

Biographies of 2017 Officer Nominees

Nominees for Deacon (3-year terms)

Shelby Brown My husband, Dan Brown, was a custodian for the church for 38 years before retiring. We have three children, Mary, Robert, and Michael, and four grandchildren, Amy, Genie, Joseph, and Kayley. I have been a member of the church since the 1960s, and I love worshipping in the Chapel. I am retired from the Limited Distribution Center. At church I have served as a Vacation Bible School teacher, a Sunday School teacher for first grade, and helped in Babyland, I sang in the choir and played bells for years, and I love being a Usher! I also like to travel with family, read, Race for the Cure, cook, scrapbook, make quilts, and sew.

Steli Buchanan My Husband Tim and I have been at CCPC since 1994. We have three grown sons: Ben, Luke, and Nick. My occupation is the Front Office at Buchanan Medical Arts, and my interests include my family(!), fitness, yoga, cooking, travel, and interior design. I have always wanted to be involved in the Food Pantry and feeding the less fortunate.

Nancy Haynes I have been married for 33 years to my husband Mark, and we have two sons: Ryan is an engineer for General Motors Corp. in Michigan, and John recently relocated to Portland, Oregon with Sherwin Williams. I have worked at the Worthington Community Center as a program leader and recreation supervisor for 29 years. I began my journey at CCPC over 20 years ago; my first involvement was with the 8:00 choir under Gary Everts. I also sang for the original contemporary services on Saturday evenings with Wally Brath, and then Ron and Nancy Nocks, for the Wednesday evening services in the chapel with Pastor David, and I continue singing today in the Chancel Choir. I have volunteered for Thanksgiving Food baskets, Adopt-a-child, and 5 years as a God's Gardner. This past summer I subbed in the summer preschool Sunday school classes and LOVED IT! I am so looking forward to enhancing my relationship with God by serving the missions of Central College.

Dennis Lyman After attending worship services regularly for 12+ years, I joined CCPC in December of 2015. I have three grown children, five grandchildren and one great-grandson. In my career, I served as a firefighter and fire safety speaker for 30 years in both Columbus and Whitehall. In the community and church I have been involved with the FireFighters 4 Kids program, Honor Flight, Food Pantry, God's Gardeners, and have served as an Usher. Golf ranks high on my list of favorite activities!

Beth Mostyn I have been attending CCPC along with my family for 15 years. My children went to the Central College Preschool and are still active in the church as young adults. My husband Marty and I have been married for 23 years, and are members of the Family Connections small group. I was a Shepherd for four years and learned a lot with my daughter's class, and I served on the Youth Renovation committee. I have many hobbies, attending lacrosse games and baking cut-out cookies just to name two!

Vicky Schmarr I feel very blessed to have found a warm and welcoming church family at Central College! I volunteer at the Food Pantry and attend Ruth Circle. As a long-time member of Christ Presbyterian Church, I served as an Elder and two terms as a Deacon. I am a retired high school librarian and English teacher with Westerville City Schools, Columbus Academy, and Olentangy Local Schools. I currently enjoy working part-time at the Delaware County District Library's Orange Branch, where I coordinate two adult book groups. I live in the Highland Lakes neighborhood with my constantly-supportive husband John and three mischievous and lovable rescued barn-cats!

Todd Tenaglia My wife, Lori, and I have been attending Central College for three years with our two children Joshua and Zayden. I am currently serving on the Children's Ministry Team and teach second and third grade Children's Church. Outside of work and church I enjoy spending time with my family and watching Joshua play soccer.

Cindy Wojcik I have been attending CCPC since my husband Steve and I were looking for a church in which to get married, and we became members in 2009. We have three children: Marissa (7), Mark (5) and Amber (3). We attend the 5:00pm service, as Steve plays in the band and I enjoy contemporary worship from growing up in a Baptist church in Gahanna. I have taught K/1st grade, 2nd/3rd grade, and 4th/5th grade in Children's Church. I really enjoy working with the older kids; we can dig deeper into the lessons because the kids have a basic understanding of the story already. I also assist with other children's ministries such as Happy Birthday Jesus and the HISKids musical, and have assisted in VBS since 2009 as a crew lead, Bible story adventures and on the core committee. I am a manager at the reservation center for Motel 6 and Studio 6 where I have worked for 12 years. I enjoy camping with the family and going to parks with the kids, or just taking a walk with the family.

Nominees for Deacon (1-year unexpired terms)

Dale and Michele are current Deacons (class of 2017) being nominated for additional 1-year terms.

Dale Grossman My wife Kathy and I have been attending CCPC for 30+ years, and we became members in 2006. I am currently serving as a Deacon for a second time, and have enjoyed working in the Food Pantry, on the Holiday Food Baskets, the Santa Shop, the Freedom Celebration, at Bryden House and the Mid-Ohio Food Bank among many other Deacon missions. I am a retired Westerville school bus driver, and have driven the church bus on many, many children and youth retreats and mission trips. Kathy and I have one grown son, Jason, who grew up in Sunday school and the children and youth choirs at CCPC. I am a member of the gospel quartet Antioch, have sung in the Chancel Choir for 30+ years, and have served as the choir president.

Michele Meulenberg I began attending CCPC in 1996, met my husband David while singing in the choir, and we were married in a ceremony officiated by both Rev and Pastor Malcolm. I have one son, Justin Mills, who grew up in Sunday school and YF at CCPC and is currently attending Kent State University. I am a graduate of Otterbein University and work as an instructional designer and editor with Accenture Academy. I currently serve as the Deacon representative on the Communication Committee, volunteer in the Food Pantry, and participate in worship by singing in the Chancel Choir and playing the flute. I am excited to see where God plans to use me next, and I am confident He will lead me to it!

Nominees for Elder

John Kirchhofer My wife Nancy and I have been at CCPC for nearly 30 years. We have four adult children and six grandchildren. I was Chief Underwriter for a large life insurance company for 30 years. I am a member of the Chancel Choir and have served as a Deacon. I was previously ordained as an Elder in another Presbyterian Church. Avocation interests include boating, water skiing, working out, and being a do-it-yourselfer at home.

Lori Morrow My husband Walt and I have been married and attending CCPC for nearly 40 years. We are blessed with a blended family of seven children, 13 grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. I was a Realtor for 38 years before retiring six years ago. I am currently Moderator of Presbyterian Women's Ministry (PWM), a Stephen Minister, Chairperson of both the Church Beautification committee, and the PWM Bazaar. I am a member of the Communication Committee, several PWM committees, and four Ladies Circles. I was a leader of the Tuesday Morning Bible Study for several years, and was also a Deacon. I was honored to receive the PWM Honorary Lifetime Membership Award in 2014 and the Woman of Faith award in 2017.

Ben Owings My wife Betty and I have been members of CCPC since the early 1990s. Our daughter Sarah was married in the church and is also a member. Betty and I both served as Deacons, have been part of several classes, and I have been an usher for about four years. I have been retired from the insurance industry for 10 years, am an active Shriner, and I also golf when I can!

Randy Snyder I have been attending CCPC since I was born. My parents and grandparents attended CCPC, I was baptized by Rev, and I joined the church through the 8th grade confirmation class. I currently work at Olentangy Local Schools as a school transportation administrator, and I work part-time at CCPC as the Audio Visual Tech Assistant. Over the years I have been involved at CCPC with/as a: YF youth leader, Chancel Choir, hand bell choir, Sunday School teacher, Deacon, event production leadership, AV ministry, and youth and Honduras mission trips. My wife Jennie and I have two boys and live in Genoa Township. One of my favorite "life verses" is *"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."* (Romans 8:38-39)

Sally Snyder I have been attending Central College for about 15 years on the recommendation of my husband David, who as a child romped at Buckeye Lake with the Ellsworth family. (Dave's sister-in-law, Becky Snyder, is an elder at Second Presbyterian Church in Newark where Rev has been preaching.) I am a retired Franklin County Juvenile Court Magistrate (21 years) and former assistant prosecuting attorney (5 years). I was previously a member of Rocky Ridge Grace Brethren Church in New Albany and am strongly scripture-oriented; therefore, I found Central College a comfortable fit. I have been a happy participant as a Deacon and served in the Food Pantry, Disciple classes, Stephen Ministry, Chancel Choir and in study groups. I love being outdoors and have been a volunteer at Blendon Woods Metro Park for more than 30 years, still play tennis and ski, but have given my motorcycle to my husband and now ride pillion. My greatest joy is being a useful instrument for God's purpose with the presence of the Holy Spirit and the Lord Himself.

Cassie Riehle I have been with CCPC since birth and consider it a second family. My husband, Michael, and I have been married for 18 years, and we live in uptown Westerville. We have a son (Ethan, 16) and a daughter (Elyssa, 13). Our children attended both the Preschool and the Academy. Mike is a police detective in Genoa Township and I am a paralegal for a real estate developer in Dublin. In addition, I contract for the Preschool, handling their extended care billing and administrative needs as they continue to grow. Over the years, I have served as a youth leader, a Sunday School teacher, a VBS Core team leader/teacher, a Deacon, a Stephen Minister, and a member of PW and Hannah Circle. For six years as a youth I was in charge of candle lighters for every Sunday service and all Christmas Eve services, and I was involved in both choir and handbells. My daughter and I still enjoy handbells!

Nominees for Trustee

Derek Herbruck I grew up in NE Ohio in the small town of Hartville and graduated from OSU where I met my wife, Lauren. She is from Westerville and has attended CCPC since she was young. We were married in 2009 at CCPC and then lived in Kentucky for two years while she attended grad school at UK. We moved back to Columbus in 2011, have attended CCPC regularly ever since, and became members in 2014. I currently work for PNC Bank, and have for 8 years. We live in Westerville with our three daughters: Leah (6), Mckenna (4), and Dana (10 mos). They take up a lot of my time, so I would call them my main interest! If I ever have time to myself, I enjoy anything Cleveland sports, Buckeyes, and reading.

Marv Jackson I have been attending CCPC for 12 years and have been a member for 10. My wife (of 55 years this July) Grace and I have two grown sons: Matthew, who lives near High Point, NC, and Timothy, who lives near Boone, NC. My career has been in finance and accounting with the later years functioning in CFO positions for a variety of companies. I have been retired about five years. My other interests include seasonal golf, preparing income taxes, and reading. We attend the 8:00 service regularly along with a Sunday Bible Study class after church.

Evan Klish I have been attending CCPC for five years and have been a member for three. I am married to Elizabeth Klish. I work at JPMorgan Chase in Information Technology. My interests include computers, soccer, basketball, and football. I currently serve at CCPC in youth ministry but have also volunteered in the children's ministry, Food Pantry, Helping Hands, VBS, and many of the holiday events such as the Freedom Celebration.

Brenda Watson I am currently the leader of Martha Circle and Treasurer of PW, and I have served as a Deacon and the PW Vice Moderator for Mission. I am a widow (still getting used to that word) who joined Central College Church with my husband, Jerry and two children, Bradley and Amy in 1976. I am blessed with two granddaughters, Camille (12) and Ramona (8). I graduated from OSU in 1992 (the same year Brad graduated from high school), worked for over 25 years as an office manager/bookkeeper, and continue to work part-time. I enjoy cooking, gardening, reading, and traveling.