

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church Expectations for Vestry Members 2019

To be considered to serve on the Vestry, persons must meet the expectations listed below and meet the canonical requirements of being a baptized member of St. Barnabas in good standing and at least eighteen years of age.

The Vestry is the lawful board of directors of St. Barnabas, an ecclesiastical non-profit corporation as defined by the laws of the State of Colorado and the canons of the Episcopal Church. Vestry concerns include supervision and disposition of the temporal assets of the parish, including revenues, expenditures, investments, real property, and equipment. The Vestry plays a critical role in the discernment of God's will for the parish, and joins with the Clergy and Staff in articulating and implementing the mission and vision of the congregation. As such, the Vestry sets policy and provides leadership for St. Barnabas.

Members of the Vestry are elected to serve a three-year term. No member is eligible for re-election until one year after the end of the member's previous term.

Expectations of a Vestry Member:

To be regular in the worship of God through faithful attendance at worship services and through personal prayer.

To actively participate in Parish life, including attending as possible major functions such as the Annual Meeting, special all-parish meetings, and other special events.

To attend and actively participate in Vestry meetings: come on time and prepared, offer independent views and work collaboratively with other members.

To assume the temporal responsibilities of the congregation as directed by the laws of the State of Colorado, the canons of the Episcopal Church and Diocese of Colorado, and the Parish by-laws.

To be committed to and help establish the core values, mission, vision, goals, and policies of the Parish.

To commit personally to sacrificial giving of one's time, talents, gifts, and financial resources, including making an annual pledge for Operating & Ministry expenses.

To be responsible for accurate communication within the congregation and between the congregation and the St. Barnabas staff.

Serving on the Vestry at St. Barnabas calls for a desire to grow as a disciple of Jesus and as a leader in the St. Barnabas Church Community.