



Dear Diocesan family,

It has been an honor a privilege to participate in the discernment process for electing a new bishop to serve our diocese.

I felt called to pastoral ministry at the age of 16. However, the opportunity to discern and respond to the call of ordained ministry came following me becoming a practicing physician. As a bi-vocational priest, I have been able to serve our community, offer medical care to the underserved, extend the message of Christ and our ministries to communities underrepresented in our diocesan family.

Ministry in this diocese has been an exciting endeavor. During my tenure St. Luke's has become a multicultural, bilingual parish where people from all cultures walks of life and languages are welcome. Hispanic ministry which had been absent from our diocese prior to my arrival has also seen exciting developments. Today three churches in our diocese offer services in Spanish and our ministries are growing with diverse people, new to the Episcopal Church.

This journey of faith, science, ministry and medicine has provided me an appreciation for ministry to soul and body as key to the message of the gospel. I bring to this search a passion for holistic ministry, medical ministries to the underserved, a call to racial and ethnic diversity, a love of rural parishes, and multicultural ministry.

Participating in discernment has allowed me the opportunity to reflect on the call of God, share with many gifted clergy and lay people of our diocese, and envision a better future together.

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