

Notice of St. Paul's 76th Annual Meeting
Sunday, January 25th, 2015 at 9:15 AM
Hogarth (Parish) Hall

Nominees for the 2015 Vestry

Kathy Kilmer is a "cradle Episcopalian," born and raised in Upstate New York. She moved to Palm Springs in 1980, when her employment as a medical assistant led to a job relocation to the Desert. She has been a member of St Paul's since 1981 and previously served on the Vestry in the early 1990's. She has also served in the capacity of Coordinator of Children's Ministry, Altar Guild Director and Worship Coordinator/Chalice Bearer. Kathy is nominated to fill a 1-year unexpired term.

Alan Zimmerman was confirmed as an Episcopalian in 1993 in the Diocese of Michigan and was a member of parishes in Pontiac and Birmingham, Michigan. He served on two Vestries and was Jr. Warden twice. He was a member of 2 priesthood discernment committees. Alan is a graduate of the Education for Ministry (EFM) program and was certified as an EFM mentor. Alan became a member of St. Paul's after moving to Palm Springs in 2011. He is a lector at 8 o'clock services and a member of the Adult Faith Building Team. Alan is nominated for a 3-year term.

Karen Nelson's father always told her that God gave her 24 hours a day and she should give Him an hour a day. She grew up Presbyterian but that didn't seem a good fit for her as an adult. After years of absence from the church - choosing instead to spend her free time hiking and at dog shows, she felt she needed a Christian connection. That has been an interesting journey. Her oldest friend brought her to the Episcopal church 30 years ago and it has become her faith community. Her most meaningful experiences have been Cursillo weekends as well as her memberships in the Daughters of the King and the Order of St. Luke the Physician.

Born in Palm Springs, **Ted Barajas** was baptized at Our Lady of Solitude. As a child and teen, he attended Our Lady of Guadalupe (Palm Springs) where he had his First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Ted had personal conflicts with religion as an adult and explored several religions trying to find a fit for his beliefs. Most recently he has attended several other churches in the desert and Orange County. Ted has been familiar with St. Paul's for several years, having performed at the church with Canyon Classics Music Ensemble and the Palm Springs Freedom Band before he started attending regularly in 2013. Ted feels that he has found his church home at St. Paul's. He started volunteering with Godly Play in early 2014 and is now the lead coordinator of Sunday School. Although he is still learning the Church's teachings, Ted has always considered himself a spiritual man. He looks forward to continuing his spiritual journey with the help of St. Paul in the Desert.

Steve Moore was born and raised in Texas and sang as a child in the Texas Boys Choir. In his adult years he moved with his partner from Dallas to San Francisco where they lived for 20 years and found his church home at Trinity Episcopal. It was there that he was finally baptised and confirmed at age 30. Steve and his partner moved to Palm Springs in 1996 to enjoy the tranquility and peace that so many have come to enjoy. After being together for 23 years, Steve's partner sadly passed away in 2003. Longing for another church home, Steve found a loving community at St. Paul's. Steve says that St. Paul's has returned a sense of purpose to his life and gives him a great fulfillment in being. Steve is an Usher and serves on the Altar Guild and looks forward to doing his very best serving the Vestry. Steve thanks Fr. Andrew and all of the parish for making him feel so welcome.