

## General Convention of The Episcopal Church 2024 Archives' Research Report

**Resolution No.:** 2024-A090  
**Title:** Authorization of 1979 Book of Common Prayer  
**Proposer:** Task Force on Communion Across Difference  
**Topic:** Book of Common Prayer, Canons

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**Directly Related:** (Attached)

None

**Indirectly Related:** (Available in the [Acts of Convention](#) database, searchable by resolution number)

None

*In preparing this report, the Archives researched the resolutions in the Acts of Convention database for the period 1973 through 2022, selecting “direct” resolutions that have a substantive bearing on the proposed legislation. The “direct” resolutions are attached and “indirect” resolutions are available in the Acts of Convention database. Committee members who require other research assistance should contact the Archives through the [Research Request Form](#).*

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**Final Status:** Not Yet Finalized

**Proposed by:** Task Force on Communion Across Difference

**Has Budget Implications:** No

**Cost:**

**Amends C&C or Rules of Order:** Yes

**Requests New Interim Body:** No

**Changes Mandate Of Existing Ib:** No

**Directs Dfms Staff:** No

**Directs Dioceses:** No

**Directs Executive Council:** No

**HiA:** No House Assigned

**Legislative Committee Currently Assigned:** No Committee Assigned

**Completion Status:** Incomplete

**Latest House Action:** N/A

**Supporting Documents:** No

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## Resolution Text

*Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring,

That the 81st General Convention amend Canon II.3 by adding a new Section 9 thereto, to read as follows:

**<Amended text as it would appear if adopted and concurred. Scroll below the line of asterisks (\*\*\*\*\*) to see the version showing all deleted and added text.>**

II.3

**Sec. 9.** The Book of Common Prayer as accepted by the General Convention of this Church in 1979 is authorized for regular use at any service in all dioceses of this Church.

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**<Proposed amended resolution text showing exact changes being made:>**

II.3

**Sec. 9.** *The Book of Common Prayer as accepted by the General Convention of this Church in 1979 is authorized for regular use at any service in all dioceses of this Church.*

## **Explanation**

The 1979 Book of Common Prayer was memorialized by General Convention Resolution 2018-A068, “ensuring its continued use.” Our proposed canonical change would continue to ensure continued use of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer, providing it with a clear and stable place in our Church’s worship. Like the memorialization of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer, this resolution is proposed in anticipation of future additions to and amendments of the Book of Common Prayer as provided for in Article X of the Constitution of The Episcopal Church.