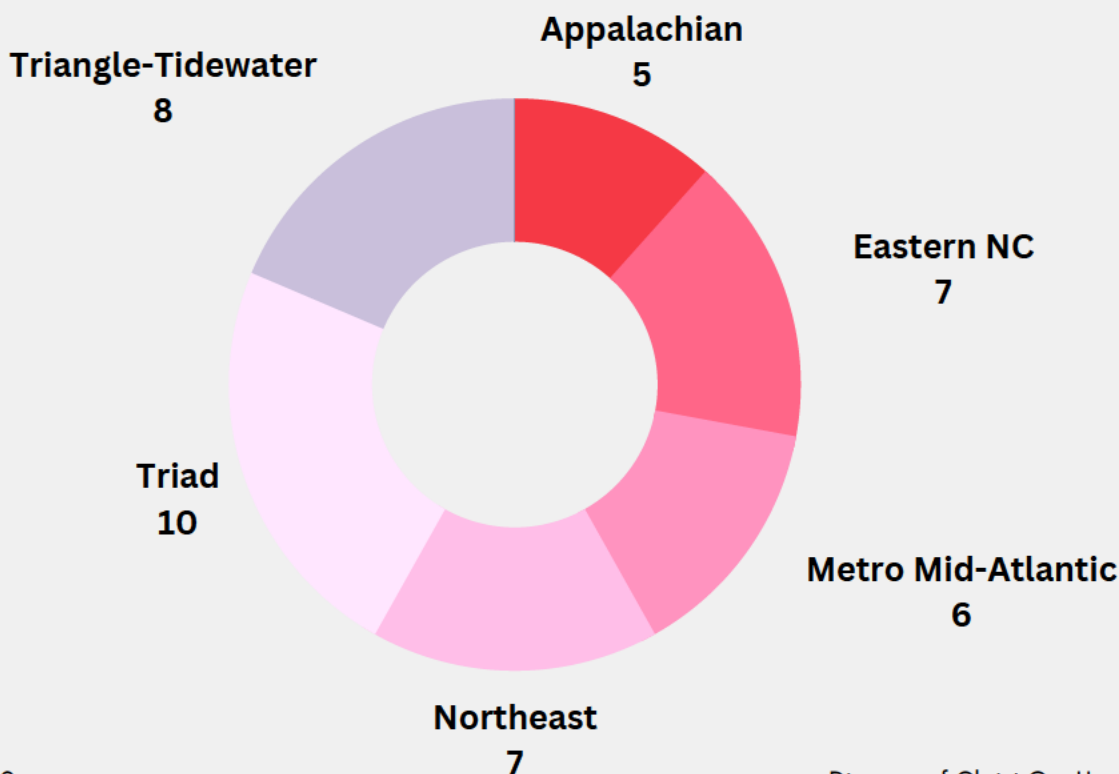
The number of people pursuing ordination in the Diocese continues to increase. In 2022 we added **19** new ordinands to the process. We currently have **43** ordinands in the process—**10 women** and **33 men**—representing six of our seven deaneries.

Ordinands by Gender

Female
23.3%



Male
76.7%

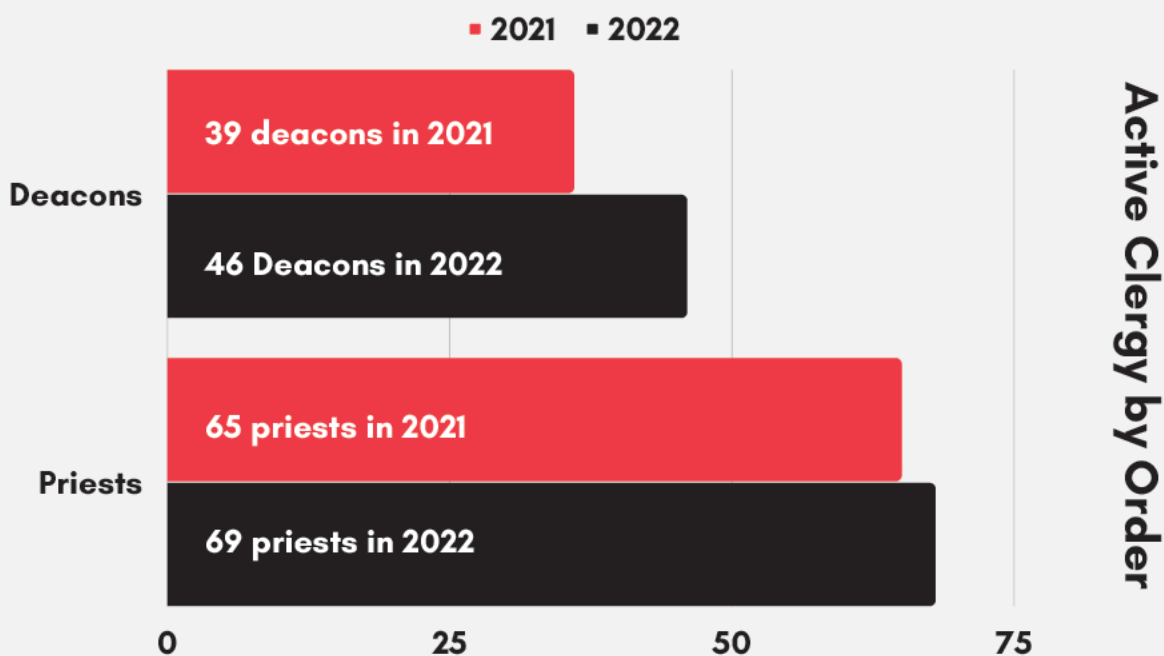


Ordinands by Deanery

Leadership Development

Equipping Clergy for Faithful Ministry

The Diocese continues to develop and ordain deacons and priests. In 2022, **28 new clergy** were ordained, **6 women** and **22 men**. Accounting for transfers, retirements, and other ministry transitions: the number of **active clergy** has increased by **10%** from 107 to **118**. The number of deacons increased by **18%** to **46**, while the number of priests increased by **6.2%** to **69**. The overall number of resident clergy is **148**.



Anglican Studies

Robust Anglican Formation

In 2022 the Diocese identified the need for more robust Anglican formation to better prepare thoughtful leaders for mission and ministry. To meet that need, DCOH has developed its own Anglican Studies certificate taught by clergy from around DCOH through a mixture of online coursework and in-person residential weekends. The program is required for ordinands, but also open to clergy and laity.

4
Courses

12
Credits

\$1.2k
Tuition

Course	Faculty	Semester
Anglican History	Rev. Steven E. Breedlove	Winter (January-March 2023)
Sacramental Theology	Rev. Canon Dr. Ben Sharpe	Spring (April-June 2023)
Anglican Spiritual Tradition and Pastoral Theology	Rev. Canon Art Going	Summer (July-September 2023)
Anglican Theology and Ethics	Rev. Canon Dr. Jeff Bailey	Fall (October-December 2023)



Baptisms and Confirmations

A Growing Family

God continues to grow his church through the work and ministry of Diocese of Christ Our Hope churches and missions. In addition to the confirmations below, another **23** people were received and/or reaffirmed.



182
Baptisms



153
Confirmations

Spiritual Direction

Prayerful Attention to God at Work

In March 2022, the Diocese began its work with Selah, the spiritual direction training program of Leadership Transformation, Inc. Our diocese is hosting Selah-Anglican with the prayer that it will help serve the Anglican Church in North America by training spiritual directors across the province. This first 2022-2024 cohort is serving **16 interns** and has **5 faculty/supervisors**. Altogether **7 different dioceses** are participating in Selah Anglican.

Training Directors

Leaders in
Spiritual
Direction
Training
(2022)

16

Offering Direction

Spiritual
Directors
Available
(2022)

10

A second cohort will begin in 2023. We are expecting **1 new faculty/supervisor** and **12-14 new interns**. Spiritual direction training is open to clergy and lay people alike.

Protecting Our Kids

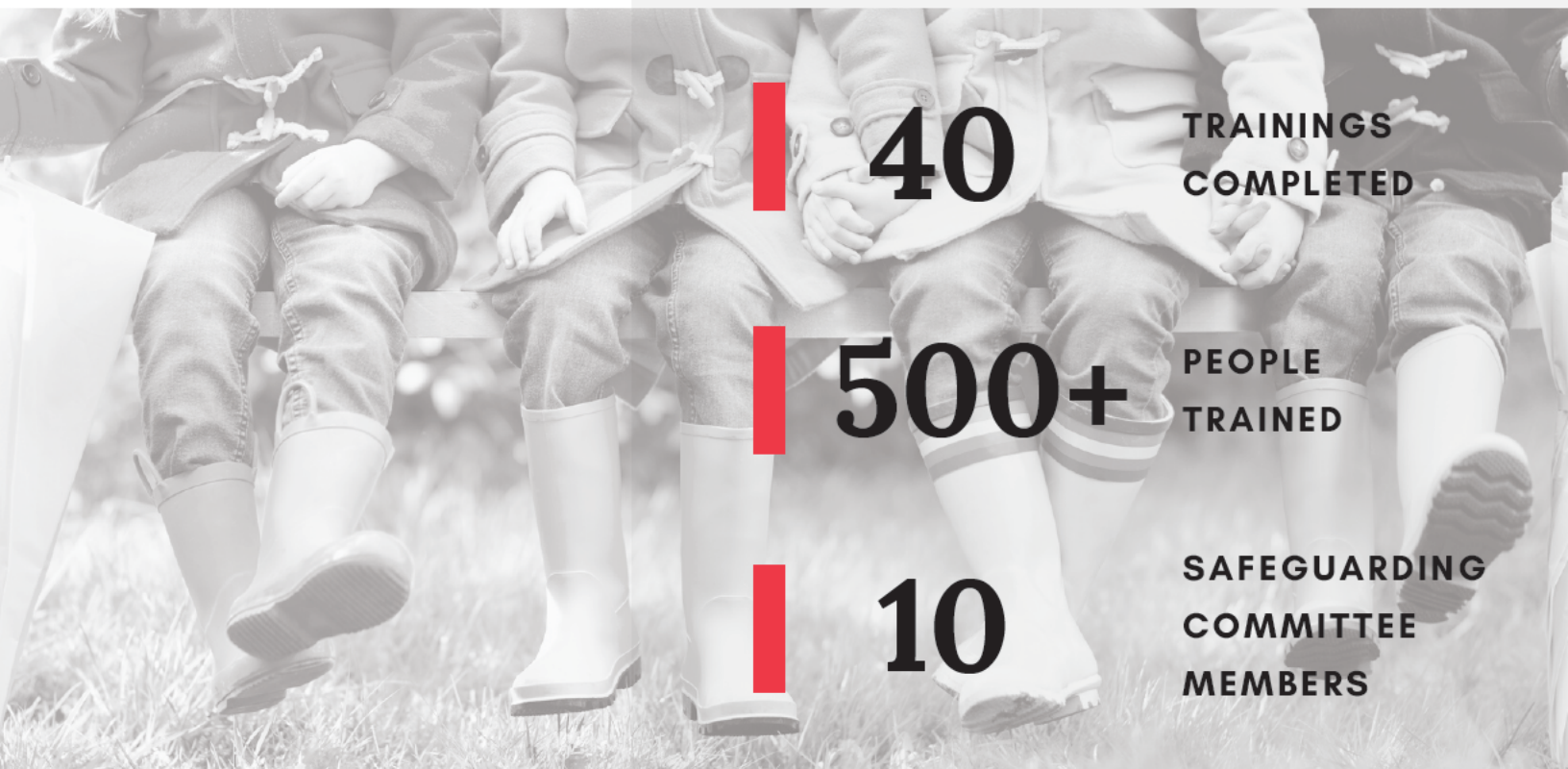
To Such Belongs the Kingdom of God



**THE REV. DCN.
MEG GRETO**

Canon for Ethics
and Safeguarding

In 2022, the Diocese deployed the **Child Protection Policy and Manual**, as well as implemented a full-scale, synchronous training program for the Policy. The Canon for Ethics and Safeguarding, along with the Safeguarding Committee representatives from each Deanery, has trained over 500 people throughout DCOH. The Safeguarding Committee has grown to 10 members and is actively collaborating on the next steps of an asynchronous training program to continue to build safe churches for children and vulnerable members across DCOH.



40

TRAININGS
COMPLETED

500+

PEOPLE
TRAINED

10

SAFEGUARDING
COMMITTEE
MEMBERS

Budget & Finances

Devoted to Mission Expansion



Every year, the Diocese sets aside 50% of its income—tithes and offerings from DCOH churches—to mission expansion and church planting. In 2022, we invested over **\$712k** to support **8** new church efforts, **10** church growth initiatives and **3** diocesan wide projects. This is **\$96,000** more than 2021, a **15%** increase year over year. To continue this support for mission expansion and also operationally support the clergy and churches in our diocese, we established an **Anchor Fund** that will raise **\$150k** in 2022 and **\$300k** in 2023. There is still time to give before the year is out!

We are thankful the many ways God has provided for us in 2022 and are thankful for the generosity of our churches and their members.

