

Profile & Search
Listening Session
Trinity Church, Potsdam – St. Lawrence Deanery

What spiritual characteristics would you like to see in our new Bishop?

- Use the Bible the way it was written
- Interpret as led by the spirit, scholarship, experience
- Uphold the tenants of the Gospel – Jesus was and will come again and all that His dying on the cross encompasses (memorial acclamation)
- Approachable
- A good example – has a prayer life, a rule of life
- Discerning and wise
- Committed to outreach to those in need
- Gifts are easily recognized; authentic
- Teach and model how to work (get along with) those who don't agree with the bishop (agree to disagree; co-exist)
- Compassion
- Love
- Godly
- Pastoral
- Understanding
- Healer
- Listener
- Forthright
- Not afraid of conflict
- Available (answers the phone)
- Merciful
- Open minded
- Approachable
- Christ-like
- Recognizes the geographic diversity of our diocese
- Organized – thoughts, administrative

- Not afraid to be uncomfortable
- Likes snow & cold

What skills would you like the new Bishop to have?

- Listening
- Administrative
- Delegator
- Preacher
- Mediation
- Sense of Humor
- Innovative
- Ecumenical
- Sympathetic
- Can carry out the vision the cast
- Caring
- Aware of own limitations
- Mentor to the clergy
- Patient
- Confident
- Not afraid of getting their hands dirty
- Humble

What do you think the next priorities for the Diocese should be going forward?

- Growth in numbers
- Guardian of the faith
- Healing & Reconciliation with the Episcopal Church
- Social justice
- Embrace diversity
- Self-care
- Increase number of clergy
- Better communication throughout the diocese

- Discern what are the top priorities to work on first
- Cast a vision
- Leadership
- Encourager