

The following parishioners have put forth their names to be considered for the 2026 class of St. Paul's Vestry. Four members will be elected to serve. "Nominees receiving a majority shall be declared elected" (per *The Episcopal Diocese of NC Constitution and Canons*). The nominees have provided answers to the following questions and are listed in alphabetical order by last name.

#### **VICKI BRADLEY:**

- What do you like best about St. Paul's?
  - O St. Paul's is an active faith community. In a society where there is often so much divisiveness and hatred, it is a place where folks can come together to experience kindness, caring, acceptance and love. It is a place where all are welcome and there is intentionality in taking that beyond our own parish doors. There are so many ministries which do God's work in so many ways -- and just as remarkably there are so many people who care for one another, on an individual level, within our parish as if we were family. And through that, we do become a church family. My husband, Rick, and I have experienced that and are so grateful that we've been able to raise our children to experience the same in such a wonderful community. And while I've focused my comments mostly on the community and our outreach ministries, I must say that I also love our liturgy....and our clergy (both current and past) and staff ROCK!
- What are some of your current and past parish ministry involvement and leadership positions at St. Paul's?
  - o I have been very active at St. Paul's for over 30 years. I spent several years helping lead the youth ministries, co-chairing the St. Paul's AIDS Care team, serving on the Kairos Prison ministry -- and participating in Cursillo retreat/teams, foyer groups, and ASP support. I've served on vestry (2020-2022), the first St. Paul's Human Resources Committee, and the St. Paul's church growth committee. I completed four years of the weekly bible study program, EFM, and spent one year assisting a previous assistant rector with completing a comprehensive congregational study as part of his doctoral degree program. I've participated in women's beach weekend for over 20 years and have helped with meal planning for most of those years. I've participated in Lobster Fest on several occasions, most recently as co-chair.
- What are some of your past ministry involvement and leadership positions at your former church or parish?
  - I was active in the youth choir and youth group in the church where I grew up.
- What would you most like to see accomplished during your three years of service on the vestry?
  - We have been blessed to belong to a vibrant, active, loving faith community with stability in our clergy and a multitude of outreach ministries lead by incredibly talented,

committed parishioners. We are at a critical juncture for St. Paul's as we prayerfully discern how we will move forward as a community – in terms of hiring a new rector – and continuing to flourish in new ways while also preserving what make St. Paul's so special. The holy spirit works in miraculous ways and, if I am called to be on the vestry, I hope to help the vestry keep the pulse of the parish and help us all look to the future with faithful openness of heart and mind. This pertains not only to how we evolve as a parish but also how we continue to support outreach ministries and make grounded operational decisions.

- What community groups and events are you involved in?
  - O I established/mentored a Community Activity Committee within the Office of Human Resources at UNC Chapel Hill for over 10 years. We conducted annual events (i.e., food drives, Toys-for-Tots) and have participated in other events such as Habitat for Humanity, providing dinners to the Ronald McDonald house, playing with children in the UNC Children's Hospital pediatric playroom, sending toiletries to our troops, hosting other drives (i.e., book drive, backpack food drive, Dress for Success clothing drive, etc.).

### **KATIE BRICIO:**

- What do you like best about St. Paul's?
  - O The community. One of the greatest blessings in my life is to have been included in the St. Paul's community. From raising my kids, to grieving the loss of my mom, I have been supported by the St. Paul's community in ways I can never repay.
- What are some of your current and past parish ministry involvement and leadership positions at St. Paul's?
  - I loved teaching **Sunday School**, including the "wonder" of Godly Play with the little kids, and the laughter that abounded with the high schoolers.
  - I loved hanging out with, and was always moved by, the kids we hosted during our weeks of WIHN.
  - O I was honored to have helped the rock-stars that started **Refuge for Refugees**. I made a few sign-up sheets and cleaned a few apartments while other superheroes helped struggling families rebuild their lives. You can learn a lot about global resettlement just by driving families to their doctor's appointments.
  - Speaking of rock-stars, the MOMS ministry is full of them and for some reason they
    were inclusive enough to let me facilitate a few sessions.
  - I helped our **Endowment Board** transition from just-getting-started to fairly robustly upand-running.
  - I have participated in and am grateful for REI training and ONE Wake training.
  - And finally, I have enjoyed serving on the **Outreach** committee in its various iterations (from CSN to OST), and I enjoy being our liaison with the **Episcopal Farmworker Ministry**.
- What are some of your past ministry involvement and leadership positions at your former church or parish?

- O NA since St. Paul's has been my only church home as an adult (but as a kid, I attended St. Timothy's then St. Mark's in Raleigh Thanks, Mom!)
- What would you most like to see accomplished during your three years of service on the vestry?
  - o The hiring of a new rector.
  - A smooth transition to new leadership; the continued thriving of our church thereunder.
  - The resurrection of the MOMS ministry.
  - Growth of interest in ministries that support affordable housing; exploration of related possibilities.
- What community groups and events are you involved in?
  - North Carolina Advocates for Justice
  - American Association for Justice
  - North Carolina Voter Project
  - The Appalachian Theatre

### TIM BUCKLEY:

- What do you like best about St. Paul's?
  - O I moved here over 35 years ago. My wife and I were searching for a church with children and youth programs since we had small children. We found St Paul's then and have loved it ever since. Youth and children's programs have always excelled at St Paul's. I have been impressed with the Outreach Programs at St. Paul's as they encompass helping those less fortunate. Some of these programs include the youth like ASP, Habitat for Humanity, and Migrant Farmworker Ministry. St. Paul's has a community feeling of accepting everyone. I like what St. Paul's is doing on the social justice front. St. Paul's has a variety of opportunities for members to get involved in order to help members and the community outside of our church. We are located on land where we can expand if the opportunity arises internally or externally.
- What are some of your current and past parish ministry involvement and leadership positions at St. Paul's?
  - o II am currently on the rector search committee. I was on the committee to bring the end-of-church school year picnic back, and I coordinated the volunteers for this picnic. I was on the Vestry from 1991- 1992 and 1999 2001. During that time, I co-chaired the Youth Minister Search Committee to hire a full-time Youth Minister. I have been on the Grounds/Yard Maintenance Committee since I joined St. Paul's. I have assisted with facility maintenance throughout the years I have been here. I arrange flowers for the services for Altar Guild. I was on the Adult Formation Committee and taught some classes. I participate in Hermano Day and St. Nicholas Day. I have volunteered for Lobster Fest since it began. I initiated and led a dinner group. I volunteered with Migrant Farm Worker Ministry, the Bread Ministry, and helped with Care and Share providing meals for church members, and I am a member of the transportation committee to provide rides for church members to church and doctor appointments. I was on the stewardship campaign committee for serval years. I designed, planned, organized, and coordinated the building of the Willa Mary Cowper Memorial

Playground. I was an usher for many years. I was a member of Refuge for Refugees Ministry. I participate in the disaster relief programs. I have been in Foyer groups and am a participant in Adult Formation.

- What are some of your past ministry involvement and leadership positions at your former church or parish?
  - O I was a Youth Group leader volunteer and a member of the choir at Trinity Episcopal Church, Manassas, VA. I was a member of the Gourmet Dinner Group which started with twelve couples and had thirty-six couples when we left. At the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection in Starkville, MS, I was a member of the choir and the maintenance leader of the swimming pool. I was also on the yard and grounds maintenance committee there.
- What would you most like to see accomplished during your three years of service on the vestry?
  - O I want to see that the youth and children's programs continue to grow as we continue to expand opportunities for our young people. I want to see that our church family continues to grow and that more community-building opportunities are available. I want to see that the "All Are Welcome" vision continues to grow and excites visitors. I want to see that our outreach programs continue to grow and prosper. I want to see the social justice focus and work continue to grow. I want to see that our young adult programs grow and have more opportunities. I want to assist in selecting our next priest so that he/she will match our church vision to lead us in our next step of opportunities and growth.
- What community groups and events are you involved in?
  - As Volunteer with Habitat for Humanity.
  - Participated with One Wake activities.
  - o Foster pups, find puppies homes, and help with events for Perfectly Imperfect Pups.
  - Assist with Disaster Relief Programs hurricanes, storms, flooding relief support County.

# MIKE ROITHMAYR:

- What do you like best about St. Paul's?
  - O Warm welcoming, family oriented and community involvement.
- What are some of your current and past parish ministry involvement and leadership positions at St. Paul's?
  - No current leadership roles.
- What are some of your past ministry involvement and leadership positions at your former church or parish?
  - Served on the vestry
  - Led and scheduled Lay Readers and Chalice Bearers
  - On committee to discern candidates for Deacon/Priesthood
  - Involved in Family Promise, character talks and mentoring at a local elementary school,
     KidsPack
  - TLC (Transforming Lives for Christ) feeding ministry, preparing and serving 450 meals twice monthly

- o for people in need both at the church and in surrounding communities
- O A member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew
- Served on teams to clean up and feed hurricane victims in parishes that were affected
- Greeter and Usher
- Participated as a member of the Stewardship Committee
- Led new rector search committee
- What would you most like to see accomplished during your three years of service on the vestry?
  - Continue and grow St. Paul's community outreach programs.
- What community groups and events are you involved in?
  - o ONE Wake
  - Racial Equity

## **VICTOR TALBIRD:**

- What do you like best about St. Paul's?
  - O Simply put, St. Paul's feels like a true community and home. We have parishioners from many different backgrounds and of all ages, but our common thread is that we are caring people working together for the improvement of the church and community at large. "All are welcome," is not just an empty gesture. St. Paul's truly means it and works hard to constantly live that ideal.
- What are some of your current and past parish ministry involvement and leadership positions at St. Paul's?
  - I have previously served on the vestry at St. Paul's. I also have worked with Children's and Youth Ministries, VBS, Preschool, the Stewardship Committee, and served as a lector.
- What are some of your past ministry involvement and leadership positions at your former church or parish?
  - O Growing up as the son of an Episcopal priest, I was involved in many different aspects of the church. I attended Sunday School from K-12th grade, participated in choir, was a member of EYC, and served as an acolyte (even at the 7 am service and during weddings). I definitely have seen many aspects of the Episcopal Church.
- What would you most like to see accomplished during your three years of service on the vestry?
  - O This is a time of great transition at St. Paul's as several members of our clergy have moved on to different opportunities in their lives. We could view it as a challenge, but it is also important to realize it is also a wonderful opportunity. As our Rector Search Committee is hard at work, the vestry can provide a stabilizing presence during all the exciting changes we have in our future. It is important to keep sight of all the wonderful ministries and outreach we do so well while making sure that we continue to grow and evolve as individuals and as a parish. I would like to see St. Paul's adapt to our new situation, whatever that may be, while continuing to hold on to our core values that make us such a special place.

- What community groups and events are you involved in?
  - As a parent of two young adolescents, I stay busy between theater performances, soccer games, karate, and the Triangle Rock Club for my children. I work as a guidance counselor at Green Hope Elementary School which allows me to do lots of work in the Cary community and allows me to constantly practice on improving my patience. With the remaining time I have, I play tennis in several adult leagues around Wake County.



Vicki Bradley



Katie Bricio



Tim Buckley



Mike Roithmayr



Victor Talbird