

Vestry Nominee: Mary Burris



1. NUMBER OF YEARS AT ST. PAUL'S

17 years

2. IF APPLICABLE, SPOUSE/PARTNER'S NAME, AND NAMES/AGES OF CHILDREN

James Burris (husband)

Rowan Burris (age 20)

Aaron Burris (age 16)

3. PLEASE SHARE A LITTLE ABOUT YOUR RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND AND HOW YOU CAME TO BE AT ST. PAUL'S

I was born and raised in the Episcopal Church. The first church I attended was St. James in Dundee, Illinois. This was followed by All Saints in Las Vegas, NV. We moved to Salt Lake City in 2004, but did not join a church right away. About 2 years later, we started to look at different Episcopal churches in the area. St. Paul's was the perfect fit. We especially enjoyed the community events, church school, and music. Both my kids were baptized at St. Paul's, attended church school, and were acolytes. Currently, my youngest is an active member of the choir.

4. HOW ARE YOU CURRENTLY PARTICIPATING IN THE LIFE OF THE PARISH (including which service you usually attend)?

Currently, I am in the choir and serve in the food pantry. Because I am in the choir, I attend the 11 o'clock service. Over the years at St. Paul's, I have been a greeter, lay reader, coffee hour host, and vestry member.

5. WHAT ARE YOUR AREAS OF INTEREST (WORSHIP, PEACE AND JUSTICE, FINANCE, ETC.)?

My areas of interest are music/choir, peace and justice, and community development.

6. WHAT ARE YOUR DREAMS FOR ST. PAUL'S?

I would love to see St. Paul's continue its growth into a well established multi generational diverse community and to continue its dedication to serving disadvantaged populations.