

"So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip us for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ." *Ephesians 4:11-13* 

Dear Members of Holy Trinity Parish,

The Nominating Committee of the Vestry is pleased to present the Slate of Nominees for Wardens, Vestry, and Delegates to Diocesan Convention.

We thank everyone who submitted names for consideration and we were blessed by all who have agreed to serve.

As we continue to navigate through the challenges and opportunities presented by the continuing and evolving COVID pandemic, including our transition needs and search for a new Rector, our deliberations were guided by our faith, best practices in Vestry development, and discerning the leadership talents and qualities needed in the Vestry for the coming years. Specifically:

- Representation of a diversity of voices for the parish
- Empowering and cultivating new leadership and new opportunities for parishioner engagement
- Specific skills, talents, and qualities needed to address the challenges ahead, with new thinking and creativity.

Being on Vestry is a sacred ministry of the Body of Christ, a manifestation of our relationship with God, and an offering of unique talents in the service of the Lord.

We believe you will agree with us, that the nominees presented are eminently qualified as faithful ministers of Christ, who will lead the parish forward on our journey with creativity, grace, faith, deliberation, and with open hearts to discern how God is calling us to respond.

Although the Holy Trinity By-laws allow for nominations from the floor, as has been done in past Annual Meetings, both to simplify voting, and especially to show steadfast support for those committing to serve, we anticipate this slate of nominees to be voted on by an uncontested acclamation of voice vote.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jr. Warden, John Harper (<a href="mailto:johnharper54@gmail.com">johnharper54@gmail.com</a>) or Interim Rector, the Rev. Terri Thornton (revtjthornton@gmail.com)

Yours in Christ.

John Harper Junior Warden

Chair, Parish Nominating Committee

## **Report of the Nominating Committee**

The Nominating Committee met on three occasions via online Zoom meeting following the March 7, 2021 deadline for nominations from members of the Holy Trinity Parish for nominees for Wardens, Vestry, and Delegates to Convention.

We were blessed to have been provided with excellent candidates for the open positions and present to you the following nominees. Each of the nominees below have consented to their nomination, and we thank them for agreeing to serve.

This slate will be presented to the Parish at the Annual Parish Meeting, March 21, 2021. Although the Holy Trinity By-laws allow for nominations from the floor at that meeting, we expect this slate to be voted on (approved and accepted) uncontested.

Many thanks, John Harper Chair, Parish Nominating Committee

**NOMINEES** 

Senior Warden Peter Lindsay Junior Warden: John Harper

Vestry Class of 2024:

Kathy Mohylsky Karen Schilling Jessica Sparks

## Delegates:

Margaret Smith Warren Mason Sterling Williams Stephanie Southard

Alternate Delegates to Convention:

Lisa Herrman Ken Grabach

The following serve as appointed offices of the Parish:

Clerk of the Vestry: Stacey Peterson
Treasurer: Jim Michael
Assistant Treasurer: Jack Southard

Remaining members of the Vestry

Term ending at 2022 Annual Meeting Ellen Reister \*(resigned eff. 2/8/2021) Ken Grabach Bonnie Mason

Term ending at 2023 Annual Meeting
Margaret Smith
Glenn Julian
Rosalyn Benson

## **2021 Election Procedures**

At the opening of the 2021 Annual Parish Meeting, the bylaws of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church will be amended to allow for motions, nominations and voting via online participation. With that in mind, Warden, Vestry, and Convention Delegate election will proceed as follows:

<u>Voice vote for Senior Warden</u> – Signify by verbal "aye" "nay" or "abstain." Abstentions will be noted by the Clerk of the Vestry. If there is more than one nay vote the chair will move to roll-call vote, and the Clerk will call out voting participants by name for a vote of aye, nay, or abstain. If the nays have it, the nominee is rejected.

<u>Voice Vote for Junior Warden</u> – Signify by verbal "aye" "nay" or "abstain." Abstentions will be noted by the Clerk of the Vestry. If there is more than one nay vote the chair will move to roll-call vote, and the Clerk will call out voting participants by name for a vote of aye, nay, or abstain. If the nays have it, the nominee is rejected.

<u>Vestry Class of 2024</u> – voice vote for the slate of nominees in total. Signify by verbal "aye" "nay" or "abstain." Abstentions will be noted by the Clerk of the Vestry. If there is more than one nay vote the chair will move to roll-call vote, and the Clerk will call out voting participants by name for a vote of aye, nay, or abstain. If the nays have it, the whole of the Vestry nominees are rejected.

<u>Delegates to Convention</u> -- voice vote for the slate of nominees in total. Signify by verbal "aye" "nay" or "abstain." Abstentions will be noted by the Clerk of the Vestry. If there is more than one nay vote the chair will move to roll-call vote, and the Clerk will call out voting participants by name for a vote of aye, nay, or abstain. If the nays have it, the whole of the Delegate nominees are rejected.

Alternate Delegates to Convention -- voice vote for the slate of nominees in total. Signify by verbal "aye" "nay" or "abstain." Abstentions will be noted by the Clerk of the Vestry. If there is more than one nay vote the chair will move to roll-call vote, and the Clerk will call out voting participants by name for a vote of aye, nay, or abstain. If the nays have it, the whole of the Alternate Delegates nominees are rejected.

\* NOTE: Ellen Reister (term expiring 2022) resigned from Vestry Feb 8, 2021, after the Nominating Committee Report (January 15, 2021; mailed January 21, 2021) was published. As this meets the definition of "in-year" vacancy, the Vestry will meet to appoint a member to fill the remaining term according the Bylaws for in-year vacancies.

## In the Event of Nominations from the Floor

According to the Bylaws of Holy Trinity Church (Article IV, Section 3) "Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the Annual Parish Meeting, provided that each nominee is eligible and has consented to the nomination." As the 2021 Annual Parish Meeting is an online virtual meeting, there is no practical or viable method for review of eligibility, qualifications, verification, and consent by the nominating committee in real time, preventing the Nominating Committee from fulfilling its obligations, nor for members of the parish to vote with confidentiality.

Therefore, should any nomination for any position or slate be contested by a submission from the floor, the voting for that contested position or slate will be suspended to provide for a review by the committee. Voting for the succeeding positions will continue. Paper ballots, with voting instructions, will be mailed to each member of the Parish by Tuesday, March 23, 2021, for any contested position or slate to be returned to the Rev. Dcn. David Guilfoyle, postmarked no later than Tuesday, March 30, 2021. The Rev. Dcn. Guilfolye will tabulate the votes and present the results to the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will announce the results of the vote no later than Tuesday, April 6, 2021.

Nominations from the floor will be considered as follows:

<u>Senior Warden</u> – If there is a nomination from the floor, it will be recorded by the Clerk of the Vestry and the Chair suspend in-meeting voting for that position, and a paper ballot will be mailed, per the above.

<u>Junior Warden</u> – If there is a nomination from the floor, it will be recorded by the Clerk of the Vestry and the Chair will suspend in-meeting voting for that position and a paper ballot will be mailed, per the above.

<u>Vestry Class of 2024</u> -- If there is a nomination from the floor, it will be recorded by the Clerk of the Vestry and the Chair will suspend in-meeting voting and a paper ballot will be mailed, per the above.

<u>Delegates to Convention</u> – If there is a nomination from the floor, it will be recorded by the Clerk of the Vestry and the Chair will suspend in-meeting voting and a paper ballot will be mailed, per the above.

<u>Alternate Delegates to Convention</u> -- If there is a nomination from the floor, it will be recorded by the Clerk of the Vestry and the Chair will suspend in-meeting voting and a paper ballot will be mailed, per the above.