

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024, 10 AM, ALL SAINTS' HALL

The Annual Meeting is the one time during the year we gather to hear “the state of Christ Church.” It is a time to reflect on 2024 and acknowledge the mission and ministry that took place during the past year, and to look ahead to 2025 and all the promise it holds for our spiritual home. We will hear reports from the Rector, the Vestry, and other parish leaders.

During the Annual Meeting, the parish will elect five new members of the Vestry for the 2027 class that will serve for the next three years. The Vestry Nominating Committee has worked faithfully to present a slate of five nominees that assures our Vestry has the skills it needs to lead our parish, rounding out the experience of continuing Vestry members. Those skills include holding leadership positions in one of the Church’s many ministries, understanding the governance and traditions of our Church, and the ability to see the big picture as decisions are made. The committee also considered the need to ensure a balance of genders and ages on the Vestry.

Please take the time to read about these very capable and willing candidates and be ready to vote at the Annual Meeting on their tenure. Their pictures and biographical information are on the facing page.

Under our Bylaws as adopted by the parish in 2017, any additional nominations must be duly made and received in writing by the Rector no later than twelve days prior to the Annual Meeting (that is, by November 26), at which time the nominations are closed. As of the date of this notice (November 19), no such additional nominations had been received. If any additional nominations are duly made and received within the time permitted by the Bylaws, information about the additional nominee(s) will be provided on the Christ Church website and at the Annual Meeting.

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, December 8.

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Please join us for the **Christ Church Annual Meeting**

Sunday, December 8 at 10 am

This annual event is an opportunity to celebrate the generosity and faithfulness of our parish, to elect new officers, and to look ahead to the coming year in ministry together. We are grateful for all who make possible our mission to love God, care for each other, and serve the world in the name of Christ.



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Amanda Anders



Jose Costa



J.D. Ey



Randall Mountcastle



Beeland Voellinger



VESTRY NOMINEES

The election of the Class of 2027 Vestry will be held at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, December 8 at 10 am in All Saints' Hall. Five people will be elected to the 15-member Vestry. The following slate of parishioners has been nominated:

Amanda Anders is a lifelong Episcopalian and has been a member of Christ Church since 1981. She and her husband Bob have two adult children, Will Anders and Brantley Templeton. Brantley, her husband, Ryan, and their four boys live in Charlotte, and are also members of Christ Church. Will, his wife Lydia, and their two children live in Raleigh.

Amanda has served in a wide variety of roles at Christ Church. She is currently facilitating two Bible study classes. She has previously served on the Vestry, one year as Junior Warden; she graduated from EFM and later served as a co-facilitator for an EFM group; she served on the Spiritual Growth Commission, helping author the Christian Essentials curriculum; she served on the Rama Road Commission, and as a member of the New Rector Search Committee (that brought Chip to Christ Church.) She has a deep and abiding love for the church, and it is indeed her spiritual home.

Jose R. Costa has been an active member of Christ Episcopal Church since 2013, when he and his wife, Cindy, moved to Charlotte. Together, they have grown their family and their faith at Christ Church, learning and leading together in a shared commitment to faith, service and community along with their three children, Loren (13), Vera Rose (10), and Nico (8).

In partnership with his faith community, Jose is deeply dedicated to helping the local Charlotte area. He has collaborated with multiple nonprofits in the region, focusing on initiatives to combat homelessness, improve public education, support children, and empower immigrant families. His efforts have aided programs that provide shelter, educational resources, and mentorship, fostering hope and opportunity for underserved populations.

Originally from Caracas, Venezuela, Jose migrated to the U.S. and began his career as a marketing executive with Yum! Brands and later with Burger King. His experience working with 3G Capital helped him define his expertise in creating corporate value and leading large, multi-unit retail organizations for several private equity portfolio companies, including Driven Brands, GrandVision, and Bojangles. He currently serves as CEO for Whistle Express, a 150+ location car wash company with operations across the southeast. Jose holds Master's degrees from Northwestern University and the University of Chicago and serves on the board of Lightbridge Academy.

J.D. Ey grew up at Christ Church Charlotte and has been a formative journey marked by faith, community, and service. He was baptized and confirmed at Christ Church, embarked on pilgrimage experiences, participated in mission trips, and served as an acolyte as an active participant in the youth group.

J.D. has continued to offer his gifts to the Christ Church community since moving back to Charlotte in 2020, serving as a leader of the High School Youth Council and High School Life Group and representing Christ Church as a delegate to the Diocesan Convention. Additionally, he has had the honor of guiding those exploring their faith as a Confirmation Class leader.

J.D. graduated from Washington and Lee University, and coached basketball there and later at Amherst College. He is currently a Director at Crosslake Technologies. His wife, Kalli, shares a deep commitment to faith and education as a teacher at Trinity Episcopal School. They are blessed with a 3-month-old son, Johnny.

Randall Mountcastle joined Christ Church in 2000. He has served as a Sunday School teacher and chaired Rama Road Elementary School Church Commission and Associate Rector Search Committees. Randall has also been active in several other committees and commissions at Christ Church over the years: Micah Initiative Commission, Outreach Commission, Leap of Faith Implementation Team, 75th Anniversary Renewing Our Vision Committee, Usher Commission and Engagement & Hospitality Commission. In his prior service on the Vestry, he served as Junior Warden. Outside of Christ Church, Randall is President of AMG Healthcare and is past Chair of the Stratford Richardson YMCA and past Board Member of Young President's Organization. Randall and his wife, Lori, have two daughters, Ella and Grace, who were both baptized and confirmed at Christ Church.

Beeland Voellinger joined Christ Church in 2004, and with husband David has two children, Bee (19) and Will (17), both of whom were baptized and confirmed at Christ Church. Beeland's professional background includes extensive experience in the Workers Compensation insurance industry in Alabama and North Carolina. She has also worked as a marketing representative for the Wake Forest Family Business Center. Currently, Beeland serves on the Mint Museum Auxiliary Board.

Her dedication to Christ Church has been evident through various leadership and volunteer roles. Beeland has chaired the Christ Church Kindergarten Board of Directors and the Nursery Committee, volunteered for Vacation Bible School, and taught Sunday School for two years. She presently serves on the Liturgical Commission as chair of the Altar Guild and volunteers with the Discovery Service Altar Guild. Additionally, she was an active volunteer for the church's capital campaign. Beeland's commitment to faith, community, and service continues to inspire her involvement in the life of Christ Church and beyond.