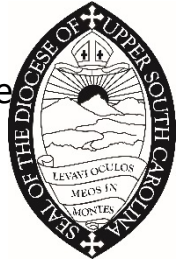


Preparing For Your Visitation

These questions are for you and your Bishop to make the best use of time together on your pre-visitation call and during the visitation.



Congregation:

Visitation Date:

Time of Worship:

Time of Reception:

Clergy with Start Date(s):

Other than meeting your congregation at the reception, do you envision me having separate time with your congregation or vestry?

Number of Baptisms:

Number of Confirmands:

Number of Receptions:

Number of Reaffirmations:

Date of the last mutual ministry review between Rector and Vestry, and who facilitated it:

(Please email responses to Frank Ballard at fballard@edusc.org, and CC Dana Lindsey at dlindsey@edusc.org, two weeks prior to your scheduled telephone conversation with Bishop Richards. Please return in Word format as this becomes a collaborative working document.)

1. How is your congregation living into the Kingdom of God?
 - a. The Church as a Community of Prayer, Worship and Dialogue.
 - b. Teaching, Formation and Vocation in the Church.
 - c. Witness, Common Mission and Service to the World.
 - d. Stewardship of People, Place and Money.

- e. How is your congregation understanding and sharing the Gospel with the larger community?

2. What new signs of Christian maturity are emerging?

3. Please describe how or if your congregation is involved in a ministry or partnership with a public school?

4. What other significant events, developments, and/or projects are taking place in the life of your congregation at this time? How are the events going?

5. How would you characterize your congregation's hopes and challenges?

6. Are there additional concerns I should be aware of?

7. If the Vestry would like to meet with me, what is the topic of interest?

8. Please note: All clergy need to have a copy of their Rule of Life attached to this questionnaire upon submission, to be discussed at the visitation.