University Presbyterian Church Nominating Committee Report

Presented at the Congregational Meeting Sunday, August 28, 2016 at Noon

The nominees in this report are presented by the Nominating Committee to serve the congregation of University Presbyterian Church.

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*Youth, one-year term

Nominating Committee, Two-Year Term, Class of 2018

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We recognize and thank the Nominating Committee for their work in identifying such a capable group of nominees. A special thank you to Portia Christensen, who wrote the short biographies of the nominees in this report.

The 2016 Nominating Committee is comprised of: Aaron Cook, Portia Christensen (Chair), Claire Curran, Bob Dunham (Staff Liaison), Adam Lovelady, D.G. Martin, Amy McEntee, Joan Page, Linda Plunkett, Marc Pons, Brian Vandersea

The 2017 Nominating Committee will be comprised of: Lee Ann Buck, Aaron Cook, Jim Copeland, Claire Curran, Bob Dunham (Staff Liaison), Bob Johnson, Vicki Lotz, Adam Lovelady, Linda Plunkett, Brian Vandersea

Nominees For Elder Class of 2019



Katie Billings (Youth Elder)

Katie Billings was baptized at UPC and confirmed in 2014. She has participated in Children's, Junior and Youth Choirs and Presbyterian Youth Connection (PYC). Along with attending Sunday School, she participated in Vacation Bible School (VBS) and then volunteered for VBS. At East Chapel Hill High School Katie is on the volleyball team

and is active in student government. Katie is the daughter of Ed and Lyn Billings and the sister of Sam.



Mark Bozymski

Mark Bozymski is an ordained deacon and a member of UPC since 2004. A resident of Chapel Hill for more than 40 years, Mark is a member of the Carrboro/ Chapel Hill Bicycle Coalition. At UPC he was a member of the Nominating Committee and the Chancel Choir and attended the Men's Study Group. He has taught Sunday School for several

years. Mark is the husband of Mary Bozymski and father of nine-year-old Abigail and ten-year-old Sarah. He recently started a new position at Quintiles.



Jamie Bryan

Jamie Bryan has lived in Chapel Hill for 41 years and been a member of UPC for 30 years. He has three children ranging in ages from 16 to 27. Jamie is an ophthalmologist who has served as a board member on the Public School Foundation and Durham Shelter (Urban Ministries). In service at UPC, he has been an elder and deacon, served on the

Nominating Committee and taught Sunday School.

Mark Moshier



Mark Moshier joined UPC when he moved to Chapel Hill 12 years ago. He has hosted Punch on the Porch, supported the Children's Choir musicals, taught high school Sunday School, been an offering counter and been a member of the Building Committee. In the Chapel

Hill community Mark has been a member of the East Chapel

Hill Rotary, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Chapel

Hill Advisory Board. Mark founded the Principal Legacy Real Property Group. He and his wife, Elizabeth, have a daughter, Bella.



Bart Phillips

Bart Phillips joined the UPC church family two years ago. Bart has taught in the Connections class and chaired the Local Outreach Committee. He volunteers at the Inter-Faith Council (IFC) Community House, a residential facility for homeless men, and participates in the annual IFC CROP Hunger Walk. With his church in Penn-

sylvania, Bart taught Sunday school for children and youth, taught in the HOPE prison ministry and was an elder. Bart works as a cellular molecular biologist at NIEMS. He is married to Vicki Phillips.



Lee Scott

Lee Scott moved to Chapel Hill 20 years ago with his wife, Myrah. They have three children. Their four grandchildren range in age from 17 to 22 years old. After becoming a member of UPC in 1996, Lee has served as an elder and trustee and was a co-director of the *Faith Forward* Capital Campaign. He is a member of the Global Outreach

Committee and is a board member of Mission for Hope in Lesotho, Africa. He has been a teacher and discussion leader for the Connections class at UPC and a mentor for the 2016 confirmation class. Lee's community involvements include past president of East Chapel Hill Rotary and member of Durham/Orange County Estate Planning Council. Lee is currently the Senior Vice President for Wealth Management and Institutional Consultant at UBS Financial Sources.



Kelli Smith

Kelli Smith is a teacher in the Chapel Hill Public Schools. She was a mentor with the Blue Ribbon Mentor-Advocate program. Her work as a three-year member of UPC includes serving on the Children and Youth Ministry Committee and as a 5th grade Sunday School teacher. She has been an usher and a greeter and is a member of Pres-

byterian Women's Circle 5. Kelli and her husband, Scott, have a daughter, Morgan, and a son, Brian.

Nominees For Elder Class of 2019, cont.



Jackie Soderling

Jackie Soderling moved to Chapel Hill from Oregon with her husband, Scott, and children, Ben and Anna. They joined our church family in 2009. Jackie works as an administrative assistant to the chairman of Cell Biology at Duke University. At her former church, Jackie was the nursery/pre-school coordinator. At

UPC she is a member of the Children's and Youth Ministry Committee and has taught high school Sunday school. Jackie also serves as a Girl Scout leader, member of the PTA, and teacher supply coordinator at Morris Grove Elementary School. Jackie enjoys spending time with her family, as well as hiking, traveling and biking.



Ashley Wilson

Ashley Wilson is a retired nurse. She and her husband, John, have an 18-year-old son, Wade, and a 13-year-old daughter, Eleanor. Ashley moved to Chapel Hill from Hickory, NC, and joined UPC in 1999 and has been a very active member ever since. She has served the church as an elder and Sunday school teacher; she chaired the Mental

Health Taskforce and the Stewardship Committee, and she's been a confirmation mentor and worked on the tech crew for Youth Choir musicals. In the Chapel Hill community Ashley worked with the Public School Foundation and the UNC-Horizons Program and has been active with school PTA and booster clubs.

Nominees For Deacon Class of 2019



Barbara Hedgepeth

Barbara Hedgepeth moved to Chapel Hill 14 years ago and very soon after joined UPC. She continued the active church participation she enjoyed in Wilmington and in Alabama. Barbara has taught Sunday School to threeand four-year-old classes and worked on Advent Crafts Festivals. She has served as a greeter, an usher and on the *Faith For*-

ward Capital Campaign mailing team. Barbara's volunteer work has extended to the community where she has participated in Fearington community activities and worked with the Chatham County Board of Elections. Barbara's employment history includes teaching children with emotional conflict issues in Selma, AL, Girl Scout Council Field Director, Medicaid Waiver case manager and work with elderly and disabled clients. Barbara and her husband, Martin, have two daughters, Caroline Walter and Courtney Edwards, and two grandchildren, 11year-old Martin and 13-year-old Griffin.



Leslie Hicks

Leslie Hicks was born in Chapel Hill and enjoys continuing to be a part of the Chapel Hill community with her husband, Tom. Leslie has been a member of UPC since 1980. She has volunteered in the church nursery, assisted with Haiti preparations and provided baked goods for memorial services. She is an active UNC sports fan and has worked for 30 years at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina.



June Kendall

June Kendall worked at Appalachian State University for 16 years and at SEANC for 14 years. She is currently retired. After moving to Chapel Hill and joining the UPC congregation 10 years ago, June has been an office volunteer and Vacation Bible School teacher. At her former churches she was a children's Sunday School teacher, a

member of Women of the Church and a deacon, and she participated in the Koinonia Class. June enjoys spending time with her husband, Chuck Goins, and her daughter, Jacqueline Norris-Drouin.



Sarah Lineberry

Sarah Lineberry came to UPC from Wake Forest in 2010. She quickly became involved in the church, working in the church nursery for four years and serving as a Presbyterian Youth Connection advisor since 2013. Sarah volunteers with The Arc of the Triangle and with Extraordinary Adventures which she manages. She is also in-

volved with Reality Ministries and l'Arche of North Carolina.

Nominees For Deacon Class of 2019, cont.



Keith Minton

Keith Minton is a Chapel Hill native who has lived outside of the area for only 13 years. He joined UPC in 2012. He and his wife, Colleen, have two children. Maddie is 14 and Colin is 10. Keith has participated in many family-related activities at UPC. He has helped with student plays, dinners, PYC and parties. In the community, Keith volun-

teered with Maddie and Colin's schools and as a baseball and soccer coach. In former churches, Keith gained experience in various volunteer positions and as a member of the selection committee for new staff. Keith is employed as a financial advisor for Edward D. Jones.



Mike Olson

Mike Olson has been a member of UPC for almost all of the 23 years he has lived in Chapel Hill. He is married to Mary Ellen Olson. Their children are Ian and Andrew. Mike works at Safe Bridge Consultants, Inc. He has been a deacon and an usher, and he has volunteered for the Appalachian Service Project. He has also been in-

volved with Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Habitat for Humanity.



CC Owen (Youth Deacon)

Caroline "CC" Owen is a lifelong member of UPC who was confirmed in 2014. Her church activities include 12 years of choir membership, Presbyterian Youth Connection, youth and music leadership teams, children's musical volunteer and Vacation Bible School volunteer. As a student at East Chapel Hill

High School, CC has participated in a high school musical production. She is the daughter of Sarah and Kirk Owen and sister of Will. CC is employed part-time at the Café Carolina Bakery.



Edwin Preston

Ed Preston was raised as a Presbyterian in his home state of Tennessee. He moved to North Carolina 47 years ago and joined UPC in 1969 where he has served as an elder and on various committees. Ed is a retired orthopaedic surgeon affiliated with UNC-Chapel Hill and the Triangle Orthopaedic Association. He is currently a member and chair-

man of the North Carolina Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy. Ed has three adult children.



Susan Swafford

Susan Swafford has been a member of UPC since 2003 and has lived in Chapel Hill for 22 years. She and her husband, Brian, have three children. Monty is 12, Bradley is nine, and Helen is six. She has served the church as a Stephen Minister, Sunday School teacher, Vacation Bible School volunteer, Congregational Life Committee

member and choir parent. At her former churches, Susan was a choir member, and in the community, she has served as PTA president at Glenwood Elementary, as co-chair of the Mandarin Advisory Committee from 2012-2014 and as a PTA volunteer at Ephesus Elementary School and Phillips Middle School. Susan worked as a dietitian and is currently enjoying being a fulltime stay-at-home mom.



Cass Swon

Cass Swon has worked in many capacities at UPC since she joined this congregation 20 years ago. She has served as comoderator for Presbyterian Women's Circle 3 and for Presbyterian Women. She will be teaching Sunday School starting in the fall of 2016. She has also volunteered in the community at the Inter-Faith Council's Project

HomeStart and A Lotta Love (Donate a Room) program and has been involved with GC Book Club for 19 years. Cass is retired and especially enjoys traveling.

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