ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINING CHAPLAINS

To the Bishop and Diocesan Council of the Northeast & Mid-Atlantic (NEMA):

Greetings in our Lord, Christ Jesus! All Saints 2026

The Board of Examining Chaplains is tasked with evaluating the fitness of candidates for ordination to the Diaconate and/or the Presbyterate, for being set apart as Deaconess, or for transfer of orders into this Diocese. Upon completing evaluation of paperwork and written examination, followed by an interview via Zoom; we must discern either to 'recommend' or to 'not recommend' that person to the Bishop for ordination or transfer.

In 2026 we consisted of The Very Rev. Eric Jorgensen, The Very Rev. Cn. Eduardo Andrade, and myself, with Bishop Jenkins in attendance ex officio. The Ven. Rev. Dr. Jon Abboud, and the Rev. Gerald McGlynn joined us one session as substitute chaplains. I am grateful for the opportunity to have worked with these godly men, and I offer praise to the Lord for the work we accomplished together this year!

Following is a list of examinations conducted, ordered chronologically:

Mr. Jared Lovell	Presbyterate	Dec. 12th, 2025	-Recom'd
Mr. Norris Gadsden	Presbyterate	Jan. 9th, 2026	-*Rewrite Req.*
	Rewrite Reviewed	Sept. 28th, 2026	-Recom'd
Dr. Jack Simpson	Transfer	Jan. 30th, 2026	-Recom'd
Dr. Calhoun Parks	Deaconate	Feb. 27th, 2026	-Recom'd
Dr. Joshua Arp	Deaconate	Mar. 27th, 2026	-Not Rec'd
Mr. Lorenzo Figueroa-Cusick	Transfer	Jul. 10th, 2026	-Recom'd
Mr. Benjamin Pierce	Presbyterate	Jul. 17th, 2026	-Recom'd

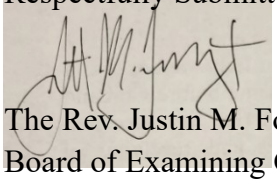
Following is a List of current Postulants, ordered alphabetically:

Dr. Josua Arp, Grace (Scranton), PA
Mr. Keith Beardsworth, St. Matthew's, PA
Mr. Joshua Dever, St. Stephen's, MD
Mr. Langston Gash, St. Stephen's, MD
Mr. June Hahn, St. George's, ON CAN
Mr. Christian Jones, St. Peter's, MD
Mr. Alexander McWilliams, Good Shepherd, PA
Mr. Timothy Meadows, St. Albans, NY
Mr. Matthew Trail, St. Steven's, MD

In closing, I would urge that fervent prayers be offered God for the Bishop and chaplains, all candidates, postulants, transfers, and those potential: that there would be faithful workers

raised up, strong in Christ Jesus for the harvest of the Lord and the cure of souls! I would also like to commend all the candidates on their hard work, and often great patience in enduring the rigors of the process. Let His name be praised forever. Amen!

Respectfully Submitted,



The Rev. Justin M. Forsberg
Board of Examining Chaplains, Chair