



2024 Nominees



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2024 Nominations Overview

Diocesan Council: Lay

- 1 Lay: First Coast West Region (3-Year Term)
- 1 Lay: Santa Fe Region (3-Year Term)

Diocesan Council: Clergy

- 1 Clergy (3-Year Term)



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2024 Nominations Overview

Disciplinary Board

- 2 Clergy and 1 Lay (3-Year Terms)

Standing Committee

- 1 Clergy and 1 Lay (3-Year Terms)

Sewanee Board of Trustees

- 1 Lay (3-Year Term)



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Diocesan Council

Diocesan Council Nominees at a Glance

Name	Parish, City	Region
<i>Lay Nominees (Elect 2: 1 First Coast West, 1 Santa Fe)</i>		
Glenn Guiler	St John's Cathedral, Jacksonville	First Coast West
Dorothy Young-Holder	St. Philip's, Jacksonville	First Coast West
Kristen Bryant	Trinity, Gainesville	Santa Fe
Melinda Moses	St. James, Lake City	Santa Fe
<i>Clergy Nominees (Elect 1)</i>		
The Rev. Charlie Erkman	Holy Comforter, Crescent City	River Region
The Rev. Charlie Holt	St. Marks, Ortega	First Coast West
The Rev. Deacon Annette Sines	St. Peter's, Fernandina	First Coast East
The Rev. Michael Snider	St. Joseph's, Newberry	Santa Fe Region

Diocesan Council

Lay Nominees

Diocesan Council: Lay Nominees (First Coast West)



Glenn Guiler

St. John's Cathedral, Jacksonville

Biography:

Glenn is a member of St John's Cathedral and is serving his second term on its vestry. Glenn has taken leadership roles in current and previous parishes in the fields of development, capital campaigns, creation and retirement of church facilities and vision casting and clergy search processes.

Born into the church, he is the son of an Air Force Chaplain. His commitment to seek and serve all persons is a lifelong thread in his walk with Christ. Glenn is drawn to big holy audacious goals supported by his beatitude of "blessed are the flexible."

Why would you like to serve?

I believe that God has called me to serve Him and this diocese in His holy work. My experience in management, administration and solution seeking while striving for consensus will help our diocese as we discern a path forward together.



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Diocesan Council: Lay Nominees (First Coast West)



Dorothy Young-Holder

St. Philip's, Jacksonville

Biography:

Dorothy Young-Holder has been a communicant and active ministry partner at St. Philip's, Jacksonville since 2002. She is currently a member of the Vestry where she serves as Clerk. She serves in several leadership roles within the parish and was elected Diocesan President of the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) for 2021-23 and is now advisor to the current president.

Why would you like to serve?

My experience as the ECW Diocesan President led me to recognize my desire to work with the variety of churches across large and small, metropolitan, and rural and developing communities in our diocese. Membership on the Diocesan Council provides an opportunity to objectively listen carefully, be heard and take part in leadership to meet the needs of our diocese.



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Diocesan Council: Lay Nominees (Santa Fe)



Kristen Bryant
Trinity, Gainesville

Biography:

Kristen Bryant has attended Holy Trinity with her husband and two children since 2006. Kristen became involved in the Sunday School Ministry in 2008 and eventually served as the Director of Children and Youth Ministries for 7.5 years, until 2019. Kristen and her team were able to build a thriving ministry for the young people at Holy Trinity. It was especially wonderful connecting the HT children and youth to a variety of other parish ministries. Currently, she is president of Love Out Loud, the LGBTQ+ ministry at Holy Trinity, which raises awareness and advocates for our parish and diocese to be affirming of all God's children. For the last 5 years, Kristen has served the Gainesville City Commission. She recently earned a promotion to City Clerk, a Charter Officer, managing public meetings utilizing parliamentary procedure. She helps neighbors navigate city processes to receive city services, address concerns, and volunteer for boards that will positively impact their community. In her spare time, Kristen has helped distribute food to those in need, hosts a Facebook group to encourage, enrich, and connect local Episcopalians, and manages a weekly free 5K run/walk focused on helping people into an active lifestyle.

Why would you like to serve?

I want to serve on the Diocesan Council to further my commitment to fostering inclusive and supportive communities within the Episcopal Diocese of Florida. My experience in ministry leadership and community service has equipped me with a deep understanding of parish needs and a strong desire to contribute to the diocese's mission.



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Diocesan Council: Lay Nominees (Santa Fe)



Melinda Moses

St. James, Lake City

Biography:

Melinda has worshipped at St. James in Lake City for 18 years serving as Jr. Warden; Eucharistic Minister; as well as serving on the Priest Search, Parish Hall Construction and Christian Formation Committees. She has been very active in her community, elected to Lake City Council for 12 years, Board of Trustees at Lake City Community College, and CARC Board for 28 years. As an educator for 40 years from teacher to guidance counselor to principal she has a lifelong wealth of experiences in dealing with people and difficult situations with grace and respect.

Why would you like to serve?

When I came to the Episcopal Church almost 20 years ago, I found a place of loving, caring, non-judgmental people serving God. I would be honored to serve the Diocese as we navigate our challenges using the gifts God has given me through my life and career.



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Diocesan Council: Clergy Nominees



The Rev. Charlie Erkman

Holy Comforter, Crescent City

Biography:

The Rev. Charlie Erkman is the Vicar of the Church of the Holy Comforter in Crescent City and serves Emmanuel Church in Welaka. He has served large and small Episcopal parishes and has been an Acolyte, Vestry member and Lay leader in New Jersey and Florida. Fr. Charlie's background is in business, mostly in the natural gas industry. He studied for ordination through the Bishop's Institute and was ordained a Priest June 12, 2022. He led Holy Comforter as a Lay Person and then Deacon for two years prior to his ordination. Fr. Charlie and his wife Patty have nine children and love camping and fishing.

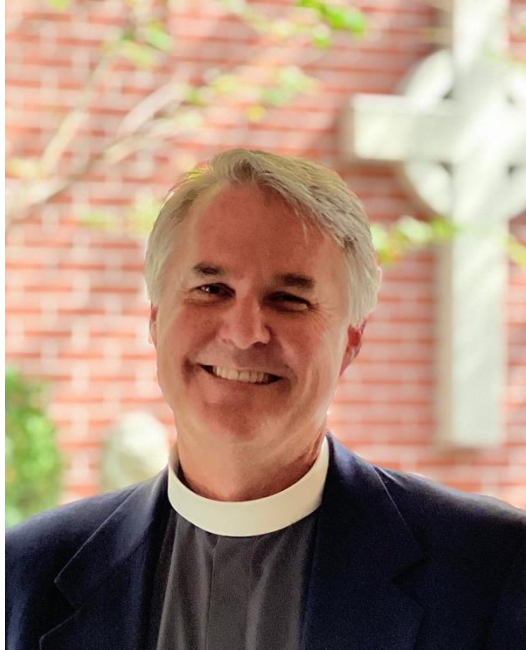
Why would you like to serve?

I would like to serve because I believe that Jesus calls us to embrace all people in his name. My experience in business and as a local Priest of a rural church, affords me a unique outlook on the Diocese and our place in the Kingdom of God.



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Diocesan Council: Clergy Nominees



The Rev. Charlie Holt

St. Marks, Ortega

Biography:

The Rev. Charlie Holt is the Rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Jacksonville. With over 27 years of experience, he has served congregations in Houston, Texas; Lake Mary, Florida; and Charlotte, North Carolina. Passionate about the worldwide Church, he aims for reconciliation, reformation, and renewal for a vital Gospel mission. Fr. Holt is also the founder of Bible Study Media and has authored eight books, including "Draw Near: Hebrews on Christian Worship." He is dedicated to serving the church and the community, and he and his wife, Brooke, have three adult children.

Why would you like to serve?

The Diocese of Florida has tremendous opportunities to fulfill the Great Commission as we serve one of the fastest-growing populations in the country with global connectivity. To realize this potential for spreading the Gospel, the administrative functions of the Diocesan office and ministries need to be financially and organizationally strong and healthy; to that end, I am enthusiastic about supporting our church's mission and promoting faithful stewardship of our resources.



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The Rev. Deacon Annette Sines

St. Peter's, Fernandina

Biography:

The Rev. Deacon Annette Sines lives in Fernandina Beach where she serves at St. Peter's. Prior to entering into Holy Orders, Dn. Annette worked in retail and mortgage banking and finance for over a decade. She completed a MS in Organizational Leadership and a BS in Business Administration with a concentration in Management. She currently serves on the Convention Committee on Charter and Canons and co-facilitates the Bishop's Institute Deacon School. Dn. Annette is passionate about mission work and pilgrimage. She is married to LCDR Jeread Sines USN (Ret.), and they have one son: Cooper, a college student in Georgia.

Why would you like to serve?

I feel that serving on the Diocesan Council would allow me to faithfully serve a diocese and a Church I love. Good governance is vitally important to the health and growth of the diocese. I believe my God given spiritual gifts and talents paired with my secular career experience would be an asset to the position.



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The Rev. Michael Snider

St. Joseph's, Newberry

Biography:

The Rev. Michael Snider married his college sweetheart Penny in 2000. They are the proud parents of Robby (22), Eli (21), Chris (19), and Matthew (17). Their sons' accolades include New Beginnings JWA, Happening Rector, Camp Weed Staff, and Eagle Scout. Fr. Mike graduated from Sewanee in 2006 and was ordained in 2007. He has served parishes in Tennessee, West Virginia and Florida. Diocesan responsibilities include Vicar to Highland Education Project Welsh, WV, Grace Mission Tallahassee, Stewardship committee, Cursillo council, summer camp dean, and Diocesan Council. Fr. Mike takes great delight in supporting his wife's ministries, maintaining friendships, and trying to keep his woodshop organized.

Why would you like to serve?

I would like to serve because I believe my gifts and experiences are a good fit for the needs of the Diocesan Council. When I last served on a diocesan council all parties involved were blessed.



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Disciplinary Board

Disciplinary Board Nominees at a Glance

Name	Parish, City	Region
<i>Lay Nominees (Elect 1)</i>		
Jenell Flynn	St. George, Jacksonville	First Coast East
Judy Shipman	Holy Comforter, Tallahassee	Apalachee
<i>Clergy Nominees (Elect 2)</i>		
The Rev. Matt Marino	Trinity Parish, St. Augustine	River
The Rev. Joanie Cruce	St. Mary's, Madison	Apalachee



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Disciplinary Board: Lay Nominees



Jenell Flynn

St. George, Jacksonville

Biography:

Jenell lives in Jacksonville, Florida where she was born and raised. She's a native - a hometown girl and she tells people she's Jenny from Jax. Jenell has been churched from a very young age and attended the Baptist church most of her life but in 1988 she attended Midnight Mass at St. John's Cathedral in downtown Jacksonville and was hooked.

She then took and attended confirmation classes and then became a confirmed Episcopalian and has never looked back or regretted that decision. At St. John's Cathedral, she became involved with helping out with the youth group for many years. She now attends church at St. George Episcopal Church on Ft. George Island in Jacksonville and is honored to serve as a Vestry member.

Why would you like to serve?

I really truly believe that God is calling me to serve and to use my gifts not only at my home parish but the larger diocese and there is no greater gift than to take what God has given you and to share it.



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Judy Shipman

Holy Comforter, Tallahassee

Biography:

Originally from Pennsylvania, Judith (Judy) Shipman is a long time Tallahassee resident and has worshipped at Holy Comforter Episcopal Church for more than forty years. She has served on the vestry, as both Junior and Senior Warden and is currently president of the Mary and Martha Chapter of the Daughters of the King. Judy is a retired social worker who has worked in the hospital and hospice settings. She is a widow with one son and one grandson.

Why would you like to serve?

My desire to be of service has been a guiding force in my life, instilled in me by my parents. My social work background has taught me that there are multiple sides to every situation, and I believe I could look at a disciplinary issue through a prayerful and impartial lens.

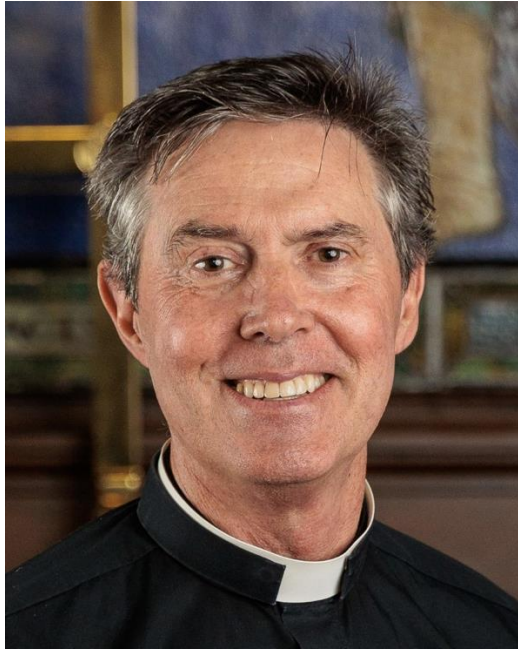


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Clergy Nominees

Disciplinary Board: Clergy Nominees



The Rev. Matt Marino

Trinity Parish, St. Augustine

Biography:

The Rev. Matt Marino lives in downtown St. Augustine because he loves living at the heart of his city. He is passionate about raising up disciples in the Anglican rhythms of Word, Table, and Story and is excited about the second campus they are building in growing St. Johns County. Fr. Matt has a background in youth, young adults, and church planting. Formerly at a large parish in Texas and on diocesan staff in Arizona, he has a Masters in Leadership from Arizona State and did divinity work at Fuller Seminary, Phoenix Seminary, and Church Divinity School of the Pacific, where he also taught for a time.

Why would you like to serve?

I feel a calling to serve in the wider diocese to help us focus on what unites us as Episcopalians: preaching the Bible, praying the Prayer Book, and loving all those our churches can get our arms around in our own contexts.



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The Rev. Joanie Cruce

St. Mary's, Madison

Biography:

The Rev. Joanie Cruce, St. Mary's Madison, FL, hails from Jacksonville, Florida. She has worshiped at St. Mary's Madison, Florida for the past nine years. Post high school, she received her undergraduate nursing degrees in Florida and earned a graduate Master of Nursing Degree in Baltimore, Maryland. She is Board Certified in Ambulatory Care Nursing. Rev. Cruce currently serves in a bi-vocational capacity, actively working as a VA Nurse Manager serving the Veterans of North Florida/South Georgia with the Department of Veterans Affairs. Prior to ordination, she served as a vestry/mission board member, LEM, Daughters of the King chapter president, Altar Guild, ECW, and volunteer Registered Nurse for the Shepherds Hands Medical Clinic of the Suwannee Valley.

Why would you like to serve?

Our Lord has blessed me, gifted me, and equipped me to serve him in my home church as well our Diocese and beyond. With God's help it would be my pleasure to serve on the Diocese Disciplinary Board with gratitude and motivation.



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Standing Committee

Standing Committee Nominees at a Glance

Name	Parish, City	Region
<i>Lay Nominees (Elect 1)</i>		
Bob Hood	Holy Communion, Hawthorne	River
John Curington	St. Mark's, Palatka	River
Paul Van Brunt	Christ Church, Ponte Vedra Beach	First Coast East
Gary Bragg	All Saints, Jacksonville	First Coast East
<i>Clergy Nominees (Elect 1)</i>		
The Rev. Javon Seaborn	St. Gabriel's, Jacksonville	First Coast West
The Rev. Keith Oglesby	Supply / Retired	First Coast West
The Rev. Bob Goolsby	St. Thomas, Palm Coast	River



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Standing Committee: Lay Nominees



Bob Hood

Holy Communion, Hawthorne

Biography:

Mr. Bob Hood lives in rural Melrose on ten acres. He enjoys the retreat daily from his busy life. His location is a short drive to 5 Episcopal churches. He has been active at Trinity Melrose, St. Marks Starke and is Senior Warden at Church of the Holy Communion Hawthorne. He has served 7 years on the Diocesan Cursillo Council. He is a Licensed Lay Worship Leader and served on the Steering Committee conducting the Convocations for the Diocese. He serves the wider community as a mediator for the Attorney General's Office.

Why would you like to serve?

Over the last year I have felt the Holy Spirit was calling me to do more for the wider Church and especially the “smaller” churches in our Diocese. I feel my experience as a mediator and serving on the Steering Committee will be put to greater use on the Standing Committee during this challenging time in our Diocese.



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John Curington
St. Mark's, Palatka

Biography:

John grew up in Neptune Beach. He attended Bishop Kenny High School and graduated from Florida Presbyterian College (now Eckerd) in 1971 with a BS in Economics. Upon graduating he joined the Prudential Real Estate Investment Office in Jacksonville where he worked two years before going out on his own. The next 35 years he continued in real estate activities and started several small businesses. He was a founding board member of the San Marco Preservation Society. He lives in Ponte Vedra where he was a member of Christ Church until he transferred to St. Mark's, Palatka where he has a home. He is immediate past senior warden at St. Mark's. Currently he is semi-retired, principally involved in running the Ponte Vedra Croquet Club.

Why would you like to serve?

As a life-long, successful businessman I would like to bring my expertise to the Diocesan structures, helping churches grow and move forward in missions. I especially want to see the mission of Camp Weed and the Cervený Conference Center move to a sustainable operation where it prospers as a place for churches, young people, individuals and organizations to know and grow in the knowledge of Lord; body, soul, mind and spirit.



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Paul Van Brunt

Christ Church, Ponte Vedra Beach

Biography:

Paul worships at Christ Church, Ponte Vedra where he is a lector. In the diocese, he has served as a convention delegate, served on the Camp & Conference Center Advisory Board and Communications Committee. He has been a vestry member, chaired the retired clergy benefit committee, and was a member of the Cathedral Finance Committee as well as the Cathedral Early Learning Center as founding trustee and treasurer. On Long Island, Paul served on diocesan council, was chair of the Department of Program, member of Department of Budget, and on the Camp Board of Managers as treasurer & vice president. He has served the wider church as a deputy to General Convention (FL: 3 times & LI: 2 times), as the President of the House of Deputies Representative to the Standing Commission on Stewardship & Development and served on its Legislative Committee at two conventions. He has also served as assistant secretary on the Privilege & Courtesy Legislative committee.

Why would you like to serve?

I feel called to use the gifts God has entrusted me with for the betterment of our diocese and believe my experience volunteering and working in the church can be helpful as we continue to move forward as diocese in its mission and ministry.



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Gary Bragg

All Saints, Jacksonville

Biography:

Gary Bragg is conscientious and committed to the crusade for Christ. Since his Confirmation he has served the church as an usher, study group leader, group member of MOAS and ROMEO, as well as a vestry member, including both Junior and Senior Warden. He is also a lay delegate to Diocesan Convention. He helped lead the "Bible In 90 Days" program and since then, he has made a concentrated effort into a deep dive for more religious education by starting out at the Book of Revelation and working back through all segments for studies with the congregation. He was an active leader for The Dale Carnegie programs for over 30 years. As president of a 120-member condo association, he leads a campus beautification program and manages all the financial resources. He is an active member of a 12-step program for 30 years and has worked with hundreds of people on self-improvement and a new way of living. He is not just a joiner – he is a doer.

Why would you like to serve?

I am well positioned to represent the will of our people with the support of the clergy, lay leadership and congregation. Armed with strong leadership skills, I am ready to follow any path set before me to answer God's will for our people.



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Standing Committee: Clergy Nominees



The Rev. Javon Seaborn

St. Gabriel's, Jacksonville

Biography:

The Rev. Javon Seaborn grew up in Miami in a very diversified Episcopal/Anglican West Indian home. He attended South Ridge Senior High School, graduated, and went to the U.S. ARMY to serve initially as a computer programmer. After his nine-year stint Fr. Javon accepted a Green to Gold Scholarship at Florida International University/University of Miami. While in the ROTC program Fr. Javon received his call to ministry and upon graduating, he decided to attend Virginia Union School of Theology in Virginia. While Fr. Javon was in seminary, he was commissioned to the rank of 2nd Lt and enrolled in the U.S. ARMY Chaplain Candidate Program. Upon graduating from seminary and the Medical College of Virginia CPE program Fr. Javon received orders to Fort Stewart Georgia to go to Iraq immediately for 15-month deployment. Fr. Javon has served in the U.S. ARMY over 25 years and has deployed six times to the Middle East. Fr. Javon has been the Senior Pastor of more than ten chapels and has started six of those ten. He retired in 2021 at the rank of Major from the U.S. ARMY Drone School as the Command Chaplain. Since Fr. Javon has retired, he mentors over twenty chaplains' various ranks and is the vicar for St Gabriel's Episcopal Church.

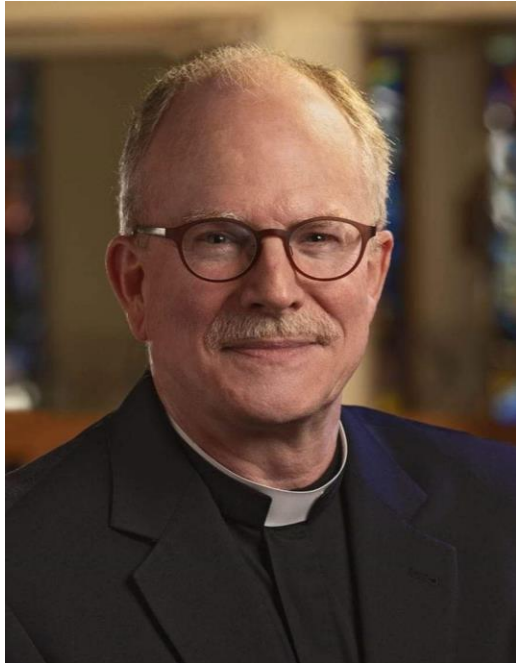
Why would you like to serve?

My experience as a U.S. ARMY chaplain can certainly provide valuable leadership and skills to our diocese. The principles of servant leadership I practiced—such as empathy, humility, and a focus on the well-being of others—align well with the needs of our diocese. Additionally, the organizational, strategic, and crisis-management skills I developed in the military can help address the complex challenges that our diocese often face day to day. This is why I want to serve.



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The Rev. Keith Oglesby

Supply Clergy / Retired

Biography:

The Rev. Keith Oglesby was called to serve Christ Church, Ponte Vedra Beach in early 2019. Before that he served as rector of Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit in the Diocese of Atlanta. During his nine-plus years there, the parish almost doubled in size. Fr. Keith also served as a convocational dean for Bishop Wright and helped develop the Diocese's strategic plan. Before ordination, Fr. Keith worked in leadership for companies such as FedEx. Since retiring in late 2023, he is enjoying more time with his wife Lynn and their family and friends and serving as a supply priest and mentor.

Why would you like to serve?

Fr. Keith has discerned two reasons he feels called to serve as a member of the Standing Committee—first, he has extensive experience to offer the Diocese as a leader in environments where there are people with different beliefs, identities, and responsibilities; and working to bring them together for a common purpose. Second, he believes the church is being faithful when we pray, listen to each other, and come together to demonstrate God's love for us in Christ by how we love one another and our neighbors.



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Standing Committee: Clergy Nominees



The Rev. Canon Bob Goolsby

St. Thomas, Palm Coast

Biography:

The Rev. Canon Bob Goolsby currently serves as the rector of St. Thomas in Palm Coast. Fr. Bob served two parishes in the Diocese of Texas before coming to the Diocese of Florida in 2018, when he was appointed Canon of the River Region. Within this role he also serves on the Diocesan Council. As Co-Chairperson of the Transition Committee, Fr. Bob helped lead a talented team of Episcopalians to prepare the diocesan community for the bishop election. He also currently serves as president of the Disciplinary Board.

Why would you like to serve?

My experience and ministry of leadership and collaboration has prepared me to serve the Diocese further. My gifts would serve well serving on the Standing Committee.



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Sewanee Board of Trustees

Sewanee Board of Trustees Nominees at a Glance

Name	Parish, City	Region
<i>Lay Nominees (Elect 1)</i>		
Pam Jordan Anderson	St. John's, Tallahassee	Apalachee
Courtland Eyrick	St. Mark's, Jacksonville	First Coast West



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Lay Nominees

Sewanee Board of Trustees: Lay Nominees



Pam Jordan Anderson

St. John's, Tallahassee

Biography:

Pam Jordan Anderson considers herself a Child of the Diocese of Florida having been baptized on 1.1.61 by Father Harry Douglas in St. Clement's and as Father Bob Snell's first girl acolyte. She was a camper at St. Teresa Camp Weed and on Staff during the last summer there. She graduated from Sewanee in 1981. Paul and Pam met 40 years ago while attending FSU College of Law and were married the next year (by Father Bob). Their adult children Jordan, Elizabeth, Sarah Michael, and Katherine have all been involved in the life of this Diocese. They are also the grandparents of Sam.

Why would you like to serve?

This Diocese, St. John's, and Sewanee are our family and attending Cursillo and Happening, serving on the Vestry and Stewardship Committee, and serving two terms on Standing Committee have afforded me the opportunity to give back to those who have given me so much. Using Psalm 133.1 as my guide, it would be my great honor to represent our Diocese as a Sewanee Trustee.



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Sewanee Board of Trustees: Lay Nominees



Courtland Eyrick

St. Mark's, Jacksonville

Biography:

Courtland is a Jacksonville native and a lifelong parishioner of St. Marks, Jacksonville. He has been the Junior Warden and currently serves as an adult acolyte leader and an EYC adult leader. He is also the current chair of Camp & Conference Center Advisory Board for the Diocese. Courtland is a graduate of Sewanee and has previously served as a class representative. He is employed by CBRE and lives in Jacksonville with his wife and three daughters.

Why would you like to serve?

It would be a privilege to represent our Diocese, one of the original founding Dioceses of the University, as a member of the Board of Trustees. The University and this Diocese have been integral parts of my life and I would love to honor God by giving back to both.



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