

# VESTRY CANDIDATES



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## SAMUEL (SAM) G. CARNEAL

### ABOUT ME

I am currently serving as the the Clerk and Scribe of the Vestry, completing an unexpired term of former a member. My husband, Shawn Crouch, and I married in 2017, which is the same year we started attending Christ Church on a regular basis after several years of attending special musical services and holidays. We joined the Cathedral in 2019. In my work life I am an attorney with Gess Mattingly & Atchison, practicing mainly in real estate and commercial law. I currently serving on the Board of Directors the Kentucky Land Title Association, where I am a past president. I previously served for a decade on the Board of Directors for Lexington Habitat for Humanity and was its president for two of those years. I have also served on the Board for the High Street YMCA.

### MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

In addition to my service on the Vestry, I also enjoy serving as a lay Eucharist minister, and am involved with several groups at Christ Church. I am continually amazed at the welcoming nature of Christ Church and its parishioners. Since I began attending the numbers of opportunities to become involved have seemed to increase, as has the enthusiasm for returning better than we were before the pandemic caused everything to slow down. My husband and I were honored to be asked to be godparents to Jacob and Anna Fay and we are enjoying watching them grow in Christ.

### PERSONAL STATEMENT

As someone who grew up in a different faith tradition, I am keenly aware of the power of community in showing God's love to all. That is something I have found at Christ Church through its people, its ministries, and its outreach. Being welcoming and affirming is second nature to the members of Christ Church, and I see the Vestry as providing the management necessary to let the members do what comes naturally to them in furthering the mission and deals of Christ Church. It would be an honor to represent Christ Church and its members on the Vestry for a full term.



## LAURA COMBS

### ABOUT ME

I was born and raised in Corbin, Kentucky. I hold a BA from the University of Richmond (VA) and completed my MBA in Lexington in 2018. I work as a consultant with Deloitte Consulting. Additionally, I'm a member of the Junior League of Lexington and enjoy spending my weekends at estate sales, practicing yoga, and cheering for the University of Kentucky sports teams.

### MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

I joined Christ Church in 2022 and have actively participated by serving as an usher, contributing to the flower guild, and engaging with the young adults group. My spiritual journey took me through Southern Baptist and Pentecostal churches during my youth, but I never truly found my sense of belonging within those communities. In the spring of 2022, I discussed my search for a local church with my co-worker and fellow Christ Church member, Lydia Mcmanus. Graciously, Lydia invited me to the Good Friday noon service, where I immediately found a sense of peace and belonging within this community. Subsequently, I met with Charles, and two months later, I was baptized during Pentecost.

### PERSONAL STATEMENT

I love Christ Church for its inspiring music, thoughtful liturgy and sermons, beautiful historical building, and welcoming community. Serving Christ Church in any capacity would be a great honor. If elected, I wish to continue to make meaningful connections with members, clergy, and staff to foster Christ Church's evolving role and mission in the community while still sustaining our cherished traditions for both current and future generations.



## PENNY COX

### ABOUT ME

I was born in Pineville Kentucky and earned both my bachelor's degree and M.B.A. from UK. Over my 50+ year career at the UK, I have served in numerous leadership positions. Professionally, I have strong financial management and organizational planning skills. I am currently the Treasurer for UK where I oversee various functions including payroll, debt and liquidity, banking services, accounts payable, student account services, and accounting and preparation of internal and external financial reports. Prior to this position, I served as Associate Vice President for Administration and played an instrumental role in Information Technology and in the campus capital transformation for housing, dining, and the student center. I have been an adjunct faculty member in the Martin School of Public Administration and Chair of the Board of Directors of the UK Federal Credit Union. I have been a mentor in Women Business Leader program in the Gatton Business College for over 10 years. I have one daughter, Casie and three grandchildren, Diane, Julia, and Jack. Russ has four children, Jeff, Amanda, Mike, and Jenny; and four grandchildren, Noah, Porter, Charlotte, and Amelia. They bring us immense joy and pride.

### MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

Russ and I have attended Christ Church Cathedral since 2006. You might say, we were led by a child, my first granddaughter, Diane, who began singing in the girls' choir when she was eight years old. Russ and I were chaperones on the 2007 choir trip to Canterbury Cathedral in England. Our second granddaughter, Julia, also joined the choir when she was eight. We not only support the choir as a family by participating as chaperones, but also as "uber drivers" for rehearsals, evensong, DoK programs, church services, and Messiah concerts. Their passion for music and sharing God's word was impactful for not only our parishioner's here in Lexington, but also on the global stage. Christ Church Cathedral is my spiritual home. I currently serve on the Altar Guild, have served on a Breakfast Team and have assisted with Gathering of Angels fundraising and much more.

### PERSONAL STATEMENT

My passions are servant leadership development, life-long learning, and social responsibility. I believe that CCC is a place where my passions, prayers, and talents can support the church's mission. I love that our members are warm and welcoming to visitors, friends, families no matter where they are on their spiritual journey. If elected to the Vestry, it would be my honor to serve over the next three years and to use my time, talents, and gifts to represent our parishioners. Together, with our clergy, I will strive to positively impact the current and future success of our church family and the Lexington community.





## TIM MCWATERS

### ABOUT ME

I was born in Paducah, KY. I was Baptized in St. Thomas Moore Catholic Church and worshiped there till 1978 when I graduated high school. 1978 I attended University of Kentucky and attended the Newman Center Catholic Church on University Campus. In 1982 I graduated from the University of Kentucky with a degree in Finance and Business Administration. After graduation I took a position in the Medical Device field in Nashville, TN. I was in the Orthopedic Device field where I spent most of my adult life in the Orthopedic Device helping people with debilitating pain through trauma injuries or crippling arthritic pain. In 1987 I was transferred with my job to Lexington where I met my lovely bride Lynne Geddes, now Lynne Geddes McWaters. Her parents Herbert and Frankie Geddes along with their daughter Lynne and son Doug were very loyal members of Christ Church and both Vestry Members in good standing and Lynne and Doug served in the Men and Girls Choir.

### MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

Lynne and I were married at Christ Church Cathedral, and I became a member of Christ Church in 1990 and baptized in Christ Church in 1991. We have two daughters, Taylor and Shira. Since then, I have been active in several ministries and have been blessed to serve on various ushering teams and still currently serve on several breakfast ministry teams. I am a current member in the Brothers Andrew Ministry to continue to be active and serve in church activities

### PERSONAL STATEMENT

I have a calling to be even more active and expand my role in Christ Church and would be honored to be a member of Christ Church Vestry. I have great experience with budgeting and management skills that I feel I could be useful in this role. I love Christ Church it has become a second home for Lynne and myself and anything we can do to help we are all in.



## BRANDL SKIRVIN

### ABOUT ME

I was born in Covington, Kentucky and raised in Warsaw, Kentucky. My great-great grandfather was a Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Minister, and I was raised in that faith. After moving to Lexington to attend Transylvania University, I attended Central Christian Church for a couple of years but lost interest and quit attending. Several years later I decided to look for a new church home and was invited to CCC

by good and longtime friends Billy VanPelt and Kenton Ball. After one visit I realized this would be my church home and was confirmed in 2003. After graduation I spent a number of years in banking. In 1995 I refocused and started State Beauty Supply and continue that work today. I met my partner Chris, a lifelong Episcopalian in 2019 and we began attending together when he moved to Lexington. I have always had an interest in helping others. For many years I have served on boards and volunteered with the Bluegrass Rape Crisis Center, AVOL, The Nest, LexArts, and since 2007 I have been involved with JustFundKY, a statewide LGBTQ Organization that funds projects across the great Commonwealth. Currently I serve as President of that organization.

### MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

Growing up in a home of faith, we were always taught to look for opportunities to help others and serve the Lord. Fundamentally, that is my definition of Faith. I have served both the church and my community my whole life. The outreach and opportunities to serve through Christ Church enrich my life and I hope my work enriches the lives of others. I very much enjoy my time serving as a lay eucharist minister. I also currently serve on an usher team, participate in the 40s to 60s group, and have served on a breakfast team where I learned bacon makes everyone happy! I have recently joined the Flower Guild and have found so much pleasure in the beauty of the Christ Church experience. My early memories of Christ Church include the majesty of the Cathedral, the magnificent architecture, the Choir, and the feeling of love and acceptance of the members. While I wish I could sing and join the choir, my gift comes in helping enhance the experience for members and visitors to the Cathedral through my work on my outreach ministries.

### PERSONAL STATEMENT

Sharing time, talent and resources to serve others is deeply engrained in me. When invited to run for the Vestry, I realized that it would be another opportunity to serve. Helping CCC continue the great work it has been doing since 1796 while finding opportunities to touch more people and enhance our community is the next part of my journey. I will bring to the Vestry my strong business background and my experience as a servant leader. It would be a great honor to represent Christ Church and its members by serving on the Vestry.



## ELIZABETH ZACHEM WOODWARD

### ABOUT ME

I was raised in Toms River, NJ where, interestingly, we attended Christ Episcopal Church. I joined Christ Church Cathedral in 1987 when I moved to Lexington for college. I have a BA in Philosophy and an MBA, both from UK. Professionally, I am a CPA/forensic accountant at Dean Dorton. I have served in leadership roles on several community and professional boards, most recently as Chair of the Bluegrass Airport Board and Co-Treasurer of Spindletop Hall. My husband Bill and I were married at CCC on a beautiful October day 32 years ago. We have two children – William and Ellen – who many of you saw grow up as acolytes at CCC. Bill, William and Ellen were all baptized and confirmed at CCC.

### MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

Over the years, I have taught Sunday School, served on the finance and endowment committees, served as a Stephen's Minister, volunteered with Room in the Inn, led (with my husband) the breakfast ministry, helped with discernment committees and graduated from EFM. I currently serve as a vergers and continue to help on a breakfast team. Our church and the greater Episcopal church are my community.

### PERSONAL STATEMENT

The clergy, members, and programs of CCC have shaped and sustained my adult life and family. I am passionate about our community and believe that God works through each of us to build His church and proclaim His profound message of love. The work of the Vestry is important to managing the business side of the organization. I believe that my formal education, my volunteer experience, and my occupation equip me with the necessary knowledge to fulfill the duties of serving on the Vestry, should the CCC members entrust me with this responsibility.

# YOUR CURRENT & RETIRING VESTRY MEMBERS

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Rick Anderson  
Nell Campbell  
Guy Ellis  
Jo Geddes  
Russ Jarvis  
Loys Mather  
Megan Norris  
Lynne Slone

## YOUR VESTRY MEMBERS RETIRING

Dan Dorsett  
Becky Horine  
Marc Mathews  
Sam Carneal



# MEMBERS, *PLEASE VOTE!*

## VOTING

**The by-laws of Christ Church Cathedral provide:**

- Eligible voters are: baptized, confirmed or received communicants 16 years or older; on the parish roll for at least 6 months; regular contributors to the support of the parish & who are not in arrears in their pledge.
- Voting will begin at 8:00 am on Sunday, December 10 and continue throughout the morning until 1 hour after the conclusion of the 11:00 service.

## HOW TO VOTE

**Vestry Elections.** Each eligible voter will **vote for four** Vestry members. The four with the most votes will begin their service in January.

**Convention Deputy Nominees.** Each eligible voter will **vote for four** Convention Deputies. The four with the most votes become Deputies.

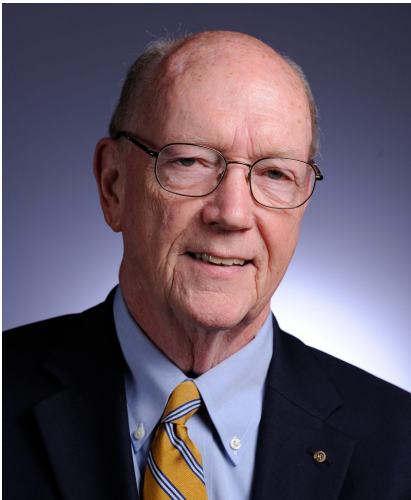
**Voting for less or more than four Vestry candidates  
AND less or more than four Deputy candidates  
renders your ballot VOID.**

# CONVENTION DEPUTY



**NELL CAMPBELL**

My family and I joined Christ Church in the autumn of 2013 after relocating to Lexington. During our time as members of this community so far I have served in a range of ministries from teaching roles with EfM and Godly Play to outreach and hospitality roles with Art at the Cathedral, the Cupboard, and Breakfast Teams. I am your 2023 Junior Warden and will serve on the vestry through 2024. I would be honored to represent Christ Church at next year's diocesan convention.



**DAN DORSETT**

My wife June and I first came to CCC in 1990 with our 3 children. I serve as a Verger and leader of Lectors and Intercessors. I have served as a confirmation mentor, diocesan convention deputy, and am a member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Having previously served on Vestry (2014-16) I am now in my final year of another three-year term and have served as Junior Warden (2022) and Senior Warden (2023). I am a retired CPA and have worked as VP/General Manager of WLAP/MMXL radio.



**ANN LOGGINS**

I came to Christ Church, was confirmed & married in Christ Church 1978 and have remained a member even while living out of state. I have served on a breakfast team, as a lay reader, taught Sunday School, and on the altar guild. I have a Masters in social work with experience in child welfare, hospitals and clinical settings, with the homeless and ultimately a hospital CEO. I am currently co owner of a private geriatric case management business. I have one fabulous son and four grandchildren I'm now working part time and eager to support the church however I can.

# CONVENTION DEPUTY



**MARC MATHEWS**

I am a CPA and recently retired as the Vice President for Finance at Transylvania University. My wife Gwen and I have been regular members of CCC for 24 years and our two adult children were raised here. I started serving the church as a member of the breakfast team and have loved serving in this ministry ever since. I've also had the opportunity to work in the Community Cupboard, the Bookstore, and to serve as a Verger, Vestry member, Senior Warden and Treasurer. I am currently serving as Treasurer of the Vestry.



**CHRISTINE STANLEY**

My husband Justin and I were married at CCC in 2017. We traveled to England with the choir last summer. I am a member of the Daughters of the King, a reader at Sunday services and have volunteered with the Community Cupboard,. Professionally I am the chief legal counsel of Planned Parenthood in KY, IN, HI, AK and the Great Northwest and an adjunct professor for the UK College of Law and Health Sciences.



**JIM WARE**

My wife Cindy & I joined CCC in 2015. I have been a Verger and Acolyte Director for 12 years. I have served a five-year term and am now serving a second term as Treasurer. I have served one term on the Vestry and was Senior Warden in 2012. I am the Director of the Cathedral Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. I was a deputy to the 2015 General Convention in Salt Lake City. I also serve on the Diocesan Finance Committee. I have served as Convention deputy on two occasions and attended three others as as a member of the Diocesan Budget Committee.