

2015 CANDIDATE SUBMISSION FORM

Date _____

Name for Consideration_____

Daytime Phone (_____)

Submitted by _____

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Please list the worship service(s) the candidate regularly attends:_____

On which lay committees does the candidate serve? In what other ways does the candidate serve the programmatic ministries of the parish? Please describe.

What distinctive and valuable skills and abilities does the candidate bring to the Vestry?

Based on the list of qualities sought in Vestry members printed on the reverse side, please provide information to support this submission.

Attach additional pages as needed. Please return completed form to:
Robert Wood, Nominating Committee Chair,
Trinity Church, 206 Clarendon Street, Boston, MA 02116

QUALITIES SOUGHT IN VESTRY MEMBERS

The Vestry offers to the Nominating Committee a list of qualities and expectations it deems important to look for and to ask of future Vestry members.

1. As an existing member of the parish:
 - a. Be faithful and steadily present in Sunday worship.
 - b. Reflect a deep commitment to the Christian faith and to the Church's ministry.
 - c. Be a proportional, pledging member of the parish.
 - d. In most cases, manifest leadership abilities and commitment within the parish and/or diocese.

2. As a Vestry member, give himself or herself to the demands of being a leader in the parish:
 - a. Be steadily present at gatherings of the congregation including coffee hour and parishwide events.
 - b. Attend all monthly Vestry meetings and go on weekend conferences with the Vestry, at least twice a year, for occasions of planning and spiritual reflection.
 - c. Understand that much of Vestry "business" is finance, facilities, and long range planning.
 - d. Serve on other lay committees that support programmatic ministries of the parish.
 - e. Reflect seriously with the Vestry on the Christian call to stewardship of our resources of wealth and talent and serve as a leader of the congregation in this regard.
 - f. Take seriously a course of personal growth in the traditions of the Christian faith and be intentional about one's personal growth in the faith.

3. Additional qualities:
 - a. Bring distinctive and valuable skills and abilities to the Vestry's work.
 - b. Be committed to a discipline of careful listening and open dialogue.
 - c. Be willing to consider a wide range of points of view.

Finally, the Vestry should represent in its members the breadth and heterogeneity of the parish membership. The slate of nominees should be drawn from a broad spectrum of parish life.