Vestry Candidates



Denise Crenshaw

Denise was, for 10 years prior to her retirement, Dean and Director of The Whitaker School of Theology (now the Whitaker Institute). She has been an active volunteer and Trustee of many charitable and educational institutions, including most recently Canterbury House at the University of Michigan. She is married to Kerry Crenshaw, a retired lawyer and member of Christ Church, and has three grown children and five grandchildren.



Carolyn Maher

Carolyn is 3rd generation member of Christ Church. She has been a kindergarten teacher in the Troy School district for 29 years. Here at Christ Church, she has taught Sunday school, including leading J2A, assisted with the Christmas Pageant for 20+ years & currently is a member of the Alter Guild. She also helped organize the first several Advent by Candlelight events. Carolyn & husband Kevin have 3 children.



Howard Matthew

Howard has been a member of Christ Church since 1989, when he and Megan Norris married. Over the years, he has participated and served in a variety of roles, including: two previous terms on the Vestry, with a term as Senior Warden; assisting with Meals-on-Wheels and Shelter Week; serving as a volunteer choir member and as the chief ski bum for J2A ski trips. When not indulging in soul-purifying, outdoor activities, he masquerades as a professor of Chemical Engineering and Biomedical Engineering at Wayne State University.



George Port

Originally from New York, George graduated from Vanderbilt University then served in the Army before beginning his career as a lawyer. He founded two companies (Anchor Bay Entertainment & Marvista Entertainment) before retiring in 2017. He has served as senior warden at two other parishes, served three terms as Trustee of EDOMI and has chaired the Investment Committee for over 15 years. George and wife Harriet have two daughters and four grandchildren.

Convention Delegates







Josephine Powell



Jim Treece

What is... Diocesan Convention?

Diocesan Convention is the ultimate organizational decision-making body of the Diocese of Michigan. It is comprised of clergy and lay members who come together for two days in late October to decide the Diocesan budget (based on

recommendations from the Budget and Finance Committee of the Diocesan Council), elects members of the diocese's various administrative, executive and judicial bodies and votes on any resolutions.



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