



Candidates Standing for Vestry Election

November 8-15, 2026

WHAT IS THE VESTRY?

As we prepare to vote for new vestry members, here is some helpful information about what the vestry is, and how they serve the church. The vestry members are the elected, lay leaders of our church. We view church leadership as the *joint responsibility of the rector, the vestry, and the staff, and the partnership between all these leaders is quite remarkable.*

The rector exercises final oversight of the spiritual life of the congregation while the vestry oversees the temporal. We strive for a sharing of responsibility - the vestry is as concerned about spiritual formation and worship and outreach as it is about finances. The clergy and staff are as involved in temporal matters as in spiritual.

THIS YEAR'S ELECTION

The Vestry Election will begin on **Sunday, November 8** and end on **Sunday, November 15**. As in the last several years, voting will take place via an online platform called Election Buddy. Eligible voters will receive their ballot by email, and will be asked to vote for up to five of the 10 candidates who have graciously agreed to stand.

You can learn more about each nominee in the pages of this booklet. If you have any questions about the election, please reach out to vnec@tfcanglican.org.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE?

- A member of TFCA (with proof of baptism on file) ¹
- Not a member of another church
- At least 16 years-old.²
- Known as a regular worshipper at TFCA.
- Known as a regular contributor to TFCA.³

1. As of May 2022, new members must complete the Church's membership class or confirmation class.

2. 16-18-year-olds who are part of a contributing household do not need to make individual contributions.

a. Members 19+ are expected to make at least one contribution of any amount in order to be eligible to vote.

3. A regular contributor makes a financial gift of any amount to the Church's operating fund or debt reduction fund during the 12 months preceding the Vestry Election.

a. To be eligible to vote in November 2026, a financial gift must be received between October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026.

b. Cash contributions should be placed in an envelope with the member's name so they can be appropriately recorded



ELIZABETH FENDER

I joined TFCA in 2022 and was blessed to get plugged in right away with the prayer ministry, where I've served for the past four years at Prayer at the Rail, Rest & Receive prayer, in-depth prayer appointments, and providing facilitation and teaching. During that time I was also on the 20s & 30s Core Team, serving as a ministry engagement coordinator, events chair, and team co-leader. I'm also blessed to serve during Sunday services, as a Lay Eucharist Minister, on Altar Guild, and as Flower Guild

Chair in 2025.

In these roles, it's been my privilege to witness the great variety and diversity of gifts, skills, and people that make up the Body of Christ and that contribute to the local expression of that Body here at TFCA. I'm most fulfilled by opportunities I've had to speak and teach as part of the prayer ministry, in classes and Bible studies, as a small group leader, and at the Women's Ministry Quiet Advent Morning. It's both an honor and a joy to get to share what the Lord is teaching me and see how He is building up each member of our church.

I was raised in a Christian household and don't remember a time I didn't know Jesus. He became my closest friend and daily companion when I was 18 and experienced prayer ministry for the first time. Not only did I experience significant healing at the time, I also came to see Jesus as a living, dynamic person whom I could relate to daily, not just words on a page of the Bible or a person in ancient history. It revolutionized my spiritual life! Since then, I've become passionate about how Christ conforms our whole selves—heart, mind, body, and lives—into his image as we come to know and love him more deeply. I love watching this happen as I walk alongside people, in ministry and life.

I've lived in Old Town Alexandria for 16 years with my very orange cat, Teddy, since graduating from the University of Pennsylvania with a degree in political science and communications. For the past decade, I've worked in communications at a policy-oriented nonprofit, leading a cross-functional team in graphic design, brand expression and promotion, website, and general marketing as Director of Marketing. My current role oversees the in-person experience of the brand through interior design, donor recognition and experience, and event presence.



EMILY GIACOMINI

Initially invited by friends, I've attended The Falls Church Anglican since 2010, joining in 2011 after learning more about Anglicanism through the Confirmation class. Having become a believer at age six through the faithful witness of a Sunday School teacher, I worshipped in many other denominations as my family moved both domestically and abroad. Shortly after joining the church, I relocated to Pennsylvania in a job transition and chose to commute four hours once a month to worship at TFCA since I missed it so much. I was grateful to return to the area and the church in 2016.

Since then, I've been involved in the Healing Prayer ministry, Anglicans for Life and a couple of small groups. I've also had the chance to volunteer for three years on the Personnel Committee, serve a few times as a TFCA representative to the annual Synod for our diocese and present a break-out session at the 2023 Women's Conference.

As a Healing Prayer Minister at TFCA, I am blessed to see God actively meeting people at their point of need. It's a privilege to go to God with others at Prayer at the Rail after worship and in our monthly Healing Prayer services. Supporting our Anglicans for Life chapter on the Core Team lets me share with other parishioners the latest developments on this crucial topic, as we care for our most vulnerable brothers and sisters at the beginning and end of life, while also offering hope to people grieving infant loss.

As a Global Leadership Coach and entrepreneur, I'm excited to partner with leaders in the corporate, federal and military spaces as they hone their leadership capabilities and discern how best to cast vision and direct their teams for lasting impact.

What I love about TFCA is how deeply committed people here are to becoming more like Christ, eagerly receiving and applying the Word of God that is preached weekly with wisdom and intention. My heart is for each person to be seen and known as we encourage one another forward on the journey home. It is a blessing to be part of such a generous and sincere community of faith and it would be an honor to serve my fellow parishioners on Vestry, addressing whatever opportunities and challenges we will encounter in the next few years.



JASON KUYKENDALL

My wife, Lindsay, and I have called The Falls Church Anglican (TFCA) home since 2015. Our family has grown since we first joined this church. We are now raising JP (8), Leo (6), and Kayleigh (3) here, and we are excited to welcome our fourth child very soon. My faith journey began in childhood, and I am profoundly grateful for my upbringing in a Christian home where I came to know Christ at a young age. To this day, I am being transformed by the gospel as I learn and grow in my knowledge of Him. For the last nine years, Lindsay and I have been actively involved in a TFCA small group. It has been a vital source of fellowship and growth, sustaining us through various seasons of marriage and family life. Walking alongside other believers – sharing burdens, celebrating joys, and encouraging one another in our faith - has been one of the great blessings of our life at this church. Over the last four years, I had the privilege to serve at the church through Men's Ministry by supporting the monthly Men's Fireside Chats. Additionally, I serve as a member of the TFCA Finance Committee and I am an usher, welcoming parishioners to the 11AM service.

Professionally, I work in consulting at a large professional services firm. My undergraduate degree is from American University, where I was recruited to play soccer, and my M.B.A. is from Georgetown University. My love for soccer has come full circle as I now have the joy of coaching my sons' teams. When not on the pitch, I can be found enjoying time with my family and soaking up this busy, wonderful season of life with young children. I am grateful for the opportunity to stand for the Vestry. It would be an honor to serve and give back to this community that has blessed me so much.



RINGO LANZETTI

I am happily married to my amazing wife Gina and the proud father of Chiara (17), Gia (13) and Gabby (9). We live in Falls Church and have been attending TFCA for sixteen years.

I was baptized, first received Holy Communion and originally confirmed in the Roman Catholic Church. I do not remember a moment without loving Jesus and knowing Him as my Lord and Savior. I was married in the Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), the denomination in which Gina was raised and we worshiped together for several years. Shortly before attending TFCA, I helped launch a local North American Lutheran Church (NALC) as a biblically orthodox, Christ-centered alternative for faithful Lutherans wanting to leave the ELCA. Ultimately, the outstanding preaching, worship and children's ministries at TFCA made us realize God placed our family where He wants us.

My career began on Wall Street, followed by a practice leadership position at KPMG before founding a company over twenty-five years ago, which I still own and manage today. I also own and manage a real estate investment company. My career has focused on consulting, real estate and energy conservation solutions.

It has been a joy to serve TFCA over the years on the Welcome Team, Men's Retreat, Men's Fellowship, Synod and Youth Ministry. I have also enjoyed recently getting involved with the Fellows Program. I continue to be blessed by leading a Thursday Morning Bible Study, serving on the Property Management and Finance Committees, Board of Directors of 6565 Arlington Blvd, LLC, and Board of Trustees of Trinity Anglican Seminary.

Outside of work and volunteering, I enjoy spending time with my family, cheering for and playing with our girls on the soccer field and volleyball court, reading, baking and morning workouts & prayer with several TFCA friends. Our family has been truly blessed by this community and our roots being firmly planted right around the corner from the church.

Being nominated to stand for Vestry is quite an honor. If it is God's will to use the talents and time He has provided me to serve on Vestry, I will do so humbly, thoughtfully and with a grateful heart.



TREVOR MCFADDEN

TFCA has been my church home since 2007. My wife, Kelly, and I were married at the historic church in 2009. We have three school-aged children, and the oldest two participate in the church's youth group. I serve as a federal judge in Washington, D.C.

I am an usher and a member of the church's Security Committee. In the past, I've served on the vestry and with the church's marriage ministry, led a TFCA small group for young married couples, and volunteered with the Youth Ministry. I recently co-chaired the Diocese's Constitution and Canons Committee.

I grew up in a strong Christian home in Northern Virginia, and my family originally attended Truro in Fairfax City. I have also been part of vibrant non-denominational and Presbyterian churches prior to joining TFCA. I attended Wheaton College and UVA Law School, where I was president of the Law Christian Fellowship. I am passionate about sound doctrine, biblical teaching, and justice. I love our church, and It is an honor to stand for the TFCA vestry election.



ERIK NAGAOKA

My journey to the Falls Church Anglican began in 2018 when my wife, Annie, and I, fresh off our honeymoon, relocated to NoVA from the Hampton Roads area. We found TFCA early in our relocation and instantly felt at home. We loved the traditional and liturgical aspect of the Anglican service, strong theology, and opportunities for community outreach. Annie and I felt a strong calling from God that this is where we were meant to be. So, we established our roots and now have 3 children (Charlotte - 6, Lizzy - 4, and Leo - 1). Since joining TFCA,

I've been involved in multiple ministries, including the Young Adults Committee, Traditional Choir, Welcome Team, Fellows Program, and various small groups. God has instilled in me a strong love for community, discipleship, and mission. For example, my current interests, and perhaps ideas for TFCA, include: mentoring for young adults, mentoring for married men, faith-based marriage counseling, educational outreach, establishing sports teams for community engagement, and further advancing TFCA's mission of "making a big church feel small." Additionally, hospitality is a central part of Annie's and my life. We love bringing people together and regularly host an assortment of parties and events. The more kids the better!

Professionally, I work for the Food and Drug Administration, currently as a branch manager. 15 years of service in working for the federal government has taught me invaluable skills of building up a team from within, leading from example, recognizing strengths and building programs and teams around the strengths we already possess rather than constantly bringing in something or someone new. These experiences have shaped how I approach leadership and service, and I will bring that same mindset to serving TFCA if selected.

I believe the Spirit is actively at work at TFCA. I am continually blown away by the faith, wisdom, and love of the congregants. I am deeply grateful for the deep friendships I have established with members over the years. These friendships have had a deep impact on me personally, my faith, my family, and is proof that this is where God wants my family. I'm sure many of us, perhaps especially those with no immediate family in the area, appreciate this too.

It is an honor to stand for vestry. If selected I will do my utmost to faithfully serve Christ and TFCA.



CHARLES QUILLIN

I grew up in a small, rural town in the southwestern tip of Virginia, named Gate City. I thank God that faith in Jesus was a core family value for many generations. I feel fortunate my upbringing allowed significant time with both sets of grandparents. I was saved at church camp when I was eleven. College was an eye-opening experience for me. In college, I became acutely aware of my sinful nature, but God was always pursuing me and graciously called me to himself.

After moving to Northern Virginia in 2000, I attended The Falls Church first and then McLean Bible Church. While at McLean, I volunteered and led missions' trips and was part of a 10-year men's Bible study. My wife Alice and I became members of TFCA in 2018 and have supported and been involved with TFCA small groups, youth choir, Sunday School, and as a host family for the Fellows program. We are blessed to have two children, Charles Michael and Eliana Grace. We are grateful for this church, the pastors and parishioners who come along side us to help raise our children to know and trust Jesus as their Savior.

God allowed me to earn an engineering degree from Virginia Tech and MBA from the University of Virginia's Darden School of Business. During my time in Northern Virginia, I have started and scaled two different companies. I have served on non-profit boards, including on the board of Five Talents. I am honored to be considered for vestry. If selected, I pray I can be a vessel for God to do his work for the good of the church. My role will be to seek God's will and let him continue to lead The Falls Church Anglican and his people. May God increase and we decrease.



AIMEE RIEGERT

Thank you for this opportunity. TFCA has been part of my life for many years. Paul and I attended the “original” Falls Church while dating in 1989-90 and came home to TFCA in the fall of 2021 after thirty years of globe trotting with the US Marine Corps. True to our family motto, “The adventure continues,” we, together with our Lydia (now 17), hit the ground running. Thanks to the TFCA Children and Family Ministry team, Paul and I launched the Keeping the Faith parent discipleship group in January of 2021, which we continue to facilitate. Co-directing the 2025 TFCA All Parish Retreat deepened my appreciation of and affection for all of our church’s servant-leaders and pastors, whose selfless, behind-the-scenes work blesses us greatly. We are currently hosting our third TFCA fellow (which I highly recommend as a way to draw very close to the heart of God’s purposes for our church). Additionally, lectoring for Sunday worship services is one of my deepest joys. I have also been honored to serve as a team lead in the Refugee Care Ministry, co-lead the Hope and Healing Bible study for women and men seeking healing from post-abortion trauma, speak in breakout sessions and panel discussions during three of our Women’s Ministry events, lead worship music for the TFCA Prayer Ministers annual retreat on several occasions, and serve as a group leader at our amazing VBS.

Originally I was a Cajun-Texan hybrid who was drawn to Virginia by opportunities inside the beltway. I hold a dual B.A. degree in Mathematics and Foreign Language Studies from Southern Methodist University in Dallas. Paul and I celebrated our 36th anniversary this October and are grateful for the blessing of five children and nine grands. My professional career was transformed by my “yes” to Paul and to the Lord. I devoted the child-rearing decades to raising our kids; teaching in Christian schools and at home; and volunteering in our various congregations, the Marine Corps community, and civic and para-church organizations, including Care Net Pregnancy Care Centers, Young Life and the CS Lewis Institute.

In all these efforts I seek to do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with my Lord. In Him I live and move and exist, and I trust Him daily to keep me on a short leash. He is my Righteousness, my Counselor, my Comforter and my Joy.



CHRIS SMITH

I am honored to be considered as a candidate for vestry. TFCA has been a tremendous blessing to me and my family over the years, and I am grateful for the opportunity to give back and serve the church.

I grew up in Herndon, where my family attended church most every Sunday, but it wasn't until college that I began to understand the depths of God's love for us. Through several impactful people God placed in my life, I began developing a personal relationship with Christ and came to understand just how desperately I needed Him. My walk with Christ has been shaped by the people God has surrounded me with, and that has continued here at TFCA.

I have attended TFCA since 2013, where I met my wonderful wife, Emily, while we were both volunteering with the Youth Ministry. We got married in 2017 and have been active in a Small Group ever since, which continues to be an important part of our life at TFCA. We now have three beautiful children—Hayden (4), Graham (3), and Laurel (10 months)—and feel privileged to be raising them here in the church. God has shaped me through the people He placed in my life, and our prayer is that He will do the same for our children.

Professionally, I work for a real estate development and investment firm, where I oversee the development of projects throughout our region. For the past two years, I have had the privilege of using some of those skills in service to TFCA through my work with the LLC Board that manages the church's sanctuary and office building. God has blessed our church with a wonderful place where we can worship our King, grow together, and care for those in need. I am humbled to play my small part in stewarding that gift.

When I was asked to consider standing for Vestry, I was reminded of Samuel's response when the Lord called him: "Speak, for your servant is listening" (1 Samuel 3:10). That is the posture I hope to bring to Vestry—listening for where God is leading TFCA, seeking His wisdom alongside others, and faithfully serving the church that has given so much to me and my family.



BASSEM YOUSSEF

My wife, Leila, and daughters Rachel, Ashley and Andrea and I came to the Falls Church Anglican for a visit in April 2010. Since then we've made TFCA our home church and we give thanks to our Lord regularly for allowing us to be a part of this wonderful fellowship. The Lord has blessed us with tangible blessings as we join God's people at TFCA to follow the Lord on this incredible journey.

I was born and raised in Cairo, Egypt and was baptized as an infant in the Coptic Orthodox Church. The Lord blessed me with two God-fearing parents who attended church regularly. However, I did not have a personal and intimate relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, until several years after my family immigrated to the U.S. in September of 1972.

In 1986 the Lord Jesus opened my eyes to His grace and salvation and I gave my life to follow and serve Him. The Lord blessed me with the gifts of faith, evangelism and encouragement and early on in my walk with Him, He blessed me with a desire to pray and intercede for His people. Walking with the Lord Jesus for the past 40 years has been an amazing adventure unlike any other experience in my life. Experiencing God's faithfulness, forgiveness and provision for me and for His people has been and continues to build my faith and trust in God.

I retired 12 years ago from the FBI after a 26-year career in counterterrorism/counterintelligence, where I worked in Saint Louis, Los Angeles, Saudi Arabia, and Washington, D.C. at CIA and FBI headquarters. In 2020, I was Director of Investigations at the U.N. Security Council. Wherever the Lord placed us, I was prompted to start Bible studies and prayer groups at work. Leila and I have been greatly blessed to serve in the TFCA prayer ministry and have been serving in that capacity the past 15 years. I've also been involved in the Men's Ministry since 2016. It's been a blessing and a privilege to have previously served on TFCA's Vestry for two terms as well as two terms on the Standing Committee of our diocese, the Diocese of the Mid-Atlantic (DOMA). I'm also a delegate to the Provincial Council.



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