

## 2017 Vestry Nominees

The Vestry Nominees were asked to submit a photo and answer the following questions.

1. How long have you been attending Christ Church?
2. In what ways have you been involved at Christ Church?
3. Why would you like to serve on the Vestry of Christ Church?

Below are the answers to these questions along with a photograph of the Nominee.

Vestry Elections will be held on January 11, 2015 during the Annual Parish meeting to be held immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship service.



Allan Dear

I have been a member in good standing of Christ Church, Valdosta, since 1984.

My involvement includes but is not limited to: EV –Eucharistic visitor and LEM and acolyte, choir member, musician, Habitat for Humanity house build chair, search committee, vestry, Cursillo weekend leader and commission, Tomberlin house committee, special real estate property committee member for acquisition of: 3-college street homes, Louttit Hall and rectory, church workdays and special events, chair of Time Capsule comm.

To be a part and a leader of the mission of Christ Church where Christ wants us to go.

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Charlie Cosey

My wife and I have been attending Christ Episcopal church for 9 years. We took our confirmation class in 2006 and began attending in January of 2006.

In 2009 we became involved in the Episcopal Campus Christian Ministries and served the students for 1 year as mentors. We enjoyed work with Rev Tar and the students at VSU. I have also been an usher for the last 8 years. I joined the men in Blue almost as soon as we started attending Christ Church and love spending time and cooking for the various events for our church.

Serving on the church vestry is an opportunity to serve my church and play a part in helping our church continue to grow and stay relevant in our community.



Sallie Honeycutt

I have been active at Christ church for over six years.

I'm a member of the choir, altar guild, the hospitality committee, a coffee hour host, lunch bunch, and deliver altar flowers when needed.

I've been in the Episcopal Church since I was five, being confirmed at 13. Throughout the years I've attended six different parishes, ranging from high church to low and have seen the many changes in the church. I would like to share ideas and experiences and help serve the church in any way possible.



Ann Kasun

I have been a member of Christ Church family for a little over 5 years.

My service includes teaching Sunday school, serving on the Stewardship Committee, and helping develop a draft policy for Memorial Gifts for the Vestry. Currently I serve on the Communications Committee, and as a lay Eucharistic Visitor.

I believe my professional experience provides me with the skills to build consensus and find win/win solutions to the challenges we face moving forward.



Rena Nelson

Membership:

- Confirmed in 2002
- Son, John Nelson, baptized in 2003

Activities:

- Sunday School
- Vacation Bible School
- Wednesday Night Bible Study
- Acolyte
- Lay Reader
- Altar Guild

God has blessed us with Father Dave and his family; they have brought an infectious new energy to our church. However, one man cannot steer a church alone. As our church grows and changes we need more members to take leadership positions who want to honor the past, yet embrace the future. I believe new ideas and fresh perspectives will help us to better serve Christ and our community going forward. If placing me on the Vestry can help us become a better church, I would be honored to serve.

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Dottie Pitts

I joined Christ Episcopal Church in 1974. In 1983 I went to St. Barnabas to help get it established. I returned to Christ Church in 1996.

At Christ Church I have served on the hospitality committee in the past and on the Stewardship committee this year. I was on staff at Cursillo # 30 and #50. Our reunion group has met faithfully since Cursillo #18. We became involved in hosting a Christmas party for The Brothers Two half way house for many of those years.

This is an exciting time in our Christ Church family. It would be an honor to be a helpful part of all that is going on.



Dick Saeger

I attended Christ Church off and on for several years before joining in 1992.

I have been a member of the St. Gregory Choir since joining in 1992. I have been involved with the Men in Blue, when not experiencing a conflict with choir responsibilities. I have served one previous term on the vestry. I have been Christ Church's representative to the Habitat for Humanity's Church Relations Committee for many years. I have helped to organize the Church's Oktoberfest celebration each year since I joined the church in 1992. While the musical liturgy of the Episcopal Church is perhaps the most beautiful in

all of Christendom, it may also be a factor leading to disharmony in the church, if differences regarding musical preferences are not heard and considered by the vestry. At times, our music leaders have felt that their contributions to worship are taken for granted, ignored, or even disdained by some members of the congregation. Not everyone hears the same "joyful noise". I am not a one-issue candidate, but insuring that all sacred musical preferences are respected would be the primary emphasis of my candidacy.

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Lucille Sineath

I grew up in Christ Episcopal Church, having been baptized in 1945, confirmed in 1958, and married in 1967. For 24 years I attended a church of another denomination, but really missed the reverence of the Episcopal Church. In 1991 I divorced and came back to Valdosta and to Christ Church. Then in 1997 Bill and I were married in this church.

For some time I was on the Altar Guild, but currently I am not. I help in the church nursery, am a member of Daughters of King and attend Thursday morning communion, and Willa the Valencia's Bible Study.

I love Christ Church and if I can be of service, by serving on the Vestry, I would love the opportunity to give back to Christ Church the love and support which I've received these many years.



I have been a member of Christ Church for more than 50 years.

I have been a long term Altar Guild team member, and have served on the Building Committee.

I am glad to serve my church in any way I am needed. I love Christ Church

Anne Singletary

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I first attended in '07 and have been a member since '08.

I work with the Jr. Warden with building repairs, make the burial urns, dig and fill for funerals in the burial garden, served on the Stewardship Campaign, Acolyte, High school Sunday school teacher.

I love Christ Church and to serve God.

Paul Stevenson



**Nikki Yarbrough**

I was baptized into the Christ Church family as an infant. With the exception of nine years when away at medical school and residency training, I have called Christ Church my home. Through the years I have served my God and His church in various ways. I have been an acolyte, Happening participant/staffer, Sunday school teacher, Lay Eucharistic Minister and Lay Reader. Most recently I've served on the Search Committee, altar guild, as a nursery worker, "back up" Sunday school teacher and rising DOK member. I am honored to be nominated to serve on the vestry. I feel that it is important to remember the past as we move ahead in our walk with our brothers and sisters in Christ.