

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Vestry Nomination Details

The Vestry is responsible for the administration of the life of the St. Luke's parish; its program life, its fiscal life, its properties, and its spiritual welfare. Being a member of the Vestry is an important ministry and an opportunity to work closely with a wonderful group of people to shepherd St. Luke's towards its mission.

Nominations for new Vestry members will be accepted until November 11, 2019. In an effort to provide candidates who represent all aspects of parish life, the Vestry has appointed a Nominating Committee who will present a slate of candidates at our Annual Meeting on January 19, 2020.

Questions to consider for nominations:

- Does the individual desire to be a leader at St. Luke's Episcopal Church?
- Is the person a visible participant in worship and events at St. Luke's?
- Does the person have a strong commitment for the furtherance of the mission of Jesus Christ in and beyond this parish?
- Does this individual have the ability to help connect parishioners of St. Luke's to the places where their gifts and abilities can be best used?
- A nominee should not be a spouse, child, parent, or sibling of an employee of St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

Qualities of a Vestry Member:

- Baptized, confirmed member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, at least 18 years of age
- Regular in attendance at worship, receiving communion on a regular basis
- Giver of record and a pledging member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Roles & Responsibilities of a Vestry Member:

Mission:

- Keep the mission of the Church ("to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ" BCP, pg. 855) clearly in mind
- Articulate, communicate and hold the community of St. Luke's accountable to its stated mission: *"We are a community committed to caring for one another, to spiritual growth, and to bringing others closer to God through Jesus Christ."*

Visibility:

- Be active in the Parish and its programs; learn more about the broad scope of parish life; become knowledgeable and active in church governance, finance, and business affairs
- Strive to be a servant of the people of St. Luke's
- Exhibit enthusiasm and vitality for the ministries of St. Luke's
- Be active ministers of the Gospel in daily life and work

Responsibilities:

- Attend one scheduled monthly vestry meeting - 4th Tuesday of each month
- Attend special or emergency vestry meetings, when called
- Attend the Annual Meeting of the Parish on January 19, 2020
- Attend an overnight Vestry Orientation Retreat, scheduled for January 31 & February 1, 2020, required
- Attend annual Diocesan Vestry Training Session when possible
- Notify the Sr. Warden or Clerk if unable to attend a meeting or function
- Chair and/or be an active member of at least one vestry committee
- Pledge financial support early in the stewardship campaign each year
- Commit to and support vestry decisions
- Show loyalty and respect to St. Luke's vestry members and parish leadership
- Listen to and encourage non-vestry members to bring their concerns and ideas to the Vestry
- Prayerfully expect to be guided by the Holy Spirit, both in the work of the Vestry and for the welfare and interests of our parishioners

*From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament,
grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work. Eph 4:16*

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Vestry Nomination Form

Upon being accepted by the Committee and Vestry for nomination, a nominee will be required to complete a personal biography for presentation to the parishioners.

Nominations will be accepted until November 11, 2019. All nomination forms should be placed in the Nominations Box which will be in the Church Office during the week and in the narthex of St. Luke's on Sunday; or email to Owen Cope, Nominating Committee Chairperson: otcope@gmail.com.

The Vestry and Nominating Committee will provide the Parish with a slate of nominees in December. New vestry members will be elected at the Annual Parish Meeting on January 19, 2020. There will be no nominations accepted from the floor.

(If extra space is needed for completion of any of the items, please use back of this form or add an additional page.)

The nominee below has read the roles and responsibilities of vestry membership and has agreed to serve if elected.

Name _____

Phone(s) _____

Street Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Number of years as parishioner of St. Luke's _____

Regularly attends which service? _____

Occupation _____

Status: employed _____ retired _____ other _____

Interests _____

Church and/or Day School involvement in past 4 years (ministry examples are Sunday School, Bible Study, Choir, Altar Guild, etc.)

Reasons for nomination

Person making nomination _____ Date _____

Signature of nominee _____ Date _____

I give St. Luke's permission to use my image in Church publications. Circle one: Y / N