

Vestry Candidates for 2026



Jack Garvey

1. Please share a brief “bio,” including your personal interests, family information, and your work (professional or volunteer).

I attended St. Francis when I was 5 years old and started attending St. Andrew's after our first child was born in 1987. Annette and I have 2 children and one foster grandchild. My personal interests include family, St. Andrew's, hunting, fishing, boating, playing guitar, and enjoying our NC coast and mountain streams. I was employed as an engineer and environmental manager for 42 years with Heidelberg Materials and all its subsidiaries, starting with Boren Brick in 1980.

2. Please tell us about your parish life, community service, activities, and leadership at St. Andrew's.

My service at St. Andrew's includes the following ministries for several years: President of the Men's Fellowship Club; Acolyte Master; annual pancake supper team member; offering counter; usher; and Urn Garden Committee member. For a few years on a monthly basis, I played guitar for the St. Andrew's folk group outings as well as Christmas caroling. As time would allow, I have always tried to contribute in various capacities in the kitchen, at the Bazaar (now Deck the Halls), and repairing equipment for the Altar Guild.

3. What aspects of the community of St. Andrew's are most meaningful to you? How would you describe St. Andrew's to a friend?

St. Andrew's is a welcoming neighborhood church having a deeply caring and spiritual clergy and congregation from throughout the county, and I tell my friends this. There is a ministry for anyone seeking to serve the church and our outreach programs.

4. Why do you wish to serve on the Vestry?

Having retired, my work can no longer prevent me from serving St. Andrew's and the community in larger ways. By serving on the Vestry, I can learn more about the church and my faith. I would appreciate the opportunity.

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Anne Geggie

1. Please share a brief “bio,” including your personal interests, family information, and your work (professional or volunteer).

My wife Barb and I live in the Sunset Hills neighborhood, just a short walk from St. Andrew’s, with our nephew, 2 cats, and a dog. Greensboro has been our home for 5 years now and we love it here. I’ve gotten to live lots of places since leaving Michigan where I grew up, and nowhere has felt as welcoming and wonderful as this neighborhood. My professional life has been doing mostly real estate lending (some small businesses, too) that banks don’t typically do. Much of it has been financing large real estate projects for nonprofits, with a current focus on primary care clinics serving people on Medicaid. I have worked, and do work, all across the country. When I have free time, I like to spend time with family, watch British mystery shows, and read.

2. Please tell us about your parish life, community service, activities, and leadership at St. Andrew’s.

I have not taken on previous leadership roles at St. Andrews, although I did serve on a vestry for a church in Washington, D.C. (St. Paul’s of Rock Creek). I have occasionally served as a reader, and Barb and I are always on call to help with St. Andrews tents at the Corner Farmers Market.

3. What aspects of the community of St. Andrew’s are most meaningful to you? How would you describe St. Andrew’s to a friend?

The first would be sermons that simultaneously soothe my soul and encourage me to think about being part of my community and family in deeper ways. The second would be that we have made good friends in the few years that we’ve been attending St. Andrew’s, and it’s been wonderful to be so warmly greeted by so many people, every Sunday. I would and do tell friends that St. Andrew’s is very welcoming and full of people who will be glad to see you come back. We have something for everyone—young families & teenagers, choir members, and so many opportunities to give back to the greater community.

4. Why do you wish to serve on the Vestry?

I grew up in a family that believed in giving back, including my dad who, as a public school teacher, was active in his union and even supported teachers in other school districts negotiating difficult contract situations. I have gotten so much from being a part of the St. Andrew’s community that I want to contribute to keeping it going. I think my experience in working with nonprofits, especially as it relates to budgets and finances, is something I would hope could help St. Andrews and the Vestry.

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George Hanna

1. Please share a brief “bio,” including your personal interests, family information, and your work (professional or volunteer).

I am a retired General, Cosmetic, and Implant Dentist. I had a private practice here in Greensboro for 42 years and still provide temporary fill-in services for dentists in the area. I am married to my beautiful wife Charlyne, and we have 3 sons. We lost our oldest son almost 12 years ago. We miss him dearly. I enjoy most sports, including open water sailing, snow skiing, tennis, pickleball, and golf. I enjoy reading both fiction and non-fiction. Spending time with Charlyne and our family at the beach gives me great pleasure. Since my retirement, we spend most of the summer at the coast which is very relaxing for me.

2. Please tell us about your parish life, community service, activities, and leadership at St. Andrew’s.

I have been a member of St. Andrew’s all my life. This would be my third time as a vestry member. I have been an EYC advisor, served as an acolyte advisor, usher, and lay reader. I served as an acolyte while in junior and senior high school, and most recently have served as chaliceist and vergier. I have done several volunteer Mission of Mercy (MOM) dental clinics in Greensboro and surrounding areas.

3. What aspects of the community of St. Andrew’s are most meaningful to you? How would you describe St. Andrew’s to a friend?

St. Andrew’s is a very giving, spiritual, and compassionate church. Our mission statement—Feeding the Hungry, Welcoming the Stranger, and Being Transformed by God—embodies this community in Christ. St. Andrew’s has the most wonderful, giving, compassionate, and loving members. We welcome everyone.

4. Why do you wish to serve on the Vestry?

I have been asked to serve on the Vestry several times in the last 5 years and had to decline because of professional obligations. Now with retirement, I look forward with deep commitment to God and to our church family to continuing our parish mission and helping to enrich our St. Andrew’s community. Seeing continued growth and financial stability and taking care of our parish members, the physical structures, the community, and outreach are very important to me. Being on the Vestry gives me the chance again to be part of this wonderful community that we know as St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church.

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Elizabeth Troutman

1. Please share a brief “bio,” including your personal interests, family information, and your work (professional or volunteer).

I am originally from Charlotte but attended an Episcopal high school called St. Andrew’s School in Delaware, where I met my now-husband Dan. We have two children, Will (age 15) and Holden (age 12). I am a lawyer who primarily advises and advocates for schools. In addition to watching college basketball with Will (GO, HEELS!) and Taylor Swift with Holden (favorite song = Paper Rings), my personal interests are cooking, reading, and pretending to fish (the fish are pretty safe when I’m around).

2. Please tell us about your parish life, community service, activities, and leadership at St. Andrew’s.

We joined St. Andrew’s during the pandemic, when we started watching online. We love coming to the events and contributing food to those and other opportunities when we can. I served as an advisor to the youth group last year, and my children regularly serve as acolytes. I have been looking for other ways to get involved and contribute.

3. What aspects of the community of St. Andrew’s are most meaningful to you? How would you describe St. Andrew’s to a friend?

St. Andrew’s is a welcoming place where people can be their authentic selves. It is a community who cares deeply, thinks carefully, and supports each other. But it is not a church without tradition or formality—it is rooted to the songs and rituals of the church and its own past, structures which free the people to be able to have honest conversations and pray more deeply. The services are the thing I love the most, and the opportunities for fellowship that surround those services. I also love the community service work that our church chooses to do because the opportunities are chosen so carefully to really make a difference in the lives of people in Greensboro.

4. Why do you wish to serve on the Vestry?

I believe I can be of service to St. Andrew’s and the parish in this way: I am familiar with legal, financial, governance, and spiritual issues that impact the church. There are so many ways in which I must rely on others to serve me; I am disabled and cannot do so many things. But the call to serve others is a loud, constant voice, and I am so grateful that an opportunity has arisen for me to serve this parish and this community. I love this church deeply and want to help it continue to thrive.