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Brothers and Sisters of the Diocesan Community:

Many of you attended preconvention meetings and heard members of the Diocesan Mission Planning Commission present our three convention resolutions. We listened to your comments and slightly revised the diocesan Vision and Mission statements. We are excited about our vision for the Diocese: 'The Lay Persons, Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania are "A Community of Communities ... Committed to Christ.'

Attached you will find our full Report to Convention. Two years ago, you asked us to listen, reflect and provide solutions to a range of concerns about the mission of the diocese regarding our congregations. We have labored faithfully to describe what we would be like if we lived like a community of communities. In the attached report, we reflect on three of our seven priority areas: Reconciliation, Justice & Peace and Congregational Development. We describe actions and provide tools to further our mission. I pray that you will set aside an hour in the next week to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest this collaborative work, and see if the Spirit is speaking to you.

Many blessings,

John Sorensen, Chair

The Diocesan Mission Planning Commission

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