



TRURO CHURCH



Vestry Elections 2010

We will be electing seven of the following nominees for Vestry. Voting will take place at Truro's Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, April 25, 2010, 1:00 pm in the Main Church Building.



Philip Dame

Phil has been attending Truro Church since around 1985, and has been a member since 1988. He and his wife live in Annandale. Their two grown children now

live with their families. Phil believes Jesus Christ has walked beside him all his life. He came to understand that reality when he was in his fifties, through conversations with his wife Linda; attendance at Truro Church; and confronting an empty space in his life. Linda says Phil's commitment as a Christian has changed him. He is more aware of the needs of others, and considers himself a work in progress. Phil devotes some time each day to bible study and prayer. His walk by faith in Christ has evidenced itself by a growth in faith, patience, and loyalty.

Phil retired after 38 years as Deputy Assistant Director of Budget Review in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). As a White House staff agency, the OMB staff assists the President in matching the needs of Executive Branch agencies with the President's budget, legislative, regulatory and management priorities. He has also served two years as Chairman of the Board of the White House Athletic Center, and on the non-profit Board of Directors, of the DC region, Sports Car Club of America (SCCA).

He is involved in a home group, the men's ministry, the Lay Eucharistic Ministry (LEM), and the group that counts tithes and offerings to Truro. He has also been active in Alpha.

He will be able to assist the church through the Vestry by bringing his executive leadership experience to the task of relating the needs of the congregation to the Rector's and the Vestry's objectives and priorities.

He senses that God wants him to do the following in the life of the church in the next three years: To assist in handling the remaining process and ultimate outcome of the property litigation and to help develop and translate the Rector's and Vestry's vision for Truro into a working reality.



Beth Dorman

Beth has been attending Truro Church since 1989 and a member since 1991. She and her husband, Dan, and their three children live in Springfield. She

became a Christian by observing the faith of other family members including her parents and grandparents. She was baptized in the Lutheran church as an infant but personally committed her life to the Lord Jesus Christ at the age of 10. She believes that being transformed into the likeness of Christ is a process that started in childhood and will continue for the rest of her life. Seeking God's will through prayer and Bible study have always been important anchors for her faith. Being a part of the Christian community through Truro Church has provided her family with many rich and lasting blessings.

Before Beth was married she worked as an audiologist, spending part of that time working in Kuwait, participating in short term missions and traveling. Currently, she enjoys being a parent, homemaker and community volunteer. She has been involved in a variety of Truro activities and ministries including Vestry Service 2003–2007 (Outreach AOM), Home Group Leader, Mother's Ministry Coordinator and Dance Ministry assistant, Parish Retreat (Shrine Mont) and Women's Ministries.

She will be able to assist the church through the Vestry as a result of her interest in the well being (peacefulness) of the Christian relationships including individuals with God, as well as, marriage, family, and youth.

During the next three years, Beth senses that God wants us to keep our focus on the riches that we have in Christ Jesus, trusting Him to provide for our needs. Relying on the strength of community will also be important.



Christopher Hayes

Christopher Hayes has been attending Truro Church since 1996 and a member since 2000. He and his wife and their two children live in

Vienna. He became a Christian in 1974 when he accepted Jesus Christ as personal Lord and Savior. After years of trying to run his life his way, he realized that God had a different purpose for his life. He renewed his relationship with Christ around 2000 and began to actively participate at Truro. His faith has been growing stronger each year and he look's forward to what God has in store for him in the future.

Christopher is employed as an environmental graphic designer with Cannon Design in Arlington. He will be able to assist the church through the Vestry as a result of his creative, goal-oriented construction and event planning skills.

Christopher has been active in a variety of activities and ministries including fellowshipping in a home group from 2005–2007, starting a teen fellowship group in his home (September, 2009), teaching 5th–6th grade boys in the Children's Ministry Sunday School from 2002 to the present, and co-leading the Shrinemont Youth Program for 5th-8th grade boys during the past three retreats.

He senses that God wants to continue to provide a well rounded all inclusive youth program dedicated to bringing our youth closer to Christ in an environment that is safe with increased programs, activities and initiatives.



Kekelwa Nyaywa-Dall

Kekelwa has been attending Truro Church since 1999, and a member since 2000. She lives in Fairfax, Virginia, and has four

adult children who live out of state.

Kekelwa was baptized as an infant and confirmed during her teens in the Methodist church. She met Christ at a personal level—accepting him as her Lord and Savior—and became born again in September 2003. Her life has been transformed since then. The Bible became her daily devotional guide, and prayer became an integral part of her life. God's grace and mercy sustained her through a painful divorce that occurred after many years of marriage. Indeed, it was during that trial that the Father, through His son the Lord Jesus, and by the working of the Holy Spirit, saved Kekelwa and brought spiritual light into her life. She was received into the Anglican communion at Truro Church in 2004 at a confirmation ceremony presided by former Archbishop Carey.

Kekelwa has been active in a variety of activities and ministries at Truro. She has assisted as helper and co-leader for Alpha; she is a member of the Truro Healing Prayer Ministry; she initiated divorce care ministry at Truro to assist people going through divorce or separation, and is co-facilitator of New Beginnings Divorce Care at Truro; she was member of a home group (but due to meeting times was not able to continue); she is actively involved with a ladies fellowship group that meets monthly and plans to do Bible studies together after the lent devotional studies; she has participated in meetings and activities of TIPS, Mothers' Union, and the East African action group whenever possible. She has also volunteered at the Lamb Center on alternate Saturday mornings per month during the past four years (except the last couple of months due to a fall on icy snow, and recovery from ankle surgery).

Kekelwa is employed as a Director, Client Services with American Healthcare Professionals, Inc. in Vienna, Virginia. She believes she would bring to the Vestry the following skills: ability to work with others in

prayerfully discerning the mission and vision of our church in consultation with other Vestry members, clergy and parishioners; and management skills, including those she developed as a former Manager/CEO/small business owner of Kenoly Home Care LLC, an agency that assisted patients and other clients in need of health and personal care services in their homes.

Kekelwa believes God wants to do the following in the life of the church in the next three years: To continue on the path of hospitality and outreach to the homeless and other vulnerable groups, including the elderly in our church; reach out to our neighbors in Fairfax, including the county government, to improve relations by example and by assisting at community events and activities; promote inter-faith dialogue, as Tory has encouraged, and supporting or collaborating with Christian missions abroad.



Charles Strother

Charles Strother has been attending Truro Church as a member since 1976. He and his wife, Kathy, live in Delaplane, Virginia, on a farm which he now owns

and operates. They have two sons.

Charles served in the US Army Infantry, has worked as a General Agent for a major insurance company for over thirty years and has served on the Board of Randolph Macon Academy for thirty years.

Charles has been active in a variety of activities and ministries including serving as Home Group leader in Springfield for fifteen years and a Scoutmaster for ten years. Charles and Kathy have prayed as a part of the Prayer Ministry at Sunday Services, and have taught Sunday School classes. Together, they founded Victory Thru Jesus ministry in 1991 as a part of Truro Outreach, on which they continue to serve. They were called to work with children and youth, conducting children's Bible camps in their home, at Rehobeth Beach, and at the their farm as well as programs for teens and the Red Barn services. They have been on mission trips to Brazil, Bolivia, Jamaica, New Orleans and Nicaragua.



Dan Van Ness

Dan has attended Truro Church since 1981 and been a member since 1982. He, his wife and their son live in Arlington. He became a Christian as a child growing up

in a pastor's home. Being part of a Christian family from birth gave him a rich spiritual heritage, one that he has appropriated more fully as an adult. Several profound experiences in his adult life have led him to a deepening awareness of the limitless love of God for him and all people and instilled in him a passion for justice and peace.

Dan has been active in a variety of activities and ministries at Truro. He served on the Vestry from 1992-93 and 2002-05 (as Senior Warden in '04-'05). He was a member of the search committee that proposed Tory Baucum be called as rector. He chaired the committee that raised a million dollars for Truro to defend itself and its property against lawsuits by TEC and the Diocese of Virginia. He is a volunteer in the Prison Aftercare Ministry, and he and his wife are home group leaders. He has served on a variety of other committees and task forces and has at various times been a member of the parish choir.

Dan is employed as Executive Director of Prison Fellowship International's Centre for Justice and Reconciliation in Lansdowne, Virginia. He believes he will be able to assist the church through the Vestry by offering his work and faith background; his experience as a leader in Christian ministry; his communication skills; his heart for the poor; his conviction that people in conflict can achieve reconciliation if they are ready for peace; and his nearly 30-year perspective on Truro's life and ministry.

He senses that God has brought Tory to Truro to help us (1) become a parish whose life is characterized by love and wholeness out of which we can (2) freely offer radical hospitality and (3) constantly invite people around us to enter into God's life and love. With God's grace we will grow in all three areas.



Brian Walsh

Brian Walsh has been attending Truro Church since May 2008 and has been a member since October 2009. He, his wife Julie, and 4 of their 5 children live

in Burke. Brian became a Christian when he was 13 years old. He was raised in a Christian church but had rejected the Gospel about three years earlier. When the Holy Spirit revealed to his heart the eternal consequences of his decision, he cried out to Jesus to save him. His walk with Christ was erratic until he learned as a young adult about the indwelling presence and power of the Holy Spirit. Along with various trials and setbacks, since then he has generally experienced growth in faith and in the knowledge of the love of God for him, for other believers, and for the unsaved.

Brian is employed as a Senior Legal Research Fellow with the Heritage Foundation in Washington, D.C.

Brian has been active in a variety of Truro activities and ministries including: Vestry service since October 2009; Truro youth ministry (Sunday small group leader) since September 2008; and Jim and Donna Moulton's home group since November 2009.

He will be able to assist the church through the Vestry as a result of his legal experience, study and knowledge of the proper structures and processes of godly governance, and experience leading disparate individuals with disparate interests to find common ground.

He senses that God wants to do the following in the life of the church in the next three years: Move us beyond the disaffiliation/litigation; increase peace and unity among us; and use a gifted, devoted congregation to strengthen other believers and congregations.



Emily Xiaoxia Wang

Emily Xiaoxia Wang has been attending Truro Church since 2000 and a member since 2005. She and her parents live in Vienna. Emily

is from China where she grew up believing in self-making and material success. She was an atheist and a great sinner, walking in darkness without knowing it. Her faith journey started at Truro's Christmas Eve service in 1999. Seeing all the faithful's hearts point up to one direction (no more individualism!), she was greatly puzzled and enchanted. TIPS and the Alpha Course provided her the chance to learn about Christianity. More importantly, the living testimony of faithful Christians and the Lord's sanctifying fires have brought her to a closer walk with God. She desires and is firmly committed to living a holy life. She has peace, joy, and love.

Emily is employed as an Investment Officer with International Finance Corporation of the World Bank Group in Washington, DC.

She has been active in a variety of activities and ministries. She was a group discussion leader in three Alpha Courses, where she learned leadership skills for evangelism. She was involved in TIPS on an ad hoc basis where she could share the Love with people from all nations. She is currently in the Newcomer Welcome Ministry and has been working with a group of mature single ladies at Truro to form a love and care circle.

She will be able to assist the church through the Vestry as a result of her obedience to God, ability to love and understand people from diverse background, ability to apply her financial and team skills.

She senses that God wants to do the following in the life of the church in the next three years: Church unity within Truro and with other parts of Christ's body, evangelism to intentionally advance God's kingdom and discipleship to help believers grow deep in Christ and be truly transformed, and church of love among each individual of the congregation and extend to the world.



Chip Wedan

Robert "Chip" Wedan has been attending Truro Church since 2002 and a member since 2010. He and his wife, Bette Jo, live in Lorton, Virginia. He

became a Christian in 1971 in his senior year of high school. In his words, "I sensed a deep void in my heart. Although the social pressures of high school made me first aware of this void, I knew it was a chronic problem and I had to find a permanent answer. The fulcrum principle, which brought me to spiritual crisis and then to salvation, was Jesus' words - "I did not come for the righteous but for sinners." At first I felt excluded because I never considered myself to be a sinner. However, I began to see that sin encompasses much more than murder and theft. As stated in 2 Samuel 16: "Man looks at the outward appearance, but God looks at the heart". When I realized that my thoughts and the condition of my heart were well within God's domain, I knew there could be no escape and no place to hide. I am a sinner indeed. This thought, though depressing to some became my great hope. Through it, I finally realized that Jesus had come for me and I prayed for His help. Gratefully, my goal since then has been finding what it means to let Jesus be Lord in my life.

Chip is employed as an attorney with the Department of Defense and has been active in a variety of activities and ministries including Home Group and Ushering.

Chip will be able to assist the church through the Vestry as a result of his significant management and leadership experience gained from his 28 years in the U. S. Navy.

Chip senses that God wants to do the following in the life of the church in the next three years: "Truro already has a wonderful vision. Internally, it is committed to scriptural truth and personal growth. Externally, it is committed to being a witness to our surrounding community. That's a great course and I'm excited to be a part of it, whether on the Vestry or not."



Tammy Wells-Putz

Tammy has been attending Truro Church since 1992 and a member since 1994. She and her husband, Will, live in Fairfax,

Virginia with their 7 year old son, Joshua and Matthew who is a resident student at UVA Wise.

In my Christian walk it has been remarkable to look back and see how God has been at work since childhood. Though baptized as a baby I was not raised in a Christian home. The years leading up to becoming a child of God were full of moments of hearing His call, but then turning away and forgetting the yearning that He had placed in my spirit, self-sufficiency being my trophy. During a tumultuous time, and finally in obedience to the calling of God's voice, God revealed himself to me at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh, NC. I was 26, and gave my heart to Him commencing a new life journey. On my knees realization came that only in Him is there true strength. Some years later, the Lord's leading was strong; willing me to attend the 1st Alpha Course being held at Truro, and it was there that I became fully aware of the work of the Holy Spirit, asking for His power to penetrate my life. My walk with God has continued to be shaped and molded as I wrestle with my sinful nature and re-learn to rely on Him always for all my needs. In recent years, my walk has been principally shaped as a Fellow through vigorous teachings by C.S. Lewis Institute in many areas such as grace, discipleship, evangelism and prayer.

Though Tammy's vocation has specialized in Marketing and Business Development, two years ago she stepped aside from a successful 17 years career to focus on non-profit ventures and family interests.

Tammy with her husband, Will continue to serve as Home Group Leaders, for well over 10 years. She also serves as a leader for Peacemakers Ministries Home Church Committee, former

Acolyte Director, Alpha Small Group Leader and Welcome/Bread Ministry.

With the new vision of Truro Church and the Vestry, Tammy will be able to serve the body at Truro through various leadership and conceptual marketing abilities, as well as her Peacemaking conflict coaching skills, serving the Vestry and the Body of Truro to glorify God in all circumstances, assisting all to look to the interest of others for vital teamwork and communication.

Tammy senses that God is leading Truro to intentionally increase evangelism efforts, reaching unbelievers and seekers in our community and beyond. This will mean education of Truro members to confidently engage our postmodern culture as authentic witnesses living out the message, as well as learning and applying postmodern language and expanding the Newcomers Ministry, as well as supporting and strengthening our Home Churches, Marriages and Families.



Tom Yates

Tom has been attending Truro Church since 1996 and a member since 1996. He and his wife and their two children live in Clifton.

Tom attended Truro as a child and grew up in a Christian family. He has always believed that Jesus died on the cross for his sins. As a college student he realized that God wanted to have a relationship with him and He wanted to be Lord of his life. He has experienced the Lord's power, protection and guidance since that time.

Tom is employed as a lawyer with Yates, Campbell and Hoeg in Fairfax and he has been active in a variety of activities and ministries. He has been Junior Warden on the Vestry. He was a member of the Search Committee that proposed Tory Baucum be called as Rector and Chairman of the Stewardship Committee. Also he has been on the Finance Committee, Love The World Fellowship Leadership Team,

Trustee of Truro Property, Youth Group Bible Study Leader, Home Group, ADV Delegate, Contingency Planning Task Force, Assisted with Legal Defense and Scenario Planning Task Force.

Tom will be able to assist the church through the Vestry as a result of his commitment to the Church and because of his legal background.

Tom senses that God wants to do the following in the life of the Church in the next three years: Follow the lead of the Holy Spirit specifically opening our hearts to others outside the Church and he believes that we should live out our vision.

When Choosing Vestry Candidates...

From the Truro By-Laws, the following criteria for Vestry membership apply: *An individual must be confirmed. Paid staff and their spouses are excluded from Vestry service.* Candidates should be mature Christians; worship God regularly, lead an active prayer life; know and study the Bible, be cheerful givers, and have family relationships that reflect strong Christian commitment. Candidates should be recognized as leaders, bring a useful skill to the Vestry and have enough time to be able to serve effectively and make a commitment to put Vestry service high on the list of personal priorities. Vestry membership should not be considered as an honor for past service, but as a commitment for future service.

Voting Eligibility Requirements...

Lists of voters currently eligible to vote are available in the Welcome Walkway, Common Grounds, and Reception Room. If you are not sure if you are eligible to vote, please check the list or contact Doug LeMasters, Parish Administrator, at 703.273.1300, ext. 110.

Parishioners who are eligible to vote in this year's Vestry Election will be able to pick up their ballots at 12:30 pm–1:15 pm in the Undercroft on April 25. Proxy or absentee voting is not allowed by Truro's bylaws.
