

2018 Bishop's Journal
The Right Reverend William H. Stokes, D.D.

This is not comprehensive and does not represent all of the Bishop's activities in 2018. It may also show meetings that were scheduled but the Bishop was unable to attend due to a conflict not listed. The Bishop's visitations are shown in Parochial Visitations.

Monday – Sabbath

Wednesday – Staff meeting; Oversight meeting

Friday – Study Day

January	2	Meeting with Bishops at the Diocese of New York offices
	3	Stewardship Commission meeting; St. Mary's Church, Haddon Heights - leadership meeting
	4	GTS sub-committee conference call
	5	Ordination to the Priesthood: Allen M. Wakabayashi and Diane C. Mumma-Wakabayashi - St. Luke's Church, Gladstone
	6	Funeral Service: Barbara Stokes - St. Luke's Church, Forest Hills, NY
	7	Holy Spirit Church, Tuckerton - vestry meeting
	9	Constable Grant video taping; St. John's Church, New Brunswick - vestry meeting
	10	Office appointments; St. Andrew's, Mount Holly - leadership meeting; Trinity Church, Swedesboro - vestry meeting
	11	Office appointments
	12	Convention planning meeting
	15	MLK Day of Service - Trinity Cathedral
	16	Deans meeting; Diocesan Council meeting; office appointments; Campus Ministry Foundation meeting
	17	Office appointments
	18	Trustees meeting; office appointments; Constable Grant Task Force meeting; DIT meeting; Standing Committee meeting
	19	Funeral Service: Suzanne Salmon - Trinity Church, Moorestown
	20	Deacons Day with the Bishop - Grace-St. Paul's Church, Mercerville
	21	Christ Church, Middletown - vestry meeting; Trinity Cathedral - Our Moral Revival
	22-24	Province II Bishops' Retreat, Greenwich, NY
	24	Good Shepherd Church, Rahway - vestry meeting
	25	Meeting with Archdeacons; office appointments; St. Mary's Church, Clementon/Good Shepherd Church, Berlin - joint vestry/steering committee meeting
	26-27	Project Resource Retreat - St. Peter's Rectory, Clarksboro
	27	Anti-Racism dinner - Moore home, Fanwood
	30	Office appointments, Grace Church, Haddonfield - vestry meeting
	31	Office appointments
February	1	Burlington Clericus meeting - Golden Dawn Diner, Burlington.
	2	Meetings with clergy re: Marks of Mission Commitment pledge; St. Matthew's Church, Pennington - meeting with leadership
	3	Board of Consultation meeting; St. Andrew's, Camden Banquet and Gala - Pennsauken Country Club
	7	Cuba Working Group Zoom meeting; Christ Church, South Amboy - joint town hall meeting with Trinity Church, Matawan
	8	Meetings with clergy re: Marks of Mission Commitment pledge; Holy Innocents' Church, Beach Haven - vestry meeting
	10	Acolyte Festival - Trinity Cathedral; DoCC meeting
	11	Absalom Jones Service of Witness - Trinity Cathedral

February	13	Meetings with clergy re: Marks of Mission Commitment pledge; St. Peter's Church, Medford - vestry meeting
	14	Ashes to Go - Trenton Transit Station; Trinity Cathedral - Ash Wednesday service
	15	Meetings with clergy re: Marks of Mission Commitment pledge; office appointments; Standing Committee meeting
	16	Meetings with clergy re: Marks of Mission Commitment pledge; St. John Baptist, Mendham - Academia Eduménica de Liderazgo
	18	St. Matthew's Church, Pennington - celebrate and preach at both services and conduct town hall meetings; Youth Council meeting
	20	Meetings with clergy re: Marks of Mission Commitment pledge; office appointments; Cathedral Chapter meeting
	21	Office appointments; Theo's Cafe at Procter House
	22	Meetings with clergy re: Marks of Mission Commitment pledge; office appointments; Calvary Church, Flemington - meeting with wardens
	23	Meetings with clergy re: Marks of Mission Commitment pledge
	24	Board of Consultation meeting
	26	Press Conference - NJ State House
	27	Convention preparation; Mission, Budget and Structure Task Force meeting
	28	Convention preparation; Evicted Lecture - Robertson Hall, Princeton; Resources and Revenues Task Force meeting
	March	1
2-3		Diocesan Convention - Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cherry Hill
6-10		House of Bishops meeting - Camp Allen, Texas
11		Memorial Service: Joan Cornell - Trinity Church, Cranford
13		Office appointments; staff Convention de-brief meeting; Cuba Working Group conference call; Holy Spirit Church, Tuckerton - vestry meeting
14		Day of Lamentation - Trinity Cathedral
15		Office appointments; St. Thomas' Church, Red Bank - vestry meeting
16		Dinner meeting with members of the Anti-Racism Commission
17		St. Stephen's Church, Mullica Hill - vestry retreat and meeting
23		Outside appointment; Overnight at VTS; Washington National Cathedral Vigil
24		March in Washington DC
27		Chrism Mass - Trinity Cathedral; office appointments
29		Maundy Thursday service - Trinity Cathedral
30		Good Friday Liturgy - Trinity Cathedral
31	The Great Vigil of Easter - Trinity Cathedral	
April	1	Easter services - Trinity Cathedral
	3	Office appointments
	4	Watchung Convocation Clergy and Lay Forums - St. Mark's Church, Basking Ridge
	5	Interims meeting; Atlantic Convocation Clergy and Lay Forums - Holy Trinity Church, Ocean City
	6	Outside appointments
	7	Resource and Revenue Task Force meeting; Mission, Structure, and Budget Task Force meeting
	10	Outside appointment; Trenton Convocation Clergy and Lay Forums - St. Matthew's Church, Pennington
	14	Holy Apostles' Church, Yardville - retreat and vestry meeting
	15	Recovery Sunday Celebration - Trinity Cathedral
	17	Deans meeting; Diocesan Council meeting; Cuba Working Group conference call; office appointments; Campus Ministry Foundation meeting
April	18	Office appointments; Holy Trinity Church, Ocean City - vestry meeting
	19	Trustees meeting; DIT meeting; office appointments; Standing Committee meeting

- 20 Offsite appointment; pastoral visit
- 21 NJCC Issues & Action 2018 - Opioids: The Next Step - Trinity Cathedral
St. Mark's Church, Plainfield - vestry retreat - Cross Roads Camp and Retreat Center
- 24 Newly retired and upcoming retiring clergy brunch; Monmouth Convocation Clergy and Lay Forums - Christ Church, Toms River
- 25 Office appointments
- 26 Office appointments; Northern Convocation Clergy and Lay Forums - St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy
- 27 Constable Grant taping session
- 28 Ordination to the Diaconate: Karen B. Lewis - St. Luke's Church, Gladstone
- 29 Procter House - ECP meeting
- 30 Meetings at Holy Family Church, Laurel Springs and St. Martin-in-the-Fields Church, Lumberton
- May**
- 1 Office appointments; Camden Convocation Clergy and Lay Forums - Grace Church, Merchantville; St. John's Church, Maple Shade - vestry meeting
- 2 Woodbury Convocation Clergy and Lay Forums - Christ Church, Woodbury
- 3-6 Florida - Richard and Jessica's wedding
- 8 Cuba Working Group Zoom meeting; office appointments; GC Deputies meeting - Trinity Cathedral Guild Room
- 9 Burlington Convocation Clergy and Lay Forums - Trinity Church, Moorestown
- 10 Meeting with Archdeacons; Office appointments; Cooper Episcopal Consortium
- 11 Memorial Service: Margaret Wilson Mendell - St. David's Church, Kinnelon, NJ
- 12 Procter House - Young Adult Forum; Matthews Conference Room, 808: Youth Forum
- Trinity Cathedral: Installation of Honorary Canons/Choir Camp Reunion
- 14-16 GTS Board meeting and Commencement
- 17 Office appointments; BUAGV Conference Call; Standing Committee meeting
- 18 Memorial service: The Rev. Eric Brechner - Trinity Cathedral; office appointments
- 19 ECW Annual meeting - Grace-St. Paul's Church, Mercerville
- 20 Baccalaureate Service - Trinity Cathedral
- 21 Cuba Working Group conference call
- 22 Deans meeting; Diocesan Council meeting; office appointments; Cathedral Chapter meeting
- 24 Offsite meetings; St. Andrew's, Camden - meeting with leadership of Camden churches
- 26 Memorial Service: William and Archdeacon Carol Stoy - Trinity Church, Princeton
- 29 Funeral Service: The Right Reverend George Edward Cuncell - Trinity Cathedral and Interment - St. Mary's Church, Burlington
- 30 Holy Spirit Church, Tuckerton - town hall meeting
- 31 Office appointments; Christ Church, Toms River - vestry meeting
- June**
- 1 Procter House, Princeton - ECP's Annual Reunion
- 2 St. David's Church, Cranbury - Diocesan Leadership Retreat
- 4 Cuba Working Group Zoom meeting
- 5 Corporation of WWC meeting - Diocese of Newark offices; office appointments; St. Matthew's Church, Pennington - Inquirer's class
- 6 Office appointments
- 7 Interims meeting; office appointments
- 8 Camden churches Zoom meeting; Pre-Ordination conversation with Ordinands; General Convention Deputies dinner meeting - Bishop's residence
- 9 Trinity Cathedral - Transitional Diaconate Ordination; DoCC planning meeting
- 10 Holy Family Church, Laurel Springs - vestry meeting
- 12 Office appointments; Commission on Black Ministry meeting
- June**
- 13 Standing Committee meeting
- 14-26 St. John's-by-the-Sea Church, Avalon - Bishop in residence

	16	St. Mary's, Stone Harbor - vestry meeting; Christ Church, Somers Point - vestry meeting
	18	Cuba Working Group Zoom meeting
	19	Deans meeting; Diocesan Council meeting; office appointments; New Jersey Institute for Social Justice - New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Newark
	23	Funeral Service: The Rev Thomas E. Sweeny, Dcn. - St Mark & All Saints Church, Galloway
	26	Cuba Working Group Zoom meeting
	27	Office appointments; offsite appointment; Social Justice Event - Trinity Cathedral
	28	Office appointments; St. Peter's Church, Medford - town hall meeting
	29	Offsite appointments; DLI Team Zoom meeting
	30	Ordination to the Priesthood: Stephen Connor - Holy Trinity Church, Ocean City
July	2-14	General Convention - Austin, Texas
	17	Office appointments
	18	DoCC meeting; St. John's Church, Salem - vestry and discernment committee meeting
	19	Trustees meeting; Choir Camp Evensong, Church of the Advent, Cape May
	20	DLI Zoom meeting
	21	St. Martin-in-the-Fields Church, Lumberton - vestry meeting
	23-27	UBE Annual Meeting - Nassau, Bahamas
	28	St. John's Church, Maple Shade - vestry meeting
	29	Trinity Church, Asbury Park - vestry meeting
	31	Office appointments; St. Paul's Church, Camden - vestry meeting
August	1	Office appointments; Trinity Church, Swedesboro - vestry meeting
	2	Offsite meeting; Constable Grant Task Force meeting; office appointments; St. Andrew's Church, Lambertville - vestry meeting
	7	Office appointments;
	8	Office appointments; LEAMNJ conference call; Christ the King Church, Willingboro - meeting with clergy, wardens, and vestry w/CoBM members
	9-20	Bishop out of the office following Susan's surgery
	21	Office appointments
	22	Office appointments; St. Augustine's Church, Asbury Park - meeting with clergy, wardens, and vestry w/CoBM members
	23	St. Alban's Church, New Brunswick - meeting with clergy, wardens, and vestry w/CoBM members
	25	Lifelong Christian Formation meeting - Trinity Cathedral
	28	St. Augustine's Church, Atlantic City - meeting with clergy, wardens, and vestry w/CoBM members; Feast of St. Augustine event
	29	St. Mary's Church, Pleasantville - meeting with clergy, wardens, and vestry w/CoBM members
	30	St. Augustine's Church, Camden - meeting with clergy, wardens, and vestry w/CoBM members; St. Wilfrid's Church, Camden - meeting with clergy, wardens, and vestry w/CoBM members
September	3-7	Diocesan Leadership Initiative – Kanuga Conference Center
	8	DoCC Coordination meeting - St. Matthew's Church, Pennington; Bishop Beckwith's Farewell Luncheon; St. Luke's Church, Metuchen - vestry meeting; St. Thomas Church, Red Bank - meeting with clergy, wardens, and vestry w/CoBM members
	11	Office appointments; Church of Our Merciful Saviour, Penns Grove - vestry meeting
	12	Office appointments; GTS Board conference call; Church of the Good Shepherd, Rahway - vestry meeting
September	13	Fresh Start meeting; meeting with Archdeacons; office appointments; St. Mark's Church, Plainfield - meeting with clergy, wardens, and vestry w/CoBM members

- 14 Dinner on the Eve of the Consecration of the Reverend Canon Kevin Nichols - Homewood Suites by Hilton, Center Valley
- 15 Consecration of the Reverend Canon Kevin Nichols as Bishop of the Diocese of Bethlehem - First Presbyterian Church of Allentown; Trinity Church, Princeton: Dr. Ellen Davis Lecture: The Preacher as Public imaginer
- 16 Battle Against Hunger - Arrival at Washington Crossing Pavilion for Finish Line Festival
- 18 Deans meeting; Diocesan Council meeting; office appointments; Cathedral Chapter meeting
- 19 DoCC meeting; St. Elizabeth's Church, Elizabeth - meeting with clergy, wardens, and vestry w/CoBM members
- 20 Office appointments; Trustees videoconference; BUAGV conference call; Standing Committee meeting
- 21 Rehearsal and dinner on the Eve of the Consecration of the Reverend Carlye J. Hughes - Crystal Room of the Robert Treat Hotel, Newark
- 22 Consecration of the Reverend Carlye J. Hughes as Bishop of the Diocese of Newark - NJPAC
- 25 Newly retired clergy brunch; office appointments; Church of St. John-on-the-Mountain, Bernardsville - vestry meeting
- 26 Convention planning meeting; Christ Church, Toms River - town hall meeting
- 27 Office appointments; St. Mary's Church, Haddon Heights and Holy Family Church, Laurel Springs - joint meeting with clergy and wardens
- 28 Peddie School, Hightstown - day with students
- 29 Trinity Cathedral - Evensong for Older Adults

October

- 2 DLI Zoom meeting; office appointments; St. Simeon's-by-the-Sea, North Wildwood - vestry meeting
- 3 EDS at Union - Interfaith Vigil Against Gun Violence in James Chapel
- 4-7 In Florida for Lora Ann Stokes' Baptism
- 8 The Bishop George E. Councill Memorial Golf Tournament - Mercer Oaks-West Golf Course, West Windsor
- 9 Office appointments; Bethel AME Church - rally for minimum wage
- 10 St. George's-by-the-River Church, Rumson - vestry meeting
- 11-12 Province II Council meeting - East Greenbush, NY
- 16 Deans meeting; Diocesan Council meeting; office appointments; Campus Ministry Foundation
- 17 GTS E&F Committee Zoom meeting; DLI Coaching Zoom meeting
- 18 Trustees meeting; DIT meeting; St. Luke's Church, Metuchen - meeting
- 19 Ordination to the Priesthood: Carmen Viola - Grace Church, Haddonfield; St. John's Church, Maple Shade - vestry meeting
- 23 Zoom meeting with the Presiding Bishop; UrbanPromise Celebration Banquet - Scottish Rite Auditorium, Collingswood
- 24 Church of St. Uriel the Archangel, Sea Girt - Monmouth Convocation meeting
- 27 Grace Church, Pemberton - Project Resource AMP UP Workshop; Funeral Service: The Rev. Canon Dr. Ronald G. Albury - St. Peter's Church, Medford
- 28 St. John-on-the-Mountain Church, Bernardsville - town hall meeting
- 30 Office appointments; Christ Church, Woodbury - Woodbury Convocation meeting
- 31 Office appointments

November

- 1 Interims meeting; office appointments; Zoom meeting with Van Duzer Scholarship Fund Trustees; Church of Our Merciful Saviour, Penns Grove - vestry meeting

November

- 3 Souls for the Harvest walk - Veterans Park, Hamilton; Love Must Act meeting with Bishop Stacy Sauls

- 6 Office appointments; Good Shepherd Church, Rahway and St. John the Baptist Church, Linden - joint meeting with clergy and wardens
- 7 DoCC Steering Committee meeting; Cuba Working Group Zoom meeting; Holy Spirit Church, Lebanon - Watchung Convocation meeting
- 8 DoCC Zoom meeting; Constable Grant Task Force meeting; St. Mark and All Saints Church, Galloway - Atlantic Convocation meeting
- 9 ECF Board and Staff meeting in NYC
- 10 Trinity Cathedral - Diocesan-wide Confirmation service
- 12-14 Clergy Conference - Seaview Hotel and Golf Club, Galloway
- 14 ECP midweek Eucharist and dinner at Procter House, Princeton
- 15 VDSF Zoom meeting; DLI Coaching Zoom meeting; office appointments; Director of Communications Search Committee meeting
- 17 All Saints' Church, Lakewood - vestry meeting; Project Interaction Dinner - Audubon
- 20 Deans meeting; Diocesan Council meeting; office appointments; Cathedral Chapter meeting
- 21-26 Thanksgiving in Florida
- 27 Office appointments; St. Mary's Church, Haddon Heights - Camden Convocation meeting
- 28 Meeting with PTS Seminarians; office appointments; Holy Apostles Church, Yardville - Trenton Convocation meeting
- 29 Vulnerable Congregations Task Force meeting; office appointments; DLI Planning Zoom meeting; Holy Trinity Church, South River - Northern Convocation meeting
- 30 Offsite meetings

December

- 1 St. David's Church, Cranbury 50th Anniversary celebration - West Windsor; Trinity Cathedral - Go for the Gold dinner
- 4 Advent Clergy Day - Trinity Cathedral; office appointments; St. Andrew's Church, Lambertville - vestry meeting
- 5 Office appointments; GTS Board conference call; St. Thomas' Church, Red Bank - meeting with clergy, wardens and vestry
- 6 Interims meeting; DLI Coaching Zoom meeting; Standing Committee dinner
- 7 Pre-Ordination conversation with Ordinands
- 8 Trinity Cathedral - Transitional Diaconate Ordination
- 9-14 Developing Leadership Roles Now and into the Future Conference - Mont Gabriel Conference Center, Sainte-Adele, Canada
- 14 Youth Lock-in - Trinity Cathedral
- 15 DoCC Coordination meeting - St. Matthew's Church, Pennington; Ordination to the Priesthood: John Francis Maher - St. Paul's Church, Westfield
- 18 Deans meeting; Diocesan Council meeting; office appointments
- 19 DoCC Steering Committee meeting; office appointments, Good Shepherd Church, Rahway and St. John the Baptist Church, Linden - meeting with clergy and wardens
- 20 BUAGV conference call; Urban Promise Christmas event - Trinity Cathedral
- 21 Offsite meeting; staff Christmas lunch - Bishop's residence
- 22 Ordination to the Priesthood: Sharon Patterson - St. Stephen's Church, Mullica Hill; St. George's Church, Pennsville and Church of Our Merciful Saviour, Penns Grove - meeting with the wardens
- 23 Camden Christmas at the Camden Aquarium
- 24 Christmas Eve Festival Eucharist - Trinity Cathedral
- 25-31 Christmas in Florida