St. Bede's Vestry Slate 2025



Gwen Heaton – Gwen comes to St. Bede's from a Lutheran background where she focused on children's ministry. Since coming to St. Bede's in 2021 she has been a member of the Altar Guild, the Flower Guild, and the Invite Welcome Connect Team. Gwen also enjoys serving as a lector. Gwen worked for many years as a Registered Nurse, ending her career in nursing education and is now retired. She enjoys sharing church time with her three grandchildren. Because she has a strong belief in giving back the time God has given us, she looks forward to serving on the Vestry.



Shane Hunziker – Shane has been a member of St. Bede's for five years now, although having arrived just prior to the pandemic, you may have only gotten to know him over the past several years. In that time, he has served as Lector, Eucharistic Minister, and Crucifer. He has spent his whole life in the Episcopal Church and is especially grateful for his eight years spent with the Education for Ministry (EfM) program. Shane was previously a member of All Saints' Episcopal Church, Atlanta, where, among other ministries, he served on the committee for Carmie McDonald's discernment for the priesthood. He is employed as a Technical Lead Software Engineer with Cox Automotive and is somehow nearing his twentieth year there. Shane is blessed to be married to Julia and lives in Tucker with their two black kitties, Willow and Salem. He is excited to serve St. Bede's in whatever capacity he is able.



Martha Robert – Martha is a cradle Episcopalian and was a member of St. Bartholomew's, Atlanta for more than 25 years before moving from the metro area in 2013. She was an educator in Decatur schools and then financial administrator of Nicholas House and the Atlanta Children's Shelter. Martha was executive director of the Chattahoochee Valley Episcopal Ministry in Columbus GA for more than 7 years before retiring and returning to Atlanta (east Gwinnett!) in 2022 to "hang out" with her now eight-year-old granddaughter after school and whenever else she can. Since returning to Atlanta, Martha has found a home at St. Bede's. She has participated in the parish's Sacred Ground Circle and is a current member of the Outreach Committee and the Contemplative Living group. She also is finishing a provisional year with the Order of St. Anna the Prophet, taking novice vows on February 1st. Martha looks forward to serving St. Bede's on vestry and in growing together in faith and action as God's body in the world.