

Pre-Convention Hearings

All are invited to the pre-convention hearings in February 2009. Four hearings will be offered from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. The hearings offer a time for deputies to ask questions and discuss issues. An agenda is followed with representation from the Finance and Budget, Nominating, Resolutions, Constitution and Canons, and Board of Missions Committees. Clergy, Lay Deputies, and Alternates should make a special effort to attend.

February 3 – St. James' Church, Long Branch, 300 Broadway, (732) 222-1411

From the Garden State Parkway North or South LOCAL LANES

Take Exit 105 (Eatontown/Long Branch.) This puts you on Route 36 East. Follow Route 36 East through 6 lights (Monmouth Road/71). After the 6th light get into the right lane and proceed straight to the next (7th) light where you will turn right onto Broadway. Follow Broadway (about 1.5 miles). (When you cross over RR tracks the church is ahead on the right.) Parking lot is behind the church via Slocum Pl.

From the Long Branch NJ Transit Station *(walking)*

Start out going NORTH on 3RD AVE, Turn left onto Chelsea Ave. Turn right onto So. 5th Ave. (at RR Tracks), Turn left onto Slocum Pl. Follow Slocum Pl. to Broadway (church is on the corner of Broadway & Slocum)

From the Ocean *(northbound or southbound)*

Ocean Ave./Ocean Blvd. to So. Broadway. Turn left onto So. Broadway. Follow Broadway (about 1/2 mile. Church on the left.

February 5 – Grace Church, Haddonfield, 19 Kings Highway East, (856) 429-0007

From the North: NJ Turnpike to exit 4 (Rt. 73 North) to 295 South. Take 295 South to exit 32 (Haddonfield-Berlin Rd/Rt561) Bear right at the fork on the off ramp onto Rt. 561 West. After 3 lights, bear left at "y" (Kress' Liquors will be on your right before "y") to the traffic light. Continue on this road to next light at the intersection of Haddon Avenue and Kings Highway (Rt. 41, you will be on Haddon Ave.). Make a left onto Kings Highway and go to the next light at Tanner St. The church is located one block past Tanner St. on Kings Highway. Parking may be available on Kings Highway, if not, turn right at Tanner St. and make the first left (there will be a parking sign). At the end of the street you will come into a large municipal parking lot and the church is located in the far left corner of this parking area. *Please note that you need not pay the meters weekends and after 6:00p.m. on weekdays.*

From the Jersey Shore: Take the Atlantic City Expressway to Rt. 42 (Expressway empties into Rt. 42). Stay on Rt. 42 until you come to Rt. 295 North. [right exit] (This exit comes right after Creek Rd exit). Take 295 North to exit 29 (Barrington Exit-Rt. 30-White Horse Pike). Stay in right lane, at light (circle) make a right onto Highland Ave. (This rd has three names: Clements-Bridge Rd, Highland Ave., and Chews Landing Rd) take this rd (which will change it's name to Chews Landing Rd in Haddonfield) to the next light. At this light you will be at the intersection of Chews Landing Rd and Kings Highway (Rt. 41). Make a right onto Kings Highway. Go past the next light and over the speed line tracks (bridge). Grace Church will be approximately 4 doors down on the left side of the street. There may be some parking available on Kings Highway, but if there is no parking available, continue on to the next light (Tanner St.) and make a left onto Tanner St. and then the next left into a municipal parking lot. Grace Church is located at the far left hand corner of this parking lot. *Please note that you do not need to pay the meters on weekends and weeknights after 6:00p.m.*

February 9 – Church of the Holy Spirit, Tuckerton, 220 E Main St, (609) 296-9618

From the Garden State Parkway: Exit 58 to 539 into Tuckerton at Route 9, turn left. Church is two blocks on the right.

February 11 – St. John’s Church, Somerville, 158 West High Street, (908) 722-1250

From Morristown Area and North: Route 287 South to Exit 17 (Rt. 202-206 South, Somerville-Princeton), 2 miles to Somerville Circle, follow signs for Rt. 28 East, exit circle at STS Firestone Tire Co. onto Rt. 28 East (West End Ave.); go 4 blocks; at traffic light turn left onto Mountain Ave (gas station on left). Make first right onto West High Street, Church is two blocks on left. Parking in rear or surrounding streets.

From South (Garden State Parkway, Shore Points and Woodbridge: Rt. 287 North to Rt. 28 West (Somerville) exit 13, travel approx. 4 miles on Rt. 28 W; at light on Gaston Ave., turn left, go to light at Main St., turn right and proceed through downtown Somerville; make right on N. Doughty Ave. Church straight ahead on West High Street.

From Princeton/Mercer County Area: Route 206 North to Somerville Circle; exit at Rt. 28 East (West End Ave.) STS Tire Co. on corner, go 4 blocks; at traffic light turn left onto Mountain Ave. (gas station on left). Make first right onto West High St.; Church is 2 blocks on left. Parking in the rear of church or surrounding streets.