

VESTRY CANDIDATES



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Christine Stanley
Jason Thompson
Jim Ware**



TIM ALFORD

ABOUT ME

My wife (Mary Bruce) and I have attended Christ Church for six years with our three children. Gray is in 6th grade, Virginia is in 3rd, and Stella - who never met a stranger - is in 1st. I hold a BA from Sewanee in English and Religion and Master's degrees in Theology from Harvard Divinity School and Leadership and Organizational Leadership from Vanderbilt. Now in my 20th year as a 'school person,'

I am currently the Head of the Middle School at The Lexington School. My work and family life grant me perspective and expertise in the parts of the Cathedral community that pertain to families and young people. I also have administrative, budgetary, strategic planning, and leadership experience and have been involved in fundraising efforts.

MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

I was born and raised in a small town in rural Mississippi and grew up Methodist. We were the kind of family who was at the church three times a week and (usually) twice on Sundays. I was involved in the Methodist Church's state youth leadership group, and while applying to Sewanee, my interest in the Episcopal Church was born. My small hometown Episcopalian church offered me a scholarship, and years later, I ended up working as a teacher at St. Andrew's Episcopal School in Jackson, MS. During that time that I participated in the 101 program and transferred my affiliation to the Episcopal Church. The Right Reverend Duncan M. Gray, whose father had also been a Bishop and is a Civil Rights icon, officiated that service and happened to deliver one of the more rousing homilies I'd heard then or since.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

My "Episcopalness" grew most of all because of my work for nearly a decade at St. Andrew's Episcopal School. With nearly 1000 students who participated in Godly Play and chapel services, I was able to teach religion courses along with my administrative roles. We were members at the St. Andrew's Episcopal Cathedral in Jackson while we lived in Mississippi and grew to be active in that community. When we moved to Christ Church, my wife Mary Bruce wanted us to visit because she'd grown up here, and the building and the choir hooked me right away. We've been involved in Vacation Bible School, I've taught classes on raising kids in a changing world, and Jim Ware makes sure our kiddos are on the acolyte schedule often enough to keep them honest.



JOHN BRICE

ABOUT ME

I was born in Chicago, went to High School in the Los Angeles area, have a BA in History from Northwestern University and a JD from the University of Kentucky College of Law. I have lived in Lexington since 1976 and am currently a partner at Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs. Amy and I have two adult children, Andy and Lily.

MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

I have been a member of Christ Church since 1990. I have served three terms on the Vestry and been both Senior and Junior Warden. I was Co-Chair of both the Great Hall and Helm Renovation Building Committees. I am on the Budget Committee and have been on the Stewardship Committee, Search Committee, Parking Lot Committee, the Diocesan Long Range Planning and Finance Committees, as well as a member of the Board of Trustees of Christ Church Apartments. I have taught Godly Play, High School youth, young adult, and adult classes.. I've been an usher, lay reader, sound system operator, Morning Prayer service officiant and am currently on a breakfast team. I have worked on several of our Habitat houses, including leading a group of High School youth for a Habitat build in South Carolina.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Participating in the life and mission of Christ Church has been both a joy and journey. I take great comfort in being part of a resilient congregation that has remained focused on its mission to restore all persons to unity with God and one another and would welcome the opportunity to participate again as a member of the Vestry.



AMBERLEE FAY

ABOUT ME

I carry a lot of titles that I'm extremely proud of and that keep me learning and growing every day. Mom to Jacob (9) and Anna (5), stepmom to Emma (19) and Heidi (16), wife of Joel, daughter and friend. I grew up in West Liberty, KY and earned my bachelor's degree and master's in health administration from the University of KY. Currently I serve as the director of patient experience at UK HealthCare leading our strategy for improving a patient's journey through our health system.

MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

My spiritual journey has not been linear; experiencing different faiths to continue learning and discovering. However, it wasn't until I came to my first Episcopal service at Christ Church Cathedral did I feel a sense of love and belonging. It was important to me that everyone was welcome and welcoming. I wanted to raise my children in a faith that was thoughtful, educational and without judgment where they can do their own wondering as they walk their journey. The people at CCC were and are gracious, while the doctrine teaches that God loves all without exception. This led to my own baptism and confirmation at CCC as an adult. Now I am a part of the POLO (Parents of Little Ones), ECW (Episcopal Church Women) After Hours and the greeters team.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

As the leader of patient experience at UK HealthCare, I understand the importance of knowing both the business and operational aspects of our organization to effectively enhance each patient's journey. As a trained facilitator in relationship-centered communication, I regularly engage in challenging conversations where empathy and a commitment to human-centered care are the guiding principles. I would be honored to bring these skills to the Vestry.



DIANA MARTIN

ABOUT ME

I grew up in Frankfort, Ky, the only child of Harold and Jean Wallace. My parents and I were members of the First Christian Church. My father and mother taught Sunday School and worked with the youth group. Also, my father was a deacon, an elder and a board member. My mother was also a board member. I regularly attended church, Sunday School, and I was president of the youth group. As a teenager, I drifted away from church. I married young, worked while my husband attended college, and later was a stay at home mom to our children. At age thirty, I began taking courses at the University of Kentucky. I was a nontraditional student at a time when there were very few of us. My degrees are in English. After college, I was fortunate to have a thirty year career teaching at Bluegrass Community and Technical College.

MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

I first came to CCC twenty years ago to attend the funeral of a close friend. I never left. It was a perfect fit. During my time here, I've served on the breakfast team, graduated from EFM (Education for Ministry) courses, and have been trained and served as an EFM mentor. Currently, I help serve communion and serve as a reader during services. I am also a Board member of ECW (Episcopal Church Women), where my focus is helping to arrange speakers for Books and Beliefs.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

I come from a long line of folks who believe in serving the church we attend. At my first visit, Christ Church touched my heart with its exquisite music, the fine historical building, delicious Sunday breakfast, and most of all the welcoming hospitality and love for ALL people. It was a perfect fit. It will be a honor if I'm chosen to be part of the Vestry. But it is also an honor to have been asked to run for Vestry. Thank you.



BETH PREWITT

ABOUT ME

I am a native Lexingtonian having grown up in the Woodland Park neighborhood with four younger brothers. I graduated from Henry Clay High School and attended the University of Kentucky where I obtained a BA in Computer Science. Since that time, I have lived in Knoxville, Pittsburgh, Charlotte and Atlanta where I worked in the financial industry.

During my time away, I raised three children. After

18 years the gravitational pull of Lexington brought me back home where I met my husband, Caywood. Together we joined Christ Church Cathedral in 2006 as a blended family. During their time in Lexington, our children, Madi, Quentin and Woods, were actively involved in the choirs and other ministries at Christ Church. I am currently a Vice President at Bank of the Bluegrass where I serve as a Financial Advisor in Wealth Management.

MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

I was raised in the Catholic faith and attended Christ the King. When my daughters joined the girls' choir in 2005 and I began attending services at Christ Church, I immediately felt the embrace of an inviting community where I was encouraged to explore my faith without boundaries. Over the course of the next nineteen years, the community at Christ Church has become one of the strongest pillars in my life and supported me through difficult and joyous periods. I have tried to reciprocate that support by participating in various ministries at Christ Church. Currently, I serve as a Eucharistic minister, as a reader, on the flower guild, and on the Legacy Society committee. I also serve on the endowment committee for the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Kentucky. I have previously served on the endowment committee at Christ Church, and been involved as an EfM facilitator and student, a J2A teacher, a Godly Play instructor, a co-chair of the Gathering of Angles, delivering meals for Moveable Feast, and a co-chair of Christ Church's efforts with Church under the Bridge.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

I believe that through involvement in our community, we give back a portion of the blessings bestowed upon us. I will bring to Vestry my strong financial background and leadership skills. I have been blessed to serve Christ Church in so many ways, and it would be an honor to serve on the Vestry.



GEORGE FOREMAN

ABOUT ME

My life has been filled with blessings far beyond what anyone could expect, much less deserve. I grew up in small towns in New Mexico and West Texas and as a boy discovered a love for music that grew ever stronger through playing in my high school and college bands. After receiving the BMed in Music Education and MA in Music History at the University of New Mexico and the MPh and PhD degrees in Musicology at the University of Kansas, my career as a teacher and arts administrator spanned 45 years. I was privileged to work with artists ranging from Yo-Yo Ma to the New York Philharmonic Orchestra; Willie Nelson to Dolly Parton; and dozens of Broadway shows. Throughout those years, my research as a musicologist with a particular interest in 19th century American bands continued, and most recently, I was co-editor of a collection of essays on American band history. My wife Lisa and I returned from Georgia to resume our life in Kentucky a year and a half ago.

MY INVOLVEMENT AND FAITH

I grew up and was baptized in the Church of Christ. I discovered around 1976 that the Episcopal Church was a much better fit for me, and I have been a member since then. I was initially drawn to Christ Church Cathedral by the extraordinary quality of the music and the ever uplifting qualities of the liturgy and services and have been a member since 2003, with a fourteen-year absence while Lisa and I lived in Athens, Georgia. My most meaningful involvement in the work of Christ Church was to serve as chair of the search committee that brought Erich and Kathleen Balling here to lead the music program.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Christ Church changed my life on Sunday, February 6, 2004. That's the day I met Lisa, my future wife, after church. We were married one year later to the day in the 11:00 service. My twenty years with Lisa have been the best of my life, and they are always associated in my mind and heart with Christ Church. I can never repay Christ Church for the blessings I have received through it, but if my background and experience will be of any value, I will be pleased to serve.

YOUR CURRENT & RETIRING VESTRY MEMBERS

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Rick Anderson
Penny Cox
Sam Carneal
Jo Geddes
Russ Jarvis
Brandl Skirvin
Lynne Slone
Elizabeth Woodward

YOUR VESTRY MEMBERS RETIRING

Nell Campbell
Guy Ellis
Megan Norris
Loys Mather

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.
- Voting will begin at 8:00 am on Sunday, December 8 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 CANDIDATES



SAM CARNEAL

I am currently serving as Jr. Warden of the Vestry. 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 serve on the Board of Directors of the Kentucky Land Title Association, and served as president. I also 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.



PENNY COX

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 UK, I have served in numerous leadership positions. I have strong financial management and organizational 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 financial reports. 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. Russ has four children and four grandchildren, and they all bring us immense joy and pride.



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.

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TRACEY MEYERS

Tracey Meyers is currently employed at Eop Architects. Tracey Meyers brings experience from previous roles at Contract Trainer for Business Skills, Hospice of the Bluegrass, University of Kentucky and Transylvania University. She attended Our Lady Of Peace High School, and the University of Minnesota, St. Paul, and possesses a robust skill set that includes Leadership, Social Media, Annual Giving, Public Speaking, Event Planning and more.



AMANDA NAISH

Amanda Naish is from Versailles, Kentucky. She graduated from Transylvania University with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. She earned her law degree from the University of Kentucky College of Law. She worked as an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney from 1998-2003 and returned to the office as an Assistant in 2012. In October, 2022, she was appointed First Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney. She tried the first labor human trafficking case in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and was awarded the Bakita Liberation Award for her work in that case. She co-chairs the Lexington Human Trafficking Taskforce.



PAIGE HALPIN SMITH

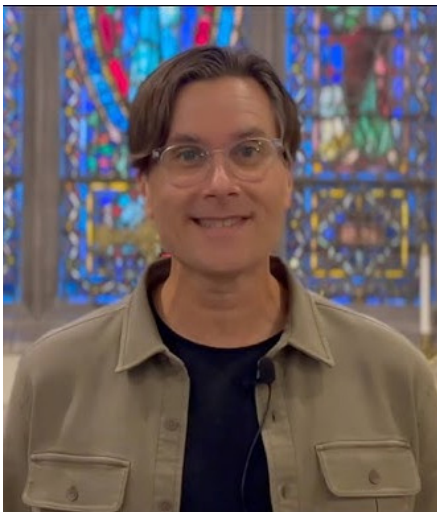
Paige Halpin Smith serves as the Director of Philanthropy for the Lexington Public Library where she leads the Lexington Public Library Foundation and raises money to support innovative projects and initiatives. After earning a Master's Degree in U.S. History from Loyola University Chicago, Paige began working in philanthropy. She has since worked in fundraising for local nonprofits and political campaigns, and is a member of the Advisory Board of The Arboretum, State Botanical Garden of Kentucky. She is an alumna of New Leaders Council Kentucky and Leadership Lexington. Paige and her husband Henry love taking their two young kids to new parks and visiting libraries everywhere they travel.

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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.



JASON THMPSON

I am married to Catherine and have six children from a previous marriage. I spent the first half of my adult life pursuing a career in religion and theology. In 2011, I moved to Lexington to start a new journey in entrepreneurship. Since then, I have been blessed to be part of starting and operating businesses in the restaurant and entertainment industry. I started attending Christ Church five years ago, and I hope to serve this community as well as it serves me.



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.