

# Worship at the 78th General Convention

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Worship at the General Convention in 2015 will seem quite familiar, but with some very new twists. Worship has always been designed to gather and ground those who are present, along with others participating through the internet. Each Convention we encounter each other in preaching, prayer, scripture and sacrament.

For the first time worship at General Convention will connect with worshippers interactively. Everyone -- near and far -- will be able to join devotionals led by the Society of St. John the Evangelist (SSJE), and contribute to the General Convention's prayers of the people.

## **Prayers of the People Social Media Campaign**

Episcopalians from around the world will help craft the General Convention's prayers of the people. Each day's prayers will follow one of nine themes, seven of which are the forms of prayer identified in the Book of Common Prayer: life, thanksgiving, praise, intercession, adoration, oblation, penitence, petition, and celebration. Prayers can take the form of words or images, and will be received through Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. (The overall project will use #prayersof, and individual hashtags will be established for each day's theme.) A selection of the prayers received through social media will be prayed at the Salt Palace, and privately by prayer networks across the Episcopal Church.

## **Morning and Evening Meditations**

Another way to connect to the themes of daily worship will be through the morning and evening meditations SSJE is preparing. Perhaps as podcasts or "prayers to go," these web-based audio casts can frame your day as you connect with all those at General Convention. Each eight- to ten-minute recording will include a prayer, a brief reflection, and beautiful chant.

## **Find us Online!**

The General Convention's home base for interactive prayer is [www.prayersofthepeople.org](http://www.prayersofthepeople.org) . Here, you can find, prayers submitted through Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, along with links to each day's audio meditations for the morning and the evening. You may subscribe to receive E-mail reminders about our daily prayers and meditations. These devotions will be available on Thursday, June 25 via a link through the General Convention website ([www.generalconvention.org/worship](http://www.generalconvention.org/worship)), through the Prayers of the People website ([www.prayersofthepeople.org](http://www.prayersofthepeople.org)), or through the GC App which can be downloaded prior to our event.

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## **Eucharistic Ministers**

Worship and prayer are central to the life of faith, and to the life of the General Convention. Please join us for a daily celebration of the Holy Eucharist in the Salt Palace Convention Center. Everyone is invited to assist with the administration of Holy Communion; more than 100 Eucharistic Ministers are needed at each daily service and for the festival UTO Ingathering and Eucharist on Sunday, June 28.

The worship staff will be recruiting volunteer Lay and Clergy Eucharistic Ministers in the 45 minutes prior to worship services, so arriving early is a plus; volunteer Eucharistic Ministers will be assigned to a specific communion station. Eucharistic Ministers should plan to sit near their assigned communion stations and report there during the Peace for instructions from the Communion Station Host. Eucharistic Ministers do not vest and are asked not to wear any buttons, clothing, or objects that may distract communicants or could be interpreted as indicating a position on any matter before the General Convention.

For the festival UTO Ingathering and Eucharist on Sunday, June 28, there will be advance sign-ups for Lay and Clergy Eucharistic Ministers available in the Registration Area (in Exhibit Halls D & E) on the Wednesday or Thursday before. All Eucharistic Ministers must arrive on Sunday at least 45 minutes prior to the service or a replacement will be recruited.

## **Prayer Chapel**

A chapel is located at the Salt Palace Convention Center in Room 250C, and will be available daily for those who wish to take time for prayer and reflection. Oversight of the Prayer Chapel has been offered by The Episcopal Community.

## **Worship Schedule**

Worship will be held daily during the General Convention at 9:30 a.m., except for the UTO ingathering and Eucharist on June 28, which is at 10:00am, and the final day of Convention, on July 3rd, welcoming the PB Elect, when it will be at 8:30am.

## **Worship Bulletins**

The worship bulletins are available on the sidebar of this web page as downloadable pdf documents. Worship bulletins are also available as pdf files on the General Convention's Guidebook Directory App, and on the officially issued General Convention virtual binder iPads as pdf documents. Printed bulletins will not be provided at General Convention. If you prefer a print version you may wish to print them in advance to bring with you to Convention.

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