

Diocese of Texas Daughters of the King – Spring Assembly 2022 Speakers

SPEAKER – KATHY CULMER is an author, professional storyteller, speaker, teacher, and retreat leader. She is a graduate of Spelman College, the University of South Florida, and United Theological Seminary with a D. Min. in Biblical Storytelling. Kathy has been the featured storyteller for the Network of Biblical Storytellers' International Festival Gathering as well as for the Canadian Biblical Storytelling Festival. She traveled to The Gambia in West Africa as part of a biblical storytelling mission trip. Kathy has also been a workshop presenter at the National Christian Education Conference for the Episcopal Church, the ECW Triennial, and National Episcopal Youth Event. Kathy was the Mission Funding Coordinator for the Diocese of Texas from 2007 - 2013 and currently serves as Director of Religious Education for St. James Episcopal Church in Houston, TX. She is author of the story series: "Moving Forward in Truth: The African American Experience in the Diocese of Texas." Kathy has been a contributor twice to meditations in the Forward Day by Day and is the editor of a collection of personal narratives called Yes, Jesus Loves Me: 31 Love Stories.

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SPEAKER – The Reverend KELLY JENNINGS – Assistant Rector for Family Ministry, St. Richard's Episcopal Church, Round Rock, TX

Kelly's love for Jesus, and all things Church, started before she can remember. Her liturgical formation began in a big children's choir at All Souls' Episcopal Church, in Oklahoma City. She majored in Japanese at the University of Kansas, and spent a year teaching in an Anglican school and orphanage in Osaka, Japan. But her best adventure yet, began when she went to seminary and met Austin native, Nathan Jennings, who was the only one wearing cowboy boots at Yale Divinity School in 1998. They were married in 2000.

She was ordained in 2004, and both of them came to Austin in 2005, where Nathan has served at the Seminary of the Southwest, as Associate Professor of Liturgics and Anglican Studies. They have two children, Vitaly and Maria, who reveal every day to them God's grace and love.

Mother Kelly has served as a priest in Virginia, at St. James in Taylor, TX, and most recently as family minister at Resurrection, Austin, where she established a Catechesis of the Good Shepherd formation program for children. She is a trained catechist in this program for Levels I through III, covering ages 3-12.

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