CONGREGATION VISIT PLANNING FORM

*Please submit this form as soon as possible, as Bishop Alex prepares a month in advance.*

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| Date of Visitation:  | Click or tap to enter a date. |
| Parish Name: |       |
| Parish Address:  |       |
| Rector or Priest/Deacon-in-Charge:  |       |
| Contact Phone Number:  |       |
| Rector’s Family Members (whom the Bishop might meet): |       |
| Other clergy in the congregation: |       |

## SCHEDULE OF VISIT

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| Desired Arrival Date/Time:  |       |
| Time with Confirmands\*: |       |
| Service Time(s): |       |
| Time with Clergy/Clergy family: |       |
| Time with Congregation (outside of worship): |       |
| Time with Congregational Leaders: |       |
| Depart After:  |       |

\*The Bishop needs to have some time with the confirmands before the confirmation service. Please contact Christina if there will not be sufficient time before the Sunday service.

## FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

How will the Bishop interact informally with the congregation (e.g. coffee hour, reception, dinner)?

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## WORSHIP PLAN

*The Bishop will plan on preaching unless otherwise noted.*

### Liturgy:

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|[ ]  BCP 2019 |[ ]  Standard Text |[ ]  Renewed Ancient Text |

### Lessons:

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| Old Testament: | Psalm(s): | Epistle: | Gospel: |
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**Liturgical Color** (red is customary for confirmation):

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**Bishop Vesting:**

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|[ ]  Formal – Cope and Miter |[ ]  Informal – Rochet and Chimere |

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|[ ]  Yes |[ ]  No |

Will there be a children’s talk/sermon?

Things which would be helpful for the Bishop to emphasize in discussion or announcements:

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## TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES

 Would you like the Bishop to meet with/teach a class during his visit? If so, which one?

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|[ ]  Adult Class |[ ]  Teen Class |[ ]  Confirmation Class |[ ]  Children’s Class |[ ]  Other |
| Education Time: | Desired Topic: |
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## OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

How can the Bishop help your congregation reach out to your surrounding community (e.g. prayer walking, evangelistic or apologetic meeting)?

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## OTHER SPECIAL REQUESTS:

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## CONFIRMATIONS, RECEPTIONS, REAFFIRMATIONS

There will be (number):

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|       | Confirmations |       | Receptions |       | Reaffirmations |

 ***\*\* Please include a one-page testimony from each confirmand.***

Please complete the attached list, **including full names**, and submit with the Visitation Form.

The Bishop will bring the completed certificates on the day of the Service.

AWARDS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE RECTOR

*Award for Exemplary Service*One person per category

This award recognizes people who have consistently exemplified Christ-like service in the congregation or in the broader community in ways fitting their age and stage of life.

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| Child: |       |
| Teen (ages 13-19): |       |
| Adult (ages 20-up): |       |

*Award for Excellence in Scripture*One person per category

This award recognizes people who have so consistently “heard, read, marked, learned and inwardly digested” the Scriptures that their lives have been transformed by God’s Word.

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| Teen (ages 13-19): |       |
| Adult (ages 20-up): |       |

*St. Philip Award for Proclaiming the Good News*
One person per category

This award recognizes people whom God is using to declare the message of the Gospel. Their proclamation of the Gospel may take many forms. It is important, however, that it includes words.

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