

CANDIDATE FOR WARDEN – Diane Stewart

In 1972 my teaching career started in St Mary's County, Maryland. John and I were married in Trinity Episcopal Church, St, Mary's City, Maryland. As a side note, the church was built of bricks from Maryland's first State House and the first Episcopal Church of Maryland. We were active members. Growing up in church families, it was the natural thing to do.

In August of 1975, my family moved to Long Island so that John could continue his career at Grumman. My career continued at BOCES Westhampton Beach Center until I retired in June of 2011. Our first Sunday on Long Island, we were encouraged to visit St Marks church by our Landlord. It quickly became our parish and I became involved in Sunday School, Couples Club, Youth Choir, and the Women's Seabury Group.

Throughout the years my role has changed. From the years of teaching Sunday School, CoChairing Coffee Hour, Cochairing the Bread and More Program, and Assisting in Youth Events such as Halloween Parties, Christmas Pageants, St Patty Day Floats, Cookouts, and overnight Ski Trips. Our Daughters, Tricia and Heather were blessed to have a Church Family that cared.

In recent years, I have been involved with the Holiday Luncheons, Chili Cookoffs, Grubby Sundays, the Celebration of our Church Family History, and serving on the board of Bright Beginnings.

My continued work with the Ladies of the Altar Guild has given me the opportunity to become more aware of our Church Calendar and special services. It is a gift to be able to serve our Church Family and make their visit to our Lord's Table Special.

I have previously served on Vestry during Rev. Busler time at St. Marks Church. It has been a pleasure to serve with dedicated vestry members who give of their time and talent freely to ensure that the business part of running our Church Home is dealt with and that spiritual activities happen. I look forward to serving our Church Family.

Your Servant in Christ,

Diane Stewart