ADC 2021 Board Nominee Profile: Personal Statement Nominee: Edward Hayley

Question #1; Contributing to the ADC Board:

Filling in for the ADC Board vacancy in 2020, I have now been the Treasurer for over a year. I have decided to let my name stand to continue on the ADC Board as Treasurer. I believe this will give continuity to the position along with ongoing support to the ADC and the other Board members. As we are in the midst of a number of exciting changes, I would like to continue to contribute where I can.

A professional CPA, CA, I have worked in Christian charities since 2005 and have served on several other volunteer boards for many years. I still serve as Treasurer on another Board (a Charity) since 2019.

Question #2; My vision for the future of the ADC:

I would like to see the ADC grow in its mission to be the primary organization for deacons within ALL dioceses in Canada, to be the go-to organization for support, networking, fellowship, and prayer.

I see the ADC as the primary champion for splitting the deaconate ordination stream from the priesthood stream, leaving the two ordinations as completely separate, and equal, callings.

Finally, I see the ADC as a proponent of a national deaconate ordination discernment process (similar to the ACPO for the priesthood) and to take the lead as resource for this process in both discernment support and education.

Question #3; About myself (ministry, hopes & dreams):

I am currently in discernment, believing that God has called me to the deaconate. After responding to God's call in 1984, and returning to the Anglican Church at that time, I have been involved in many ministries... including teaching, preaching, being a server, and visiting.

I returned to University in 2002, completing an MDiv in 2005. As a professional accountant I have worked in Christian charities since 2005, currently serving at the Anglican Cathedral in Victoria, BC. In volunteer ministry at the Cathedral, I was initially involved in visiting elderly and infirmed parishioners, taking communion to them and praying with them. This was a ministry I enjoyed but found difficult to continue when my spouse and I moved out of Victoria and when my workload at the Cathedral increased significantly. I would like to be involved again in this ministry in the future.

What I have still done for many years now has been to preside at a Victoria retirement home monthly Anglican service, when the regular lay minister has been on vacation. The service includes preaching and administering communion using the reserve sacrament. I am also on the Cathedral roster as presider for Evensong services about once a month, which includes preaching. I would like to continue in preaching ministry.

I have enjoyed my year with the ADC as its Treasurer and believe this is a current ministry I am called to continue and would like to for another three-year term.