



The 224th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Virginia

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Elected Positions Nomination Form

Name: Christie Thomas

Position Sought: Standing Committee-Lay Order

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Church Name, Location St. Paul's Memorial Church at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville

Please provide a biographical sketch for publication, including elected or appointed positions or ministries held at the parish, provincial and/or national church level and highlighting why you would like the position and believe you are qualified. Please include a digital photograph with the nomination form.

Professional/Educational Background:

I have worked in non-profit Finance/Operations and Development roles for The Nature Conservancy for more than 17 years. Prior to this, I was Treasurer for the Town of Cape Charles, VA for a brief time, and for 14 years I served as Assistant Vice President of Human Resources for a N.C. based regional bank holding company.

Education:

- B.S. in Business Administration, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- Certified Employee Benefits Specialist, The Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania and the International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans (*certification not currently active*)

Church Involvement:

- Vestry 2012 - 2014, including Sr. Warden in 2013 and 2014
- Finance/Operations Committee 2012 - 2014
- Chair, Rector Search Committee (October 2015 – September 2016)
- Vestry 2017 - present, including Sr. Warden in 2017
- Member of several parish discernment committees for those seeking ordination
- Lay Eucharistic Visitor
- Sunday School Teacher
- Choir member

Pertinent Skills You Bring to this Work:

I bring a servant's heart and a long-time, deeply involved commitment to The Episcopal Church. I also bring more than 30 years of experience in positions that require confidentiality, discretion, diplomacy and solid teamwork. I am a patient, interactive listener and am naturally solution-oriented. I have a strong financial background, have human resources/people know-how, and am an experienced project manager and communicator.

Why Do You Wish to Serve?

This is a tender time for our Diocese, and I would like to do my part to continue its good work alongside fellow members of the Standing Committee, using patience, gentleness, authenticity and loving-kindness as touchstones.



Mail, fax or e-mail completed form no later than **Wednesday, October 17, 2018** to:
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