



NOMINATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE 204TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

Standing Committee | Lay Order (Vote for 1)

CAROLYN BERANEK



RESIDENCE: Laurinburg

CHURCH: St. David's, Laurinburg

NOMINATOR: The Rev. Marty Stebbins

EXPERIENCE:

- Served on the Nominating Committee in the search for Bishop Sam
- Is currently their Senior Warden
- Served as Senior Warden at least three prior terms, as well as Junior Warden
- Has led both adult Christian formation classes and J2A

PERSONAL STATEMENT:

I am a long-time Episcopalian and I have served as Senior Warden at least three prior terms, as Junior Warden, and am currently their Senior Warden. I have led adult Christian formation classes, youth Sunday School, J2A, and recently completed a Middlers class on making wise, God-inspired choices in exploring their sexuality. I am a member of the choir, a substitute organist, a graduate of EFM, and have also completed Cursillo. I also served on the Nominating Committee in the search for Bishop Sam. I feel that being on the Standing Committee would give a voice to the small and rural churches in our Diocese, and that I understand the particular difficulties small churches have in attracting members and maintaining budgets. I am retired from the Social Security Administration in 2018 after 40 years of service. I am married to John Beranek and have one adult son, and three cats.

MORRIS FRIEDMAN



RESIDENCE: Winston-Salem

CHURCH: St. Paul's, Winston-Salem

NOMINATOR: The Rev. Stephanie Yancy

EXPERIENCE:

- Current Diocesan Council member 2017-2019
- St. Paul's, Winston-Salem Senior Warden 2015-16, Junior Warden 2014-15, Vestry 2013-16
- Service on numerous St. Paul's Winston-Salem committees: Parish Discernment Committee, Capital Campaign Cabinet, Finance, HR, Outreach, past Annual Giving Chair
- Past Board Member, Hospice and Palliative CareCenter Foundation, Winston-Salem, NC
- Past President of Medical Staff and Board Chairman, Novant Health Medical Park Hospital

PERSONAL STATEMENT:

I have greatly enjoyed my service on Diocesan Council. Serving on our Standing Committee would further expand my involvement in the diocese. One of my most meaningful experiences— serving on a Parish Discernment Committee—will be applicable, as the Standing Committee has such a key role in the ordination process. As we move forward together, we must be ever mindful to ensure that the church remains relevant and inclusive in the 21st century. Looking to our savior Jesus Christ for guidance and direction, we can work together to make a positive difference and bring the Gospel to many who may have never had the chance to hear the good news. My past experiences and outlook have helped me facilitate bringing people with disparate opinions together and finding common ground. As a member of Standing Committee, with God's help, I would be excited to be a part of our shared future.

BILLY URQUHART



RESIDENCE: Tarboro

CHURCH: Calvary, Tarboro

NOMINATOR: Billy Urquhart

EXPERIENCE:

- Confirmed member of Episcopal Church 57 years
- Self-employed business man
- Vestry member and 3-time senior warden
- Past member of Diocesan Council
- Current member of Diocesan Insurance Committee

PERSONAL STATEMENT:

I will use my experience and skills gained from vestry service and Diocesan Council to address issues presented to the Standing Committee.