

**GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2018
ARCHIVES' RESEARCH REPORT**

RESOLUTION NO.: 2018-A066
TITLE: Add Thurgood Marshall, Pauli Murray, and Florence Li Tim-Oi to Lesser Feasts and Fasts, 2018
PROPOSER: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music
TOPIC: Lesser Feasts/Fasts

Directly Related: (Attached)

2012-A052 Authorize Propers and Propose Calendar Commemorations
2009-B020 Request Thurgood Marshall be Added to Church Calendar
2009-C002 Refer a Resolution to Add Pauli Murray to the Church Calendar
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2006-A059 Approve Commemorations for the Calendar of the Church Year
2006-C016 Refer a Resolution on Thurgood Marshall in Book of *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*
2003-A098 Propose Commemoration for the Calendar of the Church Year
2003-A099 Authorize Trial Use of Commemoration

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

None

Supplemental Documents: (Linked)

(*Blue Book*) Report to General Convention, [Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music](#), see page 170.

In preparing this report, the Archives researched the resolutions in the Acts of Convention database for the period 1976 through 2015, 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 at 800-525-9329 before Convention or at Convention in the General Convention Secretariat.

A066 Add Thurgood Marshall, Pauli Murray, and Florence Li Tim-Oi to Lesser Feasts and Fasts, 2018

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RESOLUTION TEXT

- 1 *Resolved*, the House of _____ concurring, That the 79th General Convention include Thurgood Marshall, Pauli Murray, and Florence Li Tim-Oi in Lesser Feasts and Fasts 2018.

EXPLANATION

It is the normal expectation of Lesser Feasts and Fasts that at least two generations will have passed before someone is included on the calendar. In proposing this resolution, we are proposing to waive that requirement in the case of these three individuals, recognizing that all three are already very widely commemorated within the Episcopal Church.



Resolution Number: 2012-A052
Title: Authorize Propers and Propose Calendar Commemorations
Legislative Action Taken: Concurred as Amended
Final Text:

Resolved, That the 77th General Convention direct the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to consult with the Executive Council Committee on the Status of Women, the Episcopal Women's History Project, and other organizations of women in The Episcopal Church to identify women suitable for inclusion in the Calendar of the Church Year and to develop liturgical material for their commemoration; and be it further

Resolved, That the 77th General Convention propose additional commemorations in the Calendar of the Church Year and authorize trial use thereof for the triennium 2013-2015, as follows:

- **March 28, James Solomon Russell;**
- **April 17, Emily Cooper;**
- **May 15, Junia and Andronicus;**
- **July 1, Pauli Murray;**
- **July 29, First Ordination of Women to the Priesthood in The Episcopal Church;**
- **August 17, The Baptisms of Manteo, and Virginia Dare;**
- **September 23, Thecla; and be it further**

*Resolved, That the 77th General Convention authorize for trial use as a supplement to *Holy Women, Holy Men* the propers for these commemorations as found in the Blue Book, with the following revisions to the texts in the Blue Book: p. 285, second line: revise title to read August 17 Manteo, and Virginia Dare p. 285, collects I and II read:*

I

O God, thou hast created every human being in thine own image and each one is precious in thy sight: Grant that in remembering the baptisms of Manteo and Virginia Dare, we may grow in honoring thy gift of diversity in human life; become stronger in living out our baptismal vow to respect the dignity of every human being; and bring into the fellowship of the risen Christ those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

II

O God, you have created every human being in your image and each one is precious in your sight: Grant that in remembering the baptisms of Manteo and Virginia Dare, we may grow in honoring your gift of diversity in human life; become stronger in living out our baptismal vow to respect the dignity of every human being; and bring into the fellowship of the risen Christ those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Indianapolis, 2012* (New York: General Convention, 2012), pp. 596-597.



Resolution Number: 2009-B020
Title: Request Thurgood Marshall be Added to Church Calendar
Legislative Action Taken: Concurred as Amended
Final Text:

Resolved, That the 76th General Convention call upon the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music to add Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall to the liturgical Calendar of this Church now.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Anaheim, 2009* (New York: General Convention, 2009), p. 782.



Resolution Number: 2009-C002
Title: Refer a Resolution to Add Pauli Murray to the Church Calendar
Legislative Action Taken: Referred
Final Text:

Resolved, That the 76th General Convention commend the name of the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray to the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music for its consideration of the possible addition of the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray to the Calendar of The Episcopal Church recognizing July 1st, the date of her death, as the date of commemoration and request that it report on this matter to the 77th General Convention.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Anaheim, 2009* (New York: General Convention, 2009), p. 793.



Resolution Number: 2009-C057
Title: Refer a Resolution to Add Pauli Murray to the Church Calendar
Legislative Action Taken: Referred
Final Text:

Resolved, That the 76th General Convention commend the name of the Rev. Dr. Anna Pauline (Pauli) Murray to the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music for its consideration of the possible addition of the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray to the Calendar of The Episcopal Church, recognizing July 1st, the date of her death, as the date of commemoration, and request that it report on this matter to the 77th General Convention.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Anaheim, 2009* (New York: General Convention, 2009), pp. 794-795.



Resolution Number: 2006-A059
Title: Approve Commemorations for the Calendar of the Church Year
Legislative Action Taken: Concurred
Final Text:

*Resolved, That the commemorations of Florence Li Tim-Oi, Janani Luwum, Philander Chase, William Temple and Clive Staples Lewis, proposed by the 74th General Convention (2003 Journal, p. 446, 447f. and 488) and approved for trial use, be now finally approved and entered in the Calendar of the Church Year (BCP, p. 15-30) and in future revisions of *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*.*

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Columbus, 2006* (New York: General Convention, 2007), p. 485.



Resolution Number: 2006-C016
Title: Refer a Resolution on Thurgood Marshall in Book of Lesser Feasts and Fasts
Legislative Action Taken: Referred
Final Text:

*Resolved, That the 75th General Convention include Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall in the book of *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*, using the date of May 17, the decision in *Brown vs. Board of Education*, to be a day to commemorate the Christian witness of Justice Marshall; and be it further*

Resolved, That the following propers be considered for that feast day:

Eternal and Ever-Gracious God, you blessed your servant Thurgood with special gifts of grace and courage to understand and speak the truth as it has been revealed to us by Jesus Christ. Grant that by his example we may also know you and seek to realize that we are all your children, brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ, whom you sent to teach us to love one another; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Amos 5:10-15, 21-24

Psalm 34:15-22

I Corinthians 13:1-13

Matthew 23:1-11

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Columbus, 2006* (New York: General Convention, 2007), p. 470.



Resolution Number: 2003-A098

Title: Propose Commemoration for the Calendar of the Church Year

Legislative Action Taken: Concurred

Final Text:

Resolved, That the 74th General Convention propose an additional commemoration for inclusion in the Calendar of the Church Year and authorize trial use for the triennium 2004–2006, as follows:

- **January 24 - Ordination of Florence Li Tim-Oi, First Woman Priest in the Anglican Communion, 1944**

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Minneapolis, 2003* (New York: General Convention, 2004), p. 488.



Resolution Number: 2003-A099
Title: Authorize Trial Use of Commemoration
Legislative Action Taken: Concurred
Final Text:

Resolved, That the 74th General Convention authorize, for trial use until the General Convention of 2006, the above-listed commemoration proposed by the Convention, with the following propers:

January 24

Ordination of Florence Li Tim-Oi

First Woman Priest in the Anglican Communion, 1944

I. Gracious God, we thank thee for calling Florence Li Tim-Oi, much-beloved daughter, to be the first woman to exercise the office of a priest in our Communion; By the grace of thy Spirit inspire us to follow her example, serving thy people with patience and happiness all our days, and witnessing in every circumstance to our Savior Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

II. Gracious God, we thank you for calling Florence Li Tim-Oi, much-beloved daughter, to be the first woman to exercise the office of a priest in our Communion; By the grace of your Spirit inspire us to follow her example, serving your people with patience and happiness all our days, and witnessing in every circumstance to our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the same Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Psalm - 116:1-2

Lesson - Galatians 3:23-28

Gospel - Luke 10:1-9

Preface of a Saint (2)

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Minneapolis, 2003* (New York: General Convention, 2004), p. 488f.