



**2020**

**Parish Council Nominees**

# 2020 Parish Council Election

## VOTING PROCEDURES

### BALLOTING

Ballots will be accepted through **4pm on January 23, 2020**, in accordance with our Bylaws.

- ♦ **Overland Park** – On Sundays, January 12, 19, 26 from 8–12:30pm, ballots will be available in the Café, and you may cast your vote at that time.
- ♦ **Mission** – On Sundays, January 12, 19, 26, ballots will be available after the service and you may cast your vote at that time.
- ♦ **Overland Park Office** – Beginning January 6, 2020, ballots will be available in the office between 10am and 2pm, Monday – Friday, and you may cast your vote at that time.

### ANNUAL MEETING Sunday, January 26

- ♦ **Overland Park** – At the close of the 8:30am service (approximately 9:30am), the Annual Meeting will officially be called to order and voting will be available in the Café. This voting portion of the Annual Meeting will adjourn at 12:30pm.
- ♦ **Mission** – Voting will begin after the service. This voting portion of the Annual Meeting will adjourn at 11:15am.

All ballots from Overland Park and Mission will be held secure and uncounted until Monday morning, January 27, when the Counting Team will assemble and tally.

### ANNUAL MEETING / BUSINESS – Monday, January 27 at 7pm

Voting results will be announced at the Monday Night portion of the Annual Meeting in Disciples' Center at the Overland Park Campus.

## 2019 Parish Council Members

*(asterisks indicate outgoing members)*

Jimmy Adams

Shelly Horner

Jerry Sabin

Mike Crabb

Tim James

Jan Schwert

Gerry Crawley\*

Matt Larsen\*

Mark Sojka\*

Sarah Hartman

Jana Riddle\*

Tricia Wolf\*

# On the Slate 2020



**Dave Bergren**



**Wendy Buzzard**



**Emily Duensing**



**Matt Larsen**



**Jana Riddle**



**Steph Wagner**



**Tricia Wolf**



## **Dave Bergren**

- I am married to Marcia Bergren (37 years).
- I have worked at Wells Fargo for 30+ years with the last 7 in Kansas City.
- We have 2 married sons: Jon, 35, and Peter, 32.
- We have been members of CCA almost 7 years, and we worship at Overland Park.
- I have served as a Liturgical Assistant, a Board Member for Mission St. Luke's and I have been on 2 of the last 3 Uganda Mission Trips.
- I am excited to serve on the Parish Council so I can be more involved in the growth and outreach God has for us in the future.



## **Wendy Buzzard**

- I have been married to Mike for 26 years.
- I own a sales representative agency with 12 sales reps working for me. We sell home décor and furnishings to stores and interior designers.
- We have one son, Patrick, who is 21.
- We joined CCA in 1992 and worship at Overland Park.
- My most current role is the team lead for the Vergers, and I have served as a Verger for 22 years. I served on the Parish Council from 2007-2012 of which I spent 2 years as the Vice-Chair. In that role I have been on the finance team, the by-laws committee, the Bring Life to Others fundraising effort team, and led through transitions of multiple bishops. I have served as a coach on Alpha in the early 2000s and helped with Children's Ministry when Patrick was younger.
- I enjoy using the gifts God has given me with organizational leadership. We are in a wonderful season of hospitality and "Bringing Life to Others," and I would like to help us live out our mission that God has called us to.



## Emily Duensing

- My husband, Dan, and I were married in 1996.
- We have two young-adult sons: Cole, 21, and Scott, 19.
- I joined Christ Church in 1995, and we attend the Overland Park location.
- I am a Learning Solutions Specialist for a computer software company.
- Over the years I have participated, led, and/or served at Christ Church in the following ways: Alpha, Alpha Conferences, Life Groups, led Bible Studies, prayer teams of various natures, Worship Graphics team, church plants, a Honduras mission trip, spiritual gifts seminars, special event teams, and two previous terms on the Parish Council. I also led the “Bring Life to Others” Event Team.
- I love this place and the opportunity to serve on the Parish Council is always an honor and privilege. I cannot wait to see what God has planned for us as we continue to humbly seek His guidance and direction.



## Matt Larsen

- I am married to my wife, Meg.
- We have two children: Porter, 8 and Graham, 5.
- My work includes software development, management consulting, international business and information technology.
- We primarily attend at Overland Park.
- It has been a pleasure having the opportunity to serve on Parish Council the past three years. Both Meg and I are proud members of the worship team, vocals and percussion respectively. We are involved with Life Groups, and have been involved with Alpha.
- There is something special about this community. It is inspiring to be part of a church that is actively spreading God’s kingdom. Being part of this community has done so much for me and my family. I’d be honored to contribute to the future of this great community and furthering God’s kingdom.



## Jana Riddle

- I am married to Tom.
- We have two sons: Scott, 49, and Tim, 48, and our daughter Krystyn, 52, lives in Thomasville GA.
- Since 2006, I work in the Client Support Department at Wright International Student Services.
- My husband Tom and I have been members at Christ Church since 2003. We began worshipping at Mission three years ago as part of the church plant team.
- I currently lead a Life Group at Mission, and we still meet with our long-standing Overland Park group. I am on our Prayer Team and part of the Mission Altar Guild. I am acting as point person for our new meal ministry. After volunteering in Children's Ministry my first three years at Mission, I am now a teacher for our middle school group. I am the "shepherd" for our newly-formed high school Acolyte team. I currently serve on Parish Council.
- Recently we as a church have been placing a great deal of emphasis on being a more hospitable people and creating a place of welcome. I would love to continue serving you as a Parish Council member during this time when we are intently asking the Holy Spirit what that means for our church.



## Steph Wagner

- I am married to Kevin Wagner (7 years).
- We have a daughter, Zoey, 4, and a son, Thomas, who is almost 2.
- I am a Registered Dietitian and Owner of Bariatric Food Coach.
- My parents joined CCA when I was in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade (Tom and Suzanne Moore)!
- I regularly attend at CCA Mission.
- I have volunteered as a Life Group Leader, in Children's Ministry, Alpha, the Prayer Team and in my past as a Summer Staffer and in youth

ministry. I have a rich history with Christ Church and truly feel at home when I am among this wonderful body of believers.

- The gratefulness I feel for what God has done through Christ Church in my past only brings more hope and excitement at what He has for CCA in the future! Thank you, church family, for your hospitality in my life. I'm excited to grow with you as we become even more hospitable for God's Kingdom.



## **Tricia Wolf**

- I am married to Josh (since 2012).
- We have two sons: Kyle, 15, and Adam, 14.
- I work for Top Notch Heating and Cooling since 2009, currently as a sales manager.
- We came to Christ Church in 2009 and regularly attend CCA Overland Park.
- Since joining Christ Church, I have been a host and a helper on Alpha, participated in the choir and the worship team, sang in Lessons and Carols, prepared and delivered meals for our Meal Ministry, and served as a reader. I have spent most of my time involved in Kids Ministry in some form, serving regularly as a Leader/Storyteller in the Elementary classroom as well as during VBS week. When we launched Christ Church Mission, I was honored to serve as the Children's Ministry Director for the first year.
- It has been a pleasure serving you on the Parish Council this past year, and I would love to continue to be a part of this exciting time in the life of our church. Being new to the council in 2019, I feel like it took a few months to settle in, and now I'm ready to really dive in deep. Christ Church is blessed with an amazing staff and congregation, and it is a blessing to be a part of this ministry in our church.



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