

Jeff Kager



*What do you like best about St. Paul's?*

I like how St. Paul's is a welcome place for anyone. I like the fellowship with the friends I have at St. Paul's. I enjoy the hymns/music in the regular hymnal. I like our location off the beaten path. I like the direction we are going and the people that are guiding us have an extraordinary vision of what St. Paul's can become.

*What are some of your current and past parish ministry involvement and leadership positions at St. Paul's?*

I have been (an am) President of the Men's Group. For several years, I have been a member of the Ministry Leadership Resource Committee (MLRC), and the Care and Share (CnS) ministry. I am the co-chair of the Usher ministry. I was a member of St. Paul's Vestry 2010-2012, and served as the Junior and Senior Warden. I participated on three St. Paul's Appalachian Service project trips with my son. I also help our grounds crew mow the lawn and clean the gutters in the fall and spring. Activities at St. Paul's that I am directly involved in include the annual parish picnic, St. Paul's annual Lobster Fest, Pancake Supper, ASP spaghetti fund raiser, discretionary funding requests, and grounds and facility improvements.

*What are some of your past ministry involvement and leadership positions at your former church or parish?*

In the late-80's, I was a member of St. Mark's Episcopal church in Erie, PA, and served on Vestry for a year before moving to Cary NC in 1990. I am a cradle Episcopalian, born in Buffalo, NY, and attended Calvary Episcopal Church in Williamsville, NY for most of my youth. I sang in the youth and adult choir, was an acolyte, and a member of the various youth programs offered there.

*What would you most like to see accomplished during your three years of service on the Vestry?*

I would like to see St. Paul's stay on the path of being the church in Cary, NC that people will seek out want to come to. And stay. I would like to see us continue to shave down the mortgage balance and find the money to make necessary repairs to the Education building. I want to see our youth programs continue to grow. And it is important that our staff feel appreciated and rewarded, commensurate with their enormous responsibilities for a church of our size.

*What community groups and events are you involved in?*

I am active in Camp Corral, an organization that supports a summer camp experience for children or wounded, disabled, or fallen military members. I was on the Board of Directors at Scottish Hills swim club, and president of the VA Medical Center Durham Credit Union for several years in the 1990's. I love to spend time at the beach surf fishing, doing some travel, and

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spending time with my three grown children when I can. I have been employed by the Department Of Veterans Affairs for almost 33 years as a Medical Librarian, certified mediator, administrative investigator, educator, and much more.

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