



Sarah Bricklemyer

Sarah Bricklemyer has been an active member of St. John's Episcopal Church since 2004 when she moved to her husband Clayton's hometown of Tampa. She was born and raised in Greensboro, NC, where her family was an active member of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. She attended their parish preschool, served as an acolyte, and she and Clayton were married there. St. John's has been an integral part of her life here in Tampa. Her boys, Jack and Tommy, were baptized at the church and both have enjoyed attending Sunday School and EYC and participating in the Christmas pageant. Sarah's involvement in the church has included volunteering with the children's ministries in a variety of roles, participating in the search committee for our current Director of Children Youth and Family Ministries, as well as regularly coordinating Moms' Meetup. Professionally, Sarah is a Contract Grant Writer and Consultant with local nonprofits with over 18 years of experience in community outreach. She loves the traditions and community that she has found at St. John's and would be honored to serve on the Vestry.



Alvie Casey

Alvie is a life-long Episcopalian and a Tampa native. She was baptized at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, and she and her husband, Lee, married there in 1985. They joined St. John's shortly thereafter. Their four children and two grandchildren were baptized at St. John's. Their oldest daughter, Virginia Casey Galavis, graduated from St. John's School, and Virginia and her family

are now active members of the Church. Alvie and Lee's youngest son, Jack, served as an acolyte.

Through the years, Alvie has been active in numerous ministries including teaching Sunday School, leading Vacation Bible School and serving on the Children's Ministry Renovation Team, Children's Ministry Committee and the Every Member Canvass. Currently she serves on the Holy Hospitality Team and the Church Life Committee. Husband Lee serves as an usher.

Alvie graduated from the University of Georgia with a B.A. in English. For the past 15 years she has worked as an interior designer with Marty Sears Interiors.

St. John's has been a source of joy and strength for Alvie throughout life's blessings and challenges. The church has nurtured her faith and her family abundantly, and she would be honored to serve on the Vestry.



Laura Cruse

I am honored to be nominated for the vestry of St. John's Church, a special part of the Body of Christ that has nurtured, supported, and grown with my family since 2004.

My family has been a member of St. John's Episcopal Church since 2004. I grew up attending the Methodist church in Temple Terrace with my grandparents and active in youth group. When Hugh and I moved back to Tampa after college, we started looking for our church home. We found our connection at St. John's and our 3 boys were all baptized here in 2007. Since that time, the boys have been active with Children's Church Sunday School and now are loving EYC and acolyting. We have participated with the summer Youth Mission trips and VBS for many years. I ardently supported my husband Hugh's volunteer activities at church as a Sunday School teacher and when he served on the Vestry several years ago. I have a great sense of peace and community in my involvement with SJE. We typically attend the 9:15 am service, though in 2020 we are usually online at 10 am with coffee and prayer book in each hand! (As much as I love coffee during church, I am looking forward to when we can all be safely worshipping on site outside of the cloud of the pandemic!)

We have supported many of the outreach opportunities at SJE, including Sandwich Sunday and Metropolitan Ministries, and most recently, LOVE, INC. Over the recent months, I have been growing in the Sacred Ground group, discussing race relations and diversity, and the role of the church to support all people.

I grew up in Tampa and attended Berkeley Preparatory School and then studied psychology at Emory University. My education continued at the University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine, specializing in Internal Medicine and Rheumatology. During medical training and private practice, I have volunteered at school in the lunchroom and various activities at Berkeley, as well as at the Judeo-Christian Clinic and the Catholic Charities for Migrant workers.

I currently practice Rheumatology at AdventHealth Medical Group, joining in 2019. My passions professionally and personally overlap as healthy food, healthy lifestyle, and healthy mind! I enjoy cooking, spending time with my family especially playing music together, where I am learning the ukulele. I also enjoy being outside in the garden, on the paddleboards and walking our dog.

St. Johns is a peaceful, loving, and accepting church. I am happy to support it in any way called.



Lockwood Gray

Lockwood is a 5th generation Floridian from the panhandle. He grew up in Pensacola being baptized and confirmed in the Episcopal Church at Christ Church Parish. He is a graduate of the University of Florida College of Business, Stetson University College of Law, and the University of Florida Graduate Tax Program. Lockwood and his wife, Shannon, have been attending St. John's for over 20 years and were married in the Church in 2001.

Lockwood's involvement at St. John's includes participating in the Faith Café ministry, serving as a host family of Sandwich Sunday, and previously co-chairing the Every Member Canvass in both 2016 and 2017.

Professionally, after moving to Tampa in 1994, Lockwood spent 6 years in private practice with the law firm of Annis, Mitchell, Cockey, Edwards & Roehn before moving to a position of in-house counsel with GATX Financial Corporation. For the past 15 years, Lockwood has been Associate General Counsel of PODS.

Lockwood and Shannon have been blessed with two daughters, Sophia (age 15) and Olivia (age 13) both of whom were baptized at St. John's and are active participants in the EYC and acolyting ministries.



Kevin Kellar

Kevin Kellar is a Tampa native who attends the 9:15 a.m. service at St. John's with his wife Beth and two boys Declan (13) and Brody (7). Being a father to their two amazing boys has been Kevin's greatest joy and blessing from God.

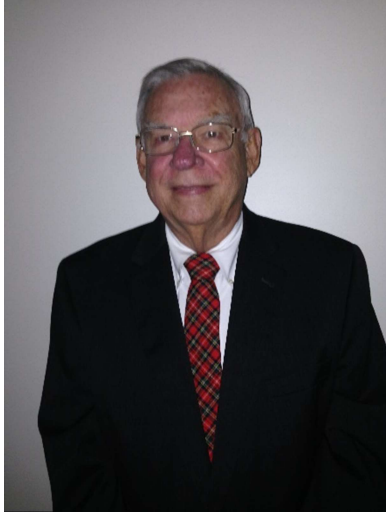
Kevin has been a member of St. John's for 37 years, attending as a child with his mother Donna (Meagher) Gem. St. John's has been a second home to Kevin, its members his extended family, and has had a profound impact on his life and faith. As a teenager he was active in EYC and participated in family retreats to DaySpring under the leadership of Flossie Adams. He fondly recalls listening to the boys' and girls' choirs under the tutelage of Ms. Ellie and Malcolm Wesley. He also served as an acolyte to Fr. Peterson under Paul Brokaw.

In 1993 Kevin left Tampa to serve in the USAF, stationed at Langley Air Force Base in Virginia during Desert Shield. He became a member of Emanuel Episcopal Church in Virginia Beach and in 2006 was married there to Beth. Declan was also baptized at Emanuel in 2008. In 2010 Kevin and Beth moved back to Tampa and became active members of St. John's. In 2015 Brody was baptized by Fr. Connelly.

Today Beth teaches elementary at Bible Truth and Kevin is a Software Developer with the Hillsborough County Clerk's Office.

Kevin is an active member of the Father's Ministry and has led the annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake dinner for 5 years now. He has served as LEV for homebound parishioners, served as teller for vestry elections, and co-chaired the Every Member Canvas team. He also organizes the annual Parish Canoe Trip since 2014. He served on the search committee in 2017 to identify and onboard Ayana Grady as Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries. In 2017 he made his Cursillo at DaySpring Conference Center and renewed his spiritual journey with Christ.

Kevin is honored to have the opportunity, if elected, to serve God and St. John's as a vestry member, working faithfully to encourage and facilitate both fun, family-centric events within our parish walls, as well as service-minded ministries in the Tampa community.



Ken Lane

I am a longtime Episcopalian and have been a member of St John's since 1959. I was born and raised in Tampa and attended Ballast Point School through the sixth grade. My mother passed away when I was twelve and since my father was sick and was not able to care for me and my brother, we were sent to St. Leo's in Pasco County from 1952 through 1956 when it was a boarding prep school and prior to becoming a College. In 1956, we transferred to Montverde Academy which is between Winter Garden and Clairmont where I graduated in 1959. I attended St. Petersburg Junior College and then after getting my AA Degree, went on to complete my Bachelor's degree in Accounting at USF. My wife, Cece, and I met in 1959 in Tampa and were married at St. Johns Episcopal Church in December in 1964. I previously served on the Vestry when John Peterson was Rector. I have served as the head usher for the 8:00 AM service for the last 10 plus years. After graduating from USF, I worked in the accounting industry and finally opened my own practice in 1972. In 1977 because my accounting practice served a special niche in the accounting community, I was invited to join Rex Meighen & Company where I continued to operate as a special department catering to small and new business. During my tenure with Rex Meighen, I got involved in computers, and as result of necessity, from 1952 through 1956 taught myself to program in both basic (for the PC's) and RPG (for the main frame's) in order to modify programs to fit special accounting needs. As the computer market began to evolve and change, I left Rex Meighen in 1983 and opened my own computer business whereby, I wound up specializing in law firms whereby they wanted to computerize their timekeeping and other aspects of word processing and legal research, etc., relating to law firm operations. In 1998, I finally retired from computer and accounting related services. During my time from the early 1970's to present, I invested in commercial real estate specifically for retirement purposes. Today, I still manage and operate my commercial properties. I have served as president of the Tower Club, and Las Caracolas, a condominium association and have also served on advisory boards to a number of business and organizations. Cece and I have a son and a daughter and both of which were baptized at St. Johns and both are married. We are also blessed with four wonderful grandchildren.



Rachel Long Mattox

Rachel Long Mattox has been a St. John's Episcopal Church parishioner for 25 years. She and her family joined St. John's upon moving to Tampa from Newport Beach, California, where she was an active member of St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church.

At St. John's, Rachel has participated in ministries including Holy Hospitality (shepherd initiative), Sunday school (trained in Godly Play), youth group (volunteer and mission trip chaperone), and lay reader. She is currently involved in St. John's Invite Welcome Connect program.

In the 10 years her daughter Julia attended St. John's Episcopal Day School, she volunteered for programs and events including reading partners, teacher recognition luncheon, and Celebratio—and served as a homeroom parent.

She is VP Content, Design Group for Emerald Expositions, the largest producer of trade fairs and conferences in the US.



Bruce Yost

A native Floridian, Bruce Yost grew up in Sarasota and earned a bachelor's degree in music education from FSU and a Master of Arts in Music Education from USF. Raised in the Baptist

church, it was not until he met his wife Amy, herself a life-long Episcopalian, that he “saw the light” and began attending St. John’s. They were married in the church in 1998 and Bruce was confirmed a few years later. Bruce has been teaching vocal music in Hillsborough County Schools for the past thirty-four years and is in his twenty-sixth year as the choral director at H.B. Plant High School in Tampa. He has also served as music director at Trinity United Methodist Church in Bradenton, and as conductor of the Gulf Coast Boychoir and USF’s Women’s Chorale and Men’s Glee Club. As an active member of the Florida Vocal Association, and American Choral Directors Association, Bruce has served as FVA District Chairman, Florida ACDA Membership Chair and Repertoire and Standards Chair for High School Choirs. Amy is an industrial-organizational psychologist and Principal Consultant with DCI Consulting Group. Their daughter Melinda works as a school psychologist in Charlotte, NC and their son Charley is in his sophomore year at Sewanee, the University of the South. The Yosts attend 9:15 services where they especially enjoy the beautiful music offered by our choir and organist and Bruce enjoys serving as an usher with his 4th Sunday crew. He is both honored and humbled by this opportunity to serve as a member of the vestry of St. John’s.