

MEET THE 2023 SLATE OF NOMINEES



Chris Allen

Senior Warden, 2027

Chris and his wife Izzy have been members at Trinity since 2004. He served for six years on the Stewardship Committee, including 3 years as co-chair; for four years on the Vestry, including two years on its Executive Committee; as well as two Associate Rector search committees and the active Director of Music Search Committee. The proud parent of 3 choristers, Chris has participated in the DOCC program, Habitat for Humanity, and the Leadership Development Task Force. When not at Trinity, he is working as an in-

house attorney for a biopharma company, cooking barbeque on a smoker, playing golf, skiing, reading, and spending time with his family.

At the Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 19, 2023, at 10 am, the parish will elect a new Senior Warden, four members of the Vestry, and a delegate to our region of the Diocese—the Boston Harbor Deanery. The process began with the Nominating Committee, chaired by Junior Warden Barbara Dortch-Okara, appointed each year by the Wardens and the Vestry, which accepted candidate names for consideration and compiled this slate of nominees after a review of all those recommended.



Josh Fiala

Vestry, Class of 2027

Josh and his wife, Jeannette, began regularly attending Trinity in 2009. Their involvement at Trinity has grown with their family. Josh's earliest involvement at Trinity was as a Godly Play teacher in the second grade for about 5 years. Since then, Josh has been a member and Co-chair of the Children's Ministries Committee. Josh has also recently served as a member and Co-chair of the Stewardship Committee. For twenty years, Josh and Jeannette have participated in and raised money for the Walk

for Hunger and have been a part of Trinity's Walk for Hunger team for the past few years. Josh grew up in Michigan and met Jeannette at MIT. Josh is an architect and urban planner and works as a Principal Planner for MAPC, the regional planning agency of the Greater Boston area. Josh enjoys traveling and running. He is running the Boston Marathon as a member of the 2023 Trinity Boston Connects Team. Josh and Jeannette live in the South End and are proud parents of Violette and Edgerton, who were baptized at Trinity and are currently singing with the choir as Choristers.



Tim Martin

Vestry, Class of 2027

Tim has been a parishioner since 2005 and has served the parish in a variety of ways: Youth Mentor, Vestry, committee member (Nominating, TrinityNext, Adult Christian Formation, and the Rector Search Committee), and currently chairs the Building Committee. Tim and his wife Julia were married at Trinity, and now live in Sudbury with their two daughters.



Mary Roetzel

Vestry, Class of 2027

Mary grew up in the Presbyterian Church in St Paul, Minnesota. She first started attending Trinity in 1997 and was confirmed into the Episcopal church in 1998. She started singing in the choir a few years later, which still gives her great joy. She has participated in several committees related to the music department, including the Concert Committee and the Tour Committees in 2010 and 2016. Mary also has served on the Stewardship Committee and currently serves on the search committee for the Director of Music. A resident of the Fenway, she

works in Human Resources at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston and is an avid travel buff, heading to northern Minnesota each summer and further afield as often as possible.



Katie Wrisley-Shelby

Vestry, Class of 2024

After growing up and being married in the Presbyterian Church (USA), Katie and her husband, Tyson, were formally received into the Episcopal Church in 2019 after attending Trinity since around 2011. She finished her Master's in Theological Studies at Harvard Divinity School in 2012 and defended her dissertation in Historical Theology at Boston College in 2018, and has since taught as a contingent faculty member in Theology at both BC and Providence College. Throughout her years experimenting in the stresses of academic theology,

Trinity Church has served as a spiritual home, space of solace, and source of beloved community for Katie and her family, which now also includes their one-year-old daughter, Rebecca Jane, who can often be found in the nursery during the 10 am service. Since 2011, Katie has participated in various ministries at Trinity, including as a server at Rosie's Place, as a Lay Eucharistic Minister, on a Discernment Committee, as an attendee of the 20s/30s Group, and most recently, as a member of the Bible Study Guide Writing Team. The Shelbys currently reside in Concord.



Carol Masshardt

Boston Harbor Deanery Delegate, '24

Carol has lived in Boston all her adult life and has attended Trinity since 1990. She co-facilitated both the Bereavement Group for nearly ten years and the Faith at Home Poetry sessions in 2021 and was a delegate to Episcopal City Mission for multiple terms and has served as delegate to the Boston Harbor Deanery for a previous term. She received her Master of Social Work degree at Boston College and has had several leadership roles and has served on the Board of Directors at several non-profit agencies. She is currently on the faculty at Bridgewater

State University and coordinates the professional education program. Carol is also a published writer of short stories and poetry.

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