



*From every family, language, people, and nation, a kingdom of priests to serve our God.  
(Canticle 18/Revelation 5:9-10)*

# Nominations

**For positions to be elected at the 169th Annual Convention of the  
Episcopal Diocese of Milwaukee on October 7-8, 2016 in Madison, Wisconsin**

## Diocesan Treasurer

**ONE clergy or lay person to be elected to a 1-year term**

### **Clyde Bachand – Church of the Holy Communion, Lake Geneva**

Clyde Bachand is a member of Holy Communion, Lake Geneva where he has served as Junior Warden, Senior Warden, Vestry member, Treasurer (currently), choir director, and Cursillo Team member. At the diocesan level, he currently serves as Diocesan Treasurer, having been elected to that position at the 2015 diocesan convention.

Clyde holds a Bachelor of Music Education degree from UW-Madison, as well as a Master's degree in Educational Administration. He did additional graduate study at UW-Whitewater in the areas of business and school business administration. From 1979 until 2011, he worked for Filtartek, Inc. of Hebron, Illinois; starting as a staff accountant he held positions of increasing responsibility leading to senior management roles, including V.P. of South American operations and General Manager for the company's commercial filtration business unit. (Filtartek, Inc. is now owned by ITW Illinois Tool Works.) Clyde is now retired. He has been married to Linda Bachand for 48 years and says, "We are blessed with two wonderful daughters and three grandchildren."

Since retiring in December Of 2011, Clyde has focused his volunteer activities on Holy Communion Episcopal Church; besides serving as parish Treasurer, he is a member of St. Joseph's Guild, and serves as a musician. Clyde is also active in the Lake Geneva Symphony Orchestra, where he is the principal bassist.

## Executive Council

**TWO clergy and TWO lay persons to be elected to three-year terms**

### **Kristen Buterbaugh – Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry**

Ms. Buterbaugh currently serves as the Director of Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry in Whitewater, Wisconsin. She is an active lay minister at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Kenosha, Wisconsin. She has been a camp counselor for Camp Webb for three years. Previously, she served as the fourth alternate deputy for the 2015 General Convention for the Diocese of Milwaukee.

Outside of her work in the Church, Kristen has held several leadership, program development and administrative roles. She has led philanthropic and social organizations during and after college, including being President of Kappa Alpha Theta Women's Fraternity. Later, she served as Supervisor of Operation and Finance at Barnes and Noble College. Since moving to Wisconsin in 2013, Kristen has worked as a program coordinator for an international language training company and as a travel agent of a major cancer treatment institution - both positions requiring a high level of interpersonal communication and program management.

Kristin earned her bachelor's degree from Rutgers University in 2011, graduating Magna Cum Laude, and has completed course work in business communication and organizational management at Concordia University. She has been awarded membership in academic societies such as Alpha Lambda Delta and Delta Epsilon Iota.

### **Janice Watter – St. Bartholomew's, Pewaukee**

Jan Watter is an active member of St. Bartholomew's in Pewaukee where she has served in many capacities, including Senior Warden for four years, search team leader, Community of Hope leadership team, lay reader, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd assistant, and website manager. She recently completed training to be a Level 1A Catechist for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Jan also served as delegate to diocesan convention for 5 years and has been a member of diocesan Executive Council for one term.

Jan has a long history of volunteer leadership positions in the community including Embrook Education Foundation President and Scholarship Committee chairperson, Friends of the Brookfield Public Library founding member, and many school district committees and task forces.

Jan has been married to Jeffrey for 34 years and has two adult children - Ted and David; a daughter-in-law, Heather; and two grandchildren, Ellie and Max. She worked as Operations Manager at Our Next Generation for 5 years and currently works at Nashotah House seminary as director of Annual Fund and Alumni Relations.

### **The Rev. Dr. D. Jonathan Grieser – Grace, Madison**

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Jonathan holds M.Div. and Th.D. (History of Christianity) degrees from Harvard Divinity School and taught religious studies at Sewanee (the University of the South) and Furman University before entering the ministry full-time. He is married to Corrie Norman Grieser, who is Associate Director of Religious Studies at UW-Madison. In his spare time, he enjoys gardening, ballroom dancing, reading historical mysteries, biking and cat-herding.

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## **General Convention Deputy**

### **FOUR clergy and FOUR lay persons to be elected as deputies to the 2018 General Convention**

#### **Pamela Eversfield – Christ Church, Whitefish Bay**

Pamela Eversfield has been an active member of Christ Episcopal Church in Whitefish Bay since 1987. She has served in many capacities including deputy to three diocesan conventions, nominating committee member, vestry member, Junior Warden, newcomer committee chair, rector/assistant rector search committee member, Altar Guild co-chair, Eucharistic minister, Worship Center leader, high school youth leader and has participated in the high school youth group Urban Mission Trip and Appalachia Service Project trips. Currently, she is acting as altar guild member, prayer reader, handbell choir member, and Sunday school teacher.

Pam has been married to John Eversfield for 44 years and has two adult children. Pam is retired from having taught elementary school in Shorewood Public Schools for 37 years. She is currently employed part-time as parish office administrator of Christ Church. As a life-long Episcopalian, Pam is interested in learning more about the workings of the Church at the national level and would enjoy attending the General Convention as a representative of the Diocese of Milwaukee.

#### **Carlynn Higbie – Trinity, Wauwatosa**

Carlynn has been a member of Trinity, Wauwatosa, for nearly 35 years. Her parish involvement includes serving multiple terms as Sr. and Jr. Warden, vestry member, Stewardship Chair, Stewardship committee, Capitol campaign committee, Co-chair of million dollar building project, multiple children's ministries and youth leader roles, and a variety of lay ministries. Her particular areas of interest in her church life include liturgy & worship, congregational development, Christian leadership development, as well as stewardship.

Carlynn's diocesan involvement includes Camp Webb Board of Directors, Executive Director of Camp Webb, Racial Justice Task Force, Stewardship Committee, Commission on Mission and Development, Consecration Sunday Leader, Transition Committee, Co-Chair on the Diocese of Milwaukee Bishop Search Committee, Diocesan Convention Deputy,

and a member of the diocesan Misconduct Response Team. She has served as a consultant to several parishes outside of our diocese as they have initiated their recovery process from clergy misconduct. Carlynn has also attended several National Church-sponsored conferences related to stewardship and evangelism. She was a member of Episcopal Camps and Conference Centers, Inc.

Carlynn is honored to have been a member of the Milwaukee Deputation to five General Conventions, serving as co-chair for four conventions and a member of 3 General Convention Legislative Committees; Stewardship Committee, Constitution and Canons, as well as Congregational Vitality.

She and her wife, The Rev. Debra Trakel, enjoy spending time with their family and grandchildren. In her professional life, Carlynn is a pediatric occupational therapist, with expertise in school-based practice. She also provides consultation and continuing education for school therapists and school districts regarding Individualized Education Plans and Medicaid documentation practices.

### **Peter Larson – St. Paul's, Milwaukee**

Peter is an active member of St. Paul's Church, serving as Stewardship Chair for several years, on St. Paul's and Christ Church's Discernment Committees, and as a Vacation Bible School Teacher. Peter recently completed Sewanee's Education for Ministry (EfM) program. In previous churches in Minneapolis and Chicago, Peter served on the equivalent of the Vestry (10 years), as Senior Warden (5 terms), and as a Sunday School and Vacation Bible School Teacher (15 years). He has been a delegate to the Diocesan Convention, was the alternate Lay Deputy to the 2015 General Convention, and serves on the Diocesan Executive Council. If elected as a deputy to the 2018 General Convention, he will work with the deputation to bring its resources and benefits to our Parishes.

Peter is retired from his career in wealth management, in which he held professional and executive positions for major banking firms. He is skilled at strategy development and implementation, sales and presentation coaching, and in wealth planning for individuals and organizations. Peter has served on boards of several civic organizations, including the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center, Grass Roots North Shore, and the Columbia St. Mary's Community Benefit and Advisory Councils. He is a Docent at the Milwaukee Art Museum. He graduated, cum laude, from Williams College, and, with honors, from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business. He holds the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and Certified Financial Planner (CFP) designations.

Peter lives with his husband, Bill Fry, and Wheaten terrier, Lucy, in Whitefish Bay.

### **William G. Robison – Trinity, Wauwatosa**

Mr. Robison has been a part of the Diocese of Milwaukee for the past 22 years, and a member of Trinity Wauwatosa for nearly 20 years.

Active in the parish, he has served on the Vestry and as Senior Warden, on the Trinity Foundation Board, Buildings and Grounds, Outreach and Liturgical Committees, as a Deputy to the Diocesan Convention a great many times, and in nearly every lay ministry possible, including as a member of the parish choir and lay prayer ministries, and as originator and coordinator of the newcomers ministry. As a member of Trinity, he has focused his efforts on seeking ways to connect the parish and the local community in outreach and service and the role of social justice in the church, as well as reimagining spaces for worship, education and fellowship in light of new approaches to ministry and new generations walking through our front doors.

As an active member of the Diocese, Bill has served on numerous committees, including the Commission on Ministry, the Camp Webb Board, Diocesan Convention planning committee, the Commission on Architecture and Allied Arts (serving as Co-Chair), two terms on the Standing Committee, and as a deputy to the convention to elect our current bishop. He has represented the Diocese at three prior General Conventions, once as an alternate, and twice as a lay deputy, serving at this past convention as Co-Chair with the Rev. Andy Jones. This latter role was both challenging and immensely rewarding, and he felt blessed to serve with such a strong and dedicated group of deputies in Salt Lake City.

Outside the church, Bill is a member of Milwaukee Rotary, serves on the Wisconsin Library Association Foundation Board, the Executive Committee of the Wauwatosa Village BID, and recently co-chaired the Public Arts subcommittee of the Milwaukee Arts Board.

A resident of Wauwatosa, Bill and his wife of 23 years, Amanda continue work on a 1925 craftsman home that is both home and headache. Together they are raising two accomplished children; Jonah, 20 (a Bioengineering major at Clemson), and Ellen, 17 (currently planning her future), who both amaze them on a daily basis with their skill, compassion and hard work. Bill enjoys reading, bicycling, fitness, as well as cooking and woodworking, when he finds the time, and is regularly in the stands to cheer on the Bucks. He is partner in the Architectural firm Engberg Anderson, and specializes in the design of public libraries, environments for seniors, and worship spaces, work that is focused on building strong communities.

### **John Washbush – St. James', Milwaukee**

John Washbush is an active member of St. James', Milwaukee and has served the Church at the parish, diocesan and national levels. He has served as a lay deputy to the General Convention three times. At the 2015 General Convention, he served as an officer of the House of Deputies Committee on Rules of Order.

Within the parish, John serves in a wide variety of leadership, service and liturgical ministries. Presently he serves the community as parish verger/liturgy coordinator. He has been a member of the vestry, served several terms as Sr. and Jr. Warden, chaired the Stewardship Committee for several years, chaired the Building and Grounds Committee, served on the worship Planning Team, Personnel Committee, Christian Formation Committee, Communications Committee, and Technology Committee. He worked with parish outreach ministries including Sundries from the Avenue, Red Door Clothes and St. James' Homeless Outreach. John is active in liturgical ministry, serving as a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Chalice Bearer, Acolyte, and is licensed as a Eucharistic Visitor.

Beyond the parish, John serves the diocese on the Executive Council, and has served on the Standing Committee and the Commission on Ministry. He has served the diocesan convention as a member of the Resolutions Committee, Convention Planning Committee and has worked with the Committee on Constitution and Canons, the Committee on Dispatch of business, and the Committee on Credentials.

As a Communication Arts teacher at Hamilton High School in Sussex, John teaches 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students media production, oral communication, composition, and literature. After school he works with the Robotics team, the Drama program, the National Honor Society and as video coordinator for athletics programs. John has held many state offices in coaching and professional organizations, directed the Middle Level Forensic Association State tournament for nine years, and has been inducted into the Wisconsin Forensic Coaches Association and Middle Level Forensic Association Hall of Fame.

John has been married for 19 years to Mary and has one fourteen year-old daughter, Elizabeth.

### **The Rev. Martha Berger – St. Francis, Menomonee Falls**

The Very Rev. Martha Berger was ordained in the Diocese of Milwaukee and is a graduate of Nashotah House. She now serves as rector of St. Francis, Menomonee Falls and Dean of the North Convocation. She has served nine parishes in our diocese, most as intentional interim, since her ordination in 1996. She has also served in a variety of capacities on the diocesan level: Standing Committee, author of the founding resolution and first chair of the Commission on Global Reconciliation, past Board Member and Chair of the Haiti Project, member of the Commission on Racial Justice and as chaplain to Camp Webb. She serves by the bishop's appointment as a pastoral resource for fellow clergy and is currently the President of the Commission on Ministry.

In addition to the work of Deputy to General Convention in 2003 and 2009, Martha served on the Dispatch of Business Committee in 2012 and 2015 and is now a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Nominations (JSCoN). This committee is responsible for assembling slates of nominees for General Convention 2018 - for the elected Commissions, Committees, Agencies, and Boards (CCABs) of our Church. Most recently, on behalf of the JSCoN, Martha attended a diversity training workshop in Baltimore, MD.

Martha is married to Bill and they have two adult children, Roseanna and Henry. She regrets her absence at this 169<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of our diocese, as she attends the marriage of her son, Henry, to Kiersen Gray on October 8<sup>th</sup>. Martha would be honored to be elected as a deputy from the Diocese of Milwaukee to the 79<sup>th</sup> General Convention (which is required for her to continue as a member of the committees to which she has been appointed).

### **The Very Rev. Kevin Carroll – All Saints' Cathedral, Milwaukee**

The Very Rev. Kevin Carroll has served in numerous capacities at the parish and diocesan level since coming to the diocese in 1992. Before ordination Carroll served in numerous lay positions including junior warden, senior warden and parish treasurer.

Since ordination he has served on the Bishop's task force to examine the role of the Diocesan Convention; as co-chair of the planning committee for the 2004 and 2006 conventions; has received training as part of the diocese's sexual misconduct response team; trained in interim ministry; and is a graduate of the Congregational Development Institute. Kevin is a past member of the Commission for Mission and Development. He currently serves on the Standing Committee.

Father Carroll brings with him the temperament to deal fairly with people who express a broad range of opinions. He puts a great deal of stock in the Anglican concept of the *via media*; and firmly believes that all voices must be heard in the myriad of conversations that bind the life of the church together.

He also has extensive business and project experience from his "prior life", having spent 20 years in the construction industry. During his career in Atlanta, GA and Milwaukee he was responsible for the oversight of various projects including single-family subdivisions and multi-family apartment complexes. As the general manager of a local homebuilder he was responsible for managing the accounting and cash flow for a company with a multi-million dollar annual volume.

Kevin and his wife Jane have two children and live in Wauwatosa, WI. He was born in Janesville, WI; and attended elementary, middle school and high school in Beloit, WI. Carroll attended the University of Wisconsin and graduated with an engineering degree in 1984. He graduated from Nashotah House Episcopal Seminary in 2003, and on All

Saints' Day 2003 became the first priest to be ordained by Bishop Miller. He is currently serving as the dean of the All Saints' (Episcopal) Cathedral, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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### **The Rev. Dr. Miranda Hassett – St. Dunstan's, Madison**

The Rev. Dr. Miranda Hassett is the Rector of St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church in Madison, WI, where she has served for six years. In the Diocese, she has served on the Executive Council and Newala Companion Diocese Committee. She currently serves on the Commission on Mission and Development and on the board of St. Francis House Episcopal Student Ministry, and recently, at the Bishop's invitation, joined the Liturgy & Worship Commission.

Beyond the Diocese of Milwaukee, she has participated since 2014 in the Missional Leadership Cohort, a peer-learning program focused on training church leaders to understand changes in our cultural and religious landscape and encourage us to experiment with new ways of being church and connecting with our neighbors, grounded in the Gospel and our Episcopal way of faith. In her local community, she is part of a group of clergy and community leaders that seeks to reduce racial disparities and increase equity in Middleton, WI.

In 2015, Miranda served as a clergy deputy from the Diocese of Milwaukee to General Convention for the first time, and found it both demanding and exciting. She would like to serve the Diocese and the wider Church as a Deputy again in 2018 and take part in the larger conversations within our Church, having already cleared the hurdle of first-time-deputy information overload.

Miranda lives in Madison with her husband, Phil, who keeps busy tending their garden and home, and raising their kids, Griffin and Iona.

### **The Rev. Andrew B. Jones – St. Andrew's, Madison**

Fr. Andy has been the Rector of St. Andrew's, Madison since November of 2006. Since coming to the Diocese of Milwaukee from the Diocese of Maryland, Fr. Andy has served on the Commission on Ministry, the Christian Formation Task Force, and the Strategic Planning Task Force and is currently the Dean of the Madison Convocation of the Diocese of Milwaukee. Fr. Andy has participated in the Diocesan Congregational Development Institute and helped to teach at the Diocesan Vestry Training Days. He is currently serving his second term on the Diocesan Executive Council. He serves on the Steering Committee of the Haiti Project and traveled to Haiti three times in the last four years, hosting both Pere Wisnel Dejardin and Pere Jean Lenord Quatorze on their trips to visit the Diocese of Milwaukee. Fr. Andy is also serving his second term as a member of the board of the St. Francis House Episcopal Student Ministry. During his first term at Saint Francis House he helped to move the building project, which will fund

our ongoing ministry to UW students well into the future, through the labyrinthine process of project approval in Madison, for which he was awarded the Bishop's Shield in 2011 at the Diocese of Milwaukee's 164th convention in Racine, Wisconsin. Fr. Andy served as a deputy to the 2012 General Convention in Indianapolis and provided a daily chronicle of the work of convention on his blog, "A Mad City Episcopalian." Fr. Andy was elected as Lead Clergy Deputy to the 2015 General Convention held in Salt Lake City and would very much like to return to convention in 2018.

Fr. Andy and his wife, Suzanne, have been married for thirty one years and have two sons, Daniel, age 24, and Jacob, age 21. Fr. Andy graduated from Juniata College in central Pennsylvania with a BA in Music/Philosophy and earned his M.Div. cum laude from Virginia Theological Seminary in 2002.

### **The Rev. Marge Kiss – St. Thomas of Canterbury, Greendale**

As an active member of St. Luke's in Bay View, the parish that called her to ordination, Marge participated in governance at the parish level by serving on the vestry for three years and twice representing the parish as delegate to the diocesan convention. She was instrumental in forming their Outreach Committee and served on the Altar Guild, as a member of the Choir, as an acolyte, a Lay Eucharistic Minister and did home visits.

On the diocesan level, she has participated in diocesan governance by serving as the recorder of minutes for Executive Council for some ten years and more recently as Executive Secretary of the Diocese of Milwaukee. Marge records the minutes of Diocesan Convention and has held this role for nearly ten years, also actively participating in the planning and execution of our Diocesan Conventions. She also served on the planning board for the Deacon formation School as of January, 2016 as its director. As a member of the commission on Ministry, she has been involved in the discernment process for a number of our recently ordained.

Her first career was in education, as a teacher for 20 years and a principal for 5 years. Her second career was with Heritage Title Services, working as a title examiner as well as issuing final policies.

She would be a positive addition to the diocese's delegation to the 2018 General Convention, bringing her first-rate organizational skills coupled with the ability to listen to other viewpoints and communicate clearly, along with a strong background and recent experience in governance at the parish and diocesan levels.

### **The Rev. Kathy Monson Lutes – Trinity, Janesville**

Positions held and committees participated in, either at the parish or diocesan level:

Though Kathy is new to the Diocese of Milwaukee and Trinity Church in Janesville, Kathy has been very busy in her parish and her new community. Currently, she serves on the Diocesan Clergy Day planning committee. In her former Diocese of South Dakota, she served on the Youth Ministry committee. She was spiritual director at Thunderhead Episcopal Camp.

Kathy has been a Deputy to General Convention in 2006, 2009, 2012, and 2015. In 2003 and 2006, she was part of the team that planned and implemented Children in Worship at General Convention. Kathy has served on what was the Episcopal Council on Christian Education (ECCE) since 2004, and it's current iteration, Life-long Faith Formation Network.

Kathy was part of the leadership team that hosted the Taize' Pilgrimage of Hope, at Christ Church, Red Shirt Table on the Pine Ridge Reservation, and mentored Twilla Two Bulls, a leader of the Pine Ridge Reservation congregation, in the formation and priestly ordination process.

Within the Diocese of Milwaukee, Kathy is working with Jonathon Melton to gather Young Adults from around the Diocese to pilgrimage to the Taize' event in St. Louis, in 2017.

Positions held and experiences outside of the Episcopal Church:

Since coming to the Diocese of Milwaukee and Janesville, Kathy began the regular monthly meeting of the Women Clergy of Janesville. Also, she has been invited to be the Spiritual Advisor to the Crop Walk Committee for Janesville. Personal and Family information etc.

Kathy's spouse is Rick Lutes, they have two adult children, Tom and Willie. Rick previously worked at the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in the Athletic Department as the Equipment Manager. He is now working for Occupational Vocational Opportunities, as a Job Coach. Tom and his wife Amanda live in Coon Rapids, MN, where Tom is a teacher. Willie lives in Cleveland, OH, and works at the Cleveland Clinic.

Kathy wrote for and was awarded the Lily Foundation Grant for Clergy Wellness. With this grant Kathy was able to take a sabbatical with her family in the summer of 2013, where they traveled extensively, in Norway, Europe, and the UK.

Kathy received her MDiv from the Seminary of the Southwest, in Austin TX, her MAT from St. Catherine University, in St. Paul, MN, and her BS from the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

Kathy's passions are particularly around Life-long Faith Formation. She would consider it an honor to return to General Convention as a deputy from the Diocese of Milwaukee.

**The Rev. Dorota Pruski – St. Andrew's, Madison**

The Rev. Dorota Pruski has served St. Andrew's, Madison for over three years. She has been serving as the Diocesan Liturgical Coordinator for almost as long, and at the 2015 convention of the Diocese of Milwaukee was elected to the Title IV Disciplinary Board. Dorota has served the Diocese of Milwaukee as a Camp Webb chaplain, a member of the Nominating Committee, and as a co-coordinator of the 2014 Acolyte Festival. Dorota has attended the last two General Conventions, first as an assistant to Bishop Miller and the Milwaukee deputation, and later as a contributor to the Episcopal Herald, an online magazine focused on analyzing, imagining, and articulating the future of the Church. Dorota was elected as an alternate for the 2015 General Convention in Salt Lake City where she spent some time on the legislative floor. Dorota now seeks to serve the Diocese of Milwaukee as a voting deputy.

Dorota graduated from Marquette University in 2006 with a BA in Political Science and from Virginia Theological Seminary in 2013. She is an avid runner, currently training for her fifth marathon, and she is also beginning her fifth season coaching Girls on the Run in Madison.

**The Rev. David Simmons, ObjN – St. Matthias, Waukesha**

The Rev. David Simmons has served as Rector of St. Matthias Episcopal Church in Waukesha since 2008. He has a passion for fostering collaboration and seeking innovative ways to share the Gospel. He serves as the President of the Standing Committee, and as the Diocesan Ecumenical Officer. He has served as an alternate General Convention deputy in 2012 and 2015. A leader in ecumenical and interfaith issues, he serves as National President of Episcopal Diocesan Ecumenical and Interfaith Officers (EDEIO.org) and represents the diocese on the board of the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee and on the Milwaukee Lutheran-Anglican Catholic United Methodist (LARCUM) coordination group. He teaches Medieval Church History at the Diocesan School for Deacons.

David is on the steering committee of the Acts8 Movement ([acts8movement.org](http://acts8movement.org)), a missionary society that works through social media. He coordinates the Acts8 Blogforce and is a regular contributor to their efforts to provide free evangelism videos to the greater church. He is the convener of the Association of Waukesha Churches. St Matthias has become a center of leadership around issues of homelessness and low-income housing in Waukesha County and has entered an active partnership with Hebron House of Hospitality, which is headquartered at the church. David is married to his wife Micky, and has two children, Brendan and Brigid. His hobbies include Kendo, music composition, and board games.

**The Rev. Michael Tess – Church of the Good Shepherd, Sun Prairie**

The Rev. Mike Tess has been the Vicar at Good Shepherd in Sun Prairie for the last 9 years. Previous to his time at Good Shepherd, he was vicar at St. Aidan's in Hartford for six and a half years. He has been a member of the Diocesan Executive Council, Art and Architecture Committee and a member of the planning committee for diocesan clergy days as well as being a graduate of Church Development Institute (CDI). During his time at both locations, he has served on several boards, including Library, Food Pantry and Park, Recreation and Forestry. Additionally, he has started collaborations between community and parishes he has served, including Park Crawl and Police Chaplaincy and the Sunshine Ball, which is a shared collaboration between the community and Good Shepherd, which makes \$50,000 for the community's at risk and most needy families. Fr. Mike has been married to his wife, Heidi, for 18 years and has four children: Isaac, age 16; Adam, age 15; Ann, age 14; and Emily, age 13.

## Standing Committee

**ONE clergy and ONE lay person to be elected to four-year terms****Jason Loch – Grace Church, Madison**

Jason Loch is an active member of Grace Episcopal Church, Madison, Wisconsin. His family began to attend Episcopal Churches when Jason was a child and he joined Grace Church when he moved to Madison in 2007. He has been active in a number of roles at Grace, including serving as an usher and Eucharistic Minister, as well as a member of the Vestry and as Clerk of the Vestry.

He has a BA in History from Wayne State University and a MA in History from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He works as a writer and editor and tutors student athletes at UW. In his spare time, he writes speculative fiction and blogs about the British Constitution.

**Sheryl Slocum, St James', Milwaukee**

Sheryl Slocum, PhD, has been a member of St. James', Milwaukee, since 2009. She is on the vestry and endowment board, is a member of the Christian Formation team, often serves as a delegate to Diocesan Convention, and is a member of the Joyful Noise church musicians. She participates regularly in the Red Door Clothes and Sundries on the Avenue ministries. For her profession, Sheryl teaches English as a second language and also trains future teachers to do so. She is the mother of three grown children.

Sheryl's previous experience in the Diocese of Milwaukee includes 16 years as a member of Holy Communion church in Lake Geneva. She was a member of the Christian Education and music teams there and served on the vestry for



several years. Prior to Holy Communion, Sheryl was a member of St. Phillip's, Waukesha. Many years earlier, from 1982-1986, she attended St. Boniface, Mequon, and participated in the liturgical life of Nashotah House as the spouse of a seminarian. Life experience pertinent to serving on the Standing Committee includes many years as the wife of an Episcopal priest. Sheryl was confirmed as an Episcopalian in 1980 in the Black Mountain Diocese of North Carolina while working as a volunteer for the South American Mission Society of the Episcopal church. Sheryl is the mother of three grown children. Her BA (English) is from Wheaton College, IL; her MA (linguistics) is from the American University, Washington, DC; and her PhD (English linguistics) is from UW-Milwaukee. She coordinates the support for English as a second language students at Alverno College in Milwaukee.

## **Title IV Disciplinary Board**

### **ONE clergy and TWO lay persons to be elected to three-year terms**

#### **Ron Johnson – St. Francis, Menomonee Falls**

Ron Johnson is an active member of St. Francis in Menomonee Falls. He is presently serving as Junior Warden, Lay Eucharistic Minister, and Crucifer. Ron is a graduate of Community of Hope which allows him to visit nursing homes in his vicinity. He is a DCDI (Diocesan Church Development Institute) graduate and uses its tools at St Francis. Ron led a very successful capital campaign which resulted in a complete remodel of the narthex updating of the Altar area. He is also the leader of a LARCUM Group, a Ministry featuring the Churches in Menomonee Falls helping in their community. Ron promises to bring this energy for service to the Disciplinary Board. Ron is an avid golfer and is married to Shala; they have four children, eleven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

#### **Peter Wright – St. Paul's, Watertown**

A graduate of UW-Whitewater with a BBA degree in 1979 and a licensed CPA (Wisconsin) Peter Wright began his professional career at Barclays Bank/Bank of America in Kingston, Jamaica, followed by positions at Williams young & Associates, CPA's in Madison, Wisconsin and APV Crepaco in Lake Mills, WI as manager of factory accounting. Presently, he is at Arrow companies, LLC in Delavan, WI where he is a part-owner.

Mr. Wright states that his strong faith and personal commitment to Jesus Christ, determined sense of right vs. wrong, conservative focus as relates to worship and devotion to the Anglican Church were instilled at an early age by his father, the late Rev. Brian Wright and his late mother, Ethline Wright, R.N. who were tireless in their intent to raise children with a strong knowledge of and faith in God and a keen desire to serve those less fortunate than themselves, all within the realm of the Anglican Church.

Mr. Wright has been a member of several parishes in the Diocese of Milwaukee: St. Luke's, Whitewater (while a student at UW-Whitewater); St. John's in the Wilderness, Elkhorn; St. Peter's, Fort Atkinson; and now St. Paul's, Watertown where he has served as a member of the Vestry, Senior Warden, a member of the Memorials & Endowment Committee, and as sub-deacon.

## **Trustees of Funds & Endowments, Inc.**

### **TWO Lay or Clergy to be elected to three-year terms**

#### **The Rev. Jason LaVann – St. John the Divine, Burlington**

While serving as priest in charge of St. John the Divine in Burlington, I have been a part of a few diocesan teams. I have been working with a group to build a foundation in our diocese for a stronger Episcopal presence to serve the Latino/Hispanic community. I also recently began serving on our diocesan Professional Standards Committee, and I was invited by the bishop to be part of our newly formed Project Resource Team in the diocese. This team has been trained to be a diocesan resource for parishes in the areas of capital campaigns, annual stewardship work, as well as planned giving.

Before serving as a priest in the Episcopal Church, I worked with a fundraising consulting firm in Wauwatosa called Fund Development Corporation. While most of the clients I worked with were secular nonprofits, I did learn some valuable fundraising tools that translate into the religious nonprofit world.

I have been married to my lovely wife Kristy for four years. I have three grown stepchildren, two dogs, and a cat. Kristy and I are both very active and committed to wellness work. We love to run, cycle, and kayak. We also enjoy theater and music in our spare time.