

Responses to Vestry Questionnaire – Bob Murray – Jan 2022

1. How long have you worshipped at Immanuel? Any other family members who worship here?

-- My wife Carla and I have worshipped at Immanuel since February, 1999, as has our daughter Abby since she was baptized in 2001.

2. What are some parish activities or ministries that have captured your time and talents?

-- Carla and I have each served on the Vestry and as wardens. We both have been involved in various activities – for myself, my activities have included: the pumpkin ministry, youth group, Alive!, Bible study, and a member of a support group for Seminary candidates. I've been involved with the raising of the new Chapel, contributing to Christmas Families, the chairing the group that revised Trustee arrangements, and serving on several ad hoc committees.

3. Please name something you find very valuable/something you love about Immanuel.

-- The clergy's focus on Jesus as our savior and guide, the Book of Common Prayer, our outreach to the needy, and the warmth and friendship of the parishioners.

4. What gifts, talents, interests and/or goals and objectives do you think you might bring to Vestry service?

--My principal interest would be in helping serve our parish in ways that bring us closer together, aiding those who are in need in our world, further opening the doors of our church to people in need of spiritual renewal and a spiritual home, and – on the business side – helping Immanuel be an efficient and effective church.

5. How would you view serving on the Vestry as a ministry, as part of your Christian journey?

-- I view Vestry service as part of my Christian journey. My first 'tour' on the Vestry was enormously rewarding, spiritually and collegially, and I believe serving again would be similarly rewarding.