# **VESTRY CANDIDATES 2021**



## **Mindy Barringer**

Mindy and her family have been active members of St. Matthew's since 2004. She and her husband Michael have three kids – Ben (20), and twins Becky and Jessie (17). They are involved in Outreach activities, and she has served on both the Outreach committee, the Stewardship committee, and has chaired and served on the Communications committee. She was a part of the Search committee to hire Mother Liz. She and Michael have been Sunday school teachers at St. Matt's since 2007. She has served twice on vestry. Mindy is a graphic artist at the CDC. **Mindy's vision for St. Matthew's** is to build upon the old and new foundations we now have, and nurture a thriving community of God through creative approaches, while maintaining stability in these uncertain times.



### **Jack Denton**

Jack was born on December 15, 1951. He has been married to Pam for 47 years. They have three daughters; Kelly, Amanda and Tiffany, three great son-in-laws, Patrick, Levi and Will; and six grandchildren, Noah, Denton, Hannah, Ella, Charlotte and Tucker.

Jack has been self-employed as a retail manufacturer's representative for over 25 years. This past year he decided to make a career change and became a Real Estate Agent and is extremely excited about his new career path.

Jack has been active in many aspects of St. Matthew's life. He has served four terms on the Vestry, including serving as Junior Warden and Senior Warden for 6 years. He has served three terms as delegate to the Atlanta Episcopal Diocesan Council. He was fortunate enough to have served on the Search committee that recommended Mother Liz to the vestry. He served on the Architectural Committee, the Long Range Planning Committee, Building & Grounds Committee, the Finance Committee and the Fellowship Committee, as well as serving on the committees for the construction of both the Sanctuary and the Parish Hall. He has been an active participant in the planning of past fund raising efforts, such as the courtyard brick fundraiser, the Car Shows, and other major fundraisers. He has served as a J2A teacher, he is a member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and a member of the Folk Choir. He is a graduate of the four year EFM program.

**Jack's Vision for St. Matthew's**: We must begin to focus our efforts on building a strong community during this time of the pandemic and look at what has made St. Matthew;s a great place to worship. Finding ways to better our communication and to strengthen our Christian Education programs, our Youth programs and any other program that builds community is key at this time.



# **Morgan Fletcher-DeVoss**

Morgan Fletcher- DeVoss is a Language Arts Teacher in Gwinnett County. You've perhaps seen her chasing her red-headed twin girls, Ashlyn and Avery, around St. Matthew's over the past five years. Morgan says she was not a "church person", but apparently St. Matthew's decided that was going to change. St. Matthew's is where she made the decision to be baptized as an adult, and was later confirmed. She has been involved with Christian Education, the pre-school, and other (pre-Covid) activities that she never thought she would miss so much. Her vision for St. Matthew's is for a parish that is open and welcoming to all, that prides itself on caring for our community.



#### **Trisha Voiles**

Trisha Voiles has been attending St. Matthew's for 36 years. Prior to that she was raised Polish National Catholic in Minnesota. The St. Matthew's family has been there as Trisha was married, divorced, raised two daughters, lost her mom, and now takes care of her brother, Jimmy, and her dad. Trisha has been part of ECW (Episcopal Church Women) as Fundraiser Coordinator, Vice Chair and then 15 years as Chair of the Steering Committee. She was St. Matthew's Sunday School Superintendent for approximately four years, and was a Youth Leader during the years her girls attended Youth Group. She belongs to the Needler Group which began making the Cross Stitch Ornaments for the St. Matthew's Christmas Tree, along with Knit, Crochet, and Pray to make prayer shawls, hats, and scarves. Most recently, she joined the Flower Guild. Trisha has volunteered for Sunday Breakfasts, St. Matthew's Vacation Bible School, Southeast Gwinnett Co-op, and a St. Matthew's Habitat for Humanity Build. Trisha Voiles is a retired Kindergarten Teacher of 30 years. Committees from school included Leadership Team, Fundraising Committee, Sunshine/Fellowship Committee, Relay for Life, Staff Development Trainer.

**Trisha's vision for St. Matthew's** is to begin to Step Forward with Faith in God instead of our personal fears. St. Matthew's needs to be a place that is present for the people. St. Matthew's will not have all the answers, but to be the non-anxious presence to walk through the good and hard times together with the God of Peace.