

CANDIDATES FOR VESTRY 2021

Pam Clancy:



I am originally from Oregon. I lived there for 64 years of my life. This was where I became joined the Episcopal church about 45 years ago. I went to the Episcopal church off and on for various reasons. Nine plus years ago, God moved me to Texas. Shortly afterwards I started going to St. Christopher's. I love it in this parish. It is the one place where I truly feel like I have a family. It is also where I have learned to grow. I am currently President of "Daughter's of the King". I am doing the lessons for "The Order of St. Luke". I have served at the altar, been a lector and have volunteered as a delegate for Diocesan council. I would like to be on the Vestry to be a part of what happens at St. Christopher's.

John (Jay) Sproul



John "Jay" Sproul was born and raised in Pittsburgh, PA. He graduated from Washington & Jefferson College in 2005 with a BA in Political Science and History. Upon graduation, Jay commissioned into the United States Army as a Field Artillery Officer. As an Army Officer, Jay served in multiple units through five combat and operational tours to Afghanistan, Iraq, and Kuwait. During a two-year break in service, Jay worked as a Financial Advisor with First Command Financial Services helping military families plan for and pursue their financial goals.

Jayne Doxsey:



I have been an active member of St. Christopher's since 1989, having transferred my membership from St. Joseph's Catholic Church. I have raised my four children at St. Christopher's, two of whom have been baptized here as well as all four receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Part of being a good servant means sharing one's talents; some of my ministry work includes Sunday School teacher, two terms on Vestry, Diocesan Council representative, VBS teacher, and EYC leader. I am currently the Vice President of the Daughters of the King.

Being isolated during the past year due to COVID has been very difficult for me, especially being away from my church family. By serving on the Vestry, I believe I can help bridge the transition between virtual and in-person ministry. Also, having a decades-long membership helps give an historical perspective into traditions and experiences, especially since so many of our founding members have passed.

Judy Van Riper:



I was born a “cradle Episcopalian” at Fort Knox, Kentucky in 1946 to Russ & Gene Hantke, longtime members of St. Christopher’s. I spent most of my childhood moving to different military posts. We lived on Ft. Hood from 1952 to 1956 and attended St. Christopher’s. I was confirmed at St. Chris’ in 1956, just before we moved to Ft. Polk, La. We returned “home” to Killeen in 1960 after being stationed in Germany. I graduated from Killeen High School in 1964 and we stayed in the Killeen area after my dad retired from the military.

During my first teaching job in Killeen, I met and married George, an Army aviator. We were married at the Brigade Ave East Chapel by the Chaplain and the Rev. Phillip Stevenson, the current rector of St. Christopher’s at the time. We had two children Geoffrey and Nancy over the next 16 years. After much travelling, moving, packing, and un-packing, we ended back at Ft. Hood for the 4th time in 1984.

I interviewed for a teaching position at Meadows Elementary (the school I attended in the 1950’s) just as we were moving back that Summer. I attended St. Christopher’s with my daughter and served on the Vestry 1990-1992. We built a house in Harker Heights in 1994 where we still reside. I retired from Killeen ISD schools in 2008 after 13 years as the principal of Pershing Park Elementary. George and I attended the Anglican-Lutheran-Episcopal service on Fort Hood for several years, before returning to St. Christopher’s.

Time and much reflection has given me the opportunity to understand the need to participate fully in my spiritual health, and this includes active participation with my church family. Please consider me as a vestry candidate.

Beth Bodkin:



As a Vestry member, I am willing to fill in where I am needed. I am also running as a delegate to Diocesan Council this year. My husband was Bill, who was our Financial Manager up until August of 2020. My son Stephen and his wife Kathy attend St. Chris. I have 2 other sons. I was confirmed in Georgia in 1965 and have been a member of St. Chris since 1990. I have served several times on your vestry and was Sr. Warden up until January 2020 when my 3 years were up. I am active in several ministries of the church including mentoring EfM. I was also a bread baker for our Communion celebrations. I bring experience and love of this congregation to the vestry and as a delegate

to the 2021 Diocesan Council.

2021 Diocesan Council Candidates

Delegates

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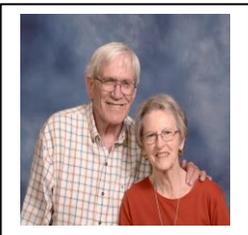


I have served numerous ministries at St. Christopher's Church over the years. I served as Sr. Warden of the Vestry until January 2020 when my 3 years was up. I also am the EfM facilitator, and baked bread for our Communion celebrations before March of 2020. As a delegate, I am willing and able to serve where needed.

John Ott:



JoAnn Carthey:



I have been a member of St. Christopher's for 30+ years. During that time I have served in the parish as a charter member of St. Christopher's Daughters of the King, member of the Altar Guild, teaching Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, completed the 4-year Education for Ministry. I have also been involved with teaching and on the board of St. Christopher's Preschool. I was confirmed in the Episcopal Church in 1980. I served as an alternate delegate to council several times and would gladly go as a delegate for our parish.

Dana Karcher:



Dana is a lifelong Episcopalian and has served the Church in a variety of capacities. She has taught Sunday School, led youth groups, served on a search committee and a preschool board. In the Diocese of San Joaquin, she served as the vice chair of Diocesan Council (Advisory Council to the Bishop.) She is happy to be settled at St. Christopher's and looking forward to serving the parish.

Alternates

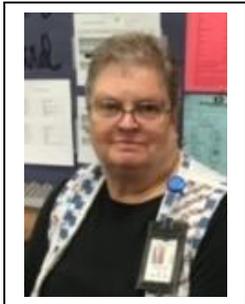
Barnett Carthey:



I was raised in another denomination but, since January 1971, have been and always will be an Episcopalian. I am married to JoAnn Buie Carthey and we have 4 children ranging and 12 grandchildren. We moved to Cove in August 1985 from Terrell, Texas and currently live in Kempner where we have lived since Feb. 1998. I am retired from teaching/coaching and sales. My interests are sports, helping where I am needed, reading and limited cooking. I am a Cursillista, #69-Diocese of D/FW and have served on Cursillo teams.

I would like to be an alternate delegate to Council because I feel I have much to contribute to most discussions regarding the Episcopal church. I have served in many capacities in the Episcopal church. From LEM, to Worship Director, Sunday School teacher, to being the head of the Men's Prayer Breakfast, Historian and many more duties/positions. I love St. Christopher's and want to do whatever I can to promote it and Council is a tremendous place to do it

Viretta "Penny" Gillespie



I have attended St. Christopher's since the 1980's. During that time, I have had the privilege of serving as both LEM and LEV. One of the highlights of my time here at St. Christopher's is being able to attend Cursillo and then being on the team 3 times. Diocesan Council is an important part of the church and I will take it very seriously.

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