

Jennifer Collard



Jennifer began attending Christ Church Detroit in 2019 and was formally received into the Episcopal Church not long thereafter. Her journey there, like so many others, began in other churches, including the United Methodist Church, where she was raised and spent countless hours growing up.

Jennifer was especially drawn to the warmth of the Christ Church Detroit congregation, the vitality of the teaching, and the sheer beauty of the liturgy and music each Sunday. Since that time, both her children have been baptized at Christ Church Detroit, and most Sundays, you can find Jennifer and her spouse, Nathan, wrangling their almost four-year-old, Elizabeth (Ellie) and their one-year-old, Rowan, often with a mixture of awe and exhaustion.

Jennifer is a certified teacher and teaches English Language Arts to grades 9 and 10 at a local high school with a highly diverse population. In addition to her Bachelor of Arts in English, she also earned her Graduate Certificate in Dispute Resolution at Wayne State, and a Master of Arts in Communication from George Mason University, with a final master's project on Interfaith Communication.

Roberta "Bobbi" Gaspar



Bobbi grew up in the choir, junior altar guild and youth group in St. Peter's Cathedral, St. Petersburg, FL, and St. Augustine's, Rhinelander, WI. She was a youth delegate from Chicago to the conventions in 1969 and 1970. Over the years she worshipped in New York City; London, England; Hong Kong; and Larchmont, NY, before moving to Detroit. She raised four active children in the Episcopal faith.

She and her husband, Ed, joined Christ Church Detroit in 2016. She immediately was welcomed into the Altar Guild. Her LEM volunteering has also strengthened her faith. Bobbi has been a certified Physician Assistant for the past 23 years, and for the past two years she has worked with the Afghan refugee family covering their medical needs.

She continues to be drawn to Christ Church Detroit for its strong caring congregation, hospitality for all, beautiful music, and outreach work.

Sonia Jones



Sonia is a transplant from the beautiful island of Jamaica. She and her husband Desmond have been members of Christ Church Detroit since 2017, and her current ministries include coordinating the Usher Corps and being an usher herself.

Sonia and Desmond share two adult children, both of whom are software engineers.

Sonia is currently employed at a Senior Medical Center in Detroit.

Taylor Matthew



Taylor has been a Christ Church member since birth. Throughout childhood and her teenage years she participated in Sunday School, was part of the J2A group that hiked a portion of the Camino de Santiago in Spain, and served as an acolyte. She left Detroit for college and the few years that followed, before returning in 2020 to get her Master of Arts in Teaching. Upon her return, she joined the most recent J2A class as a co-leader and helped shepherd the previous class on their pilgrimage to Spain.

Taylor now works as a high school science teacher in a Detroit public school. She is member of the live stream team and works behind the screen to bring services to the dedicated CCD community that joins from their homes.

Jim Treece



Jim was previously on Vestry 2018-20, and served as Secretary during those years. Currently, he is a Lay Eucharistic Minister, an occasional member of the Livestream Team and Ushers, chair of the Stewardship Committee, a member of the Finance Committee, a delegate to the diocesan convention, a member of the diocese's Climate Change Task Force, and a Counter, tallying the week's offering. He also disposes of most of the church's recycling.

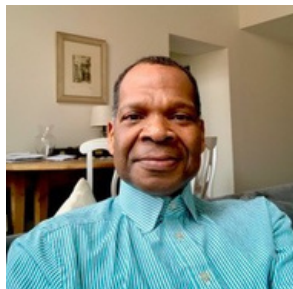
He was formerly a Trustee of the diocese. Kathryn and he joined Christ Church Detroit about a decade ago, after returning to Detroit after 12 years in Japan, where he had served on the West Tokyo Union Church steering committee.

Diocesan Convention Delegates

Ruth Boeder



Anthony Mitchell



Jim Treece



Alternate:
Paul Abdullah

