

Vestry Candidates 2024 – Biographies

Wendy Ciaburri



I began attending St. Peter's in 1987 – unbelievably I've been part of this community for 37 years! During that time, I've served on the vestry for two terms.

I'm currently a Software Product Analyst for Optum Insight and live in Cheshire with my husband Andy and husky, Skylar. I have 3 grown sons who grew up at St.

Peter's.

I have been a constant presence in our children's ministry. The most recent and longest time with the little ones, has been with the Godly Play program. I've also been Hospitality Chairperson for over 20 years and Pumpkin Patch Chairperson for 8 years. One of my passions is to go out into the community and give back. I do this by leading Chapel on the Green, CT Foodshare volunteering, the pumpkin patch, and being part of the Eco-Justice group and Active Hope Action Team. It would be my honor and pleasure to be on the vestry for the next 3 years, as I'm looking forward to what the future holds for this wonderful community soon and in the years to come.



Wendy Dringoli

I have been a member of St. Peter's for 10 years. I attend weekly with my two children Jack, 13, and Kensley, 9. I am a second-grade teacher in Meriden and was voted Pulaski's Teacher of the Year for 2024.

When I walked through St. Peter's doors 10 years ago, with Jack and my parents, I was looking for a community to raise my son in. I hoped to give him the experience of a "church family" like how I grew up attending St. Andrew's in Meriden where we were very active in the church community. Looking back, I am blessed that we walked through St. Peter's doors.

Wendy Dringoli cont.

My children have made friends and consider St. Peter's their other home and a safe place to be themselves.

I have been an active member of the St. Peter's parish. I served on the vestry for three years, ending last January. I am a strong advocate for our children, feeling passionately that they are the future of our church. I organize Family Service Sundays where our children fully participate in the service. I am a member of the liturgy committee and have helped in many community activities, including Christmas bazaar, pumpkin patch, Christmas pageants, summer children's camp program. I feel very blessed to be a member of this community.



Scott Gadwa

I grew up and have lived in half a dozen different places. I'm married to Suki with two children and two grandsons. I am now semi-retired and help with office chores for Suki's ecological consulting. My

employment background includes working as a bookseller and industrial purchasing agent. I enjoy podcasting as a hobby.

We joined St. Peter's when we came to Cheshire in the mid 1980's, and I have been active in choir and lectors for many years. I have previously served on the vestry and would be happy to return at this important time.



Molly Preudhomme

I've been a member of St. Peter's for 19 years. I've participated in the women's faith sharing group, Outreach, ECW and Greeters. This community has helped me grow in my faith and has been there for me

during both good and difficult times. I welcome the opportunity to be on the Vestry during this time of change to help keep this community vibrant and strong.



Deanna Rosak

I am currently serving on the vestry after being elected last year to complete the final year of a vacant vestry tenure.

I have been a member of St. Peter's for several years after attending St. Thomas Becket for 25 years. About 6 years ago, I began looking for a new spiritual home and after joining my friend Wendy at several St. Peter's services, I found that home.

I am always impressed by the warmth and welcoming feeling I get when I enter church on Sunday. I am married with three adult kids and three grandchildren. I have lived in Cheshire for 35 years. I am a retired speech pathologist and enjoy working with children of all ages.

I am honored to be again nominated for the vestry and look forward to continuing my efforts to help St. Peter's remain a strong, welcoming, vibrant community. Thank you.



Nancy Staab

I have been an Episcopalian all my life. My family and I joined St. Peter's in 1992 when we moved to Cheshire. To me, St. Peter's is family, and I am honored to have been nominated for the Vestry.

Over the years, I have served in various ministries and activities, including Sunday School teacher, Rite 13 leader, Shelter Now Breakfasts, Confirmation mentor, Cemetery superintendent, the Racial Understanding and Equity Group, Parish History Projects, Lector, Stream Team, and the Golf Tournament. I currently serve as Assistant Parish Agent.

My work background is in public education – I retired several years ago after a career as an elementary School Counselor. John and I now live in Middlefield with our beloved canine. We are fortunate that our son, daughter, and son-in-law all live in Connecticut!

It's an exciting and challenging time in the life of St. Peter's and I look forward to serving on the Vestry and contributing in any way I can.