

Network Members

Donna Addkison

Interim Secretary, Province VII

Multicultural Relations & Racial Reconciliation Network

Missioner, Youth & Young Adults, Diocese of the Rio Grande

Director, Christian Education and Community Engagement, S

t. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Roswell, NM

Before moving to Roswell, New Mexico, in the summer of 2015, Donna Addkison was a nationally recognized leader, community organizer, and advocate for economic security of America's families. She has held several positions of note including service as:

- National Program Director and President/CEO, Wider Opportunities for Women in Washington, DC – a national nonprofit focused on innovative research, policy change, training and career literacy for primarily for girls and women;
- Chief Development Officer for the City of New Orleans following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita overseeing 12 departments including housing, code enforcement, construction, workforce development, economic development, environmental affairs and even the taxicab bureau;
- President and CEO for a regional chamber of commerce and economic development foundation in Southwest Louisiana;
- City Vice President for Hope Community Credit Union and the Enterprise Corporation of the Delta in New Orleans; and
- Deputy Chief of Staff, Special Assistant for Economic Development and Washington Office Director for the Governor of the State of Mississippi.

Highlights of her activities include securing the largest capital investment in the U.S. for that year by bringing the first automotive manufacturer to Mississippi; securing \$11 million in deposits prior to opening Hope Community Credit Union in an underserved neighborhood of New Orleans; bringing in grant dollars for minority business development and environmental reclamation totaling over \$50 million for Orleans Parish; opening the first business redevelopment center in the state following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; and working with a team to develop a measure of what it actually costs to live in every county in the nation for more than 420 family types.

Now on staff at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Donna works with clergy and parishioners to explore new opportunities for Christian education and community engagement by reimagining community-focused ministries -- taking the church into the streets of Roswell and crafting partnerships that cross the artificial barriers of theological differences, race, ethnicity, age and socio-economic standing. In addition to her work as Director of

Christian Education and Community Engagement, Bishop Vono has appointed her Missioner to Youth and Young Adults for the Diocese of the Rio Grande.

Donna holds two masters degrees, is married to Jack Giovo and has one son, Tres, who is in his first year at the University of Minnesota Law School. Donna and Jack are also parents to their dogs Bob and Maggie. In her spare time, Donna teaches yoga in Roswell and Artesia, NM.

The Rev. Susan Allison-Hatch
Assisting Clergy, St. Michael's & All Angels Episcopal Church
Albuquerque, NM

Fifteen years ago, Susan Allison-Hatch heard a colleague say, "We've decided to go ahead and build our new House of Worship. And we've decided to do so with love". The following Sunday Susan accompanied her colleague to St. Michael's. A few months later, she joined the New Members Class. On Palm Sunday that year, she was confirmed with the first group of people confirmed in the new House of Worship.

Yet it was in the silence of contemplative prayer (a practice she adopted at St. Michael's) that Susan was able to hear a call to ordained ministry that had been stirring in her since childhood. Three years after she was confirmed, Susan left the community and land she loved to attend seminary and pursue ordination as a priest in the Episcopal Church.

After seminary and ordination, Susan served as Associate Rector and Chaplain at an inner-city church and school in Oakland, California. There her passion for ministry with those who fall outside the walls of church was kindled. She led a weekly service for kids and kids at heart; she served as chaplain in the emergency room of an inner city trauma center; and she forged a weekly inter-faith worship service in an Episcopal School for children of all faiths.

Prior to returning to New Mexico, Susan served an ex-urban parish wrestling with the challenge of an aging congregation. She also began ministering to the homeless in San Francisco. In May, 2010, Susan and her husband Tim returned to New Mexico to purchase a house and to resume life in the land they had come to love and call home.

When Susan is not at St. Michael's, you'll find her at St. Martin's Hospitality Center, a day shelter for people experiencing homelessness, or in the pool or on her bike or at her sewing machine making a quilt.

Susan holds dear two vows she has taken—her marriage vow to Tim and her priestly vows. Throughout her journey, Tim has been a stalwart and wise companion. For that she is grateful.

**The Reverend Joseph Caldwell Alsay, M. Div. SCP
Rector, St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church
Oklahoma City, OK**

Since July 4th 2010, Fr. Joseph Alsay has served as Rector of St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church in Oklahoma City. During his five and a half years at St. Augustine, the congregation has seen its membership triple, finances grow, racial and ethnic diversity increase, and in 2014 its title changed from that of "Mission" to that of self-sustaining "Parish."

Fr. Joseph was received as a priest into the Episcopal Church on January 15, 2011- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. He was previously ordained in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament on August 6, 2005. He received his B.A. in Pastoral Studies from Oklahoma Baptist University and his M.Div. from the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago.

The ordination of Fr. Joseph was not only significant because it bought to fulfillment the dream of the "Called to Common Mission" between the Lutheran (ELCA) and Episcopal Churches. But, this ordination marked the first time a Lutheran pastor was invited to serve a congregation that is not ELCA for a "First Call."

This "First Call" manifested itself through his appointment to Trinity Episcopal Church, Tulsa. This marked the first time in the historic congregation's history that an AfricanAmerican was called to serve on the "pastoral staff" of this predominately Anglo congregation. From 2005-2010, Fr. Joseph served in the capacity of Assistant Pastor with areas of responsibility including: evangelism, pastoral care, hospitality and liturgy.

Delivering his first sermon at the age of 13, Fr. Joseph's devotion to the cross comes naturally as the son of the late Reverend Glenzia Martin Alsay & Mrs. Beatrice Alsay. A selfproclaimed bearer of the passion of "the call" of Christ, Fr. Joseph possess an uncommon devotion for evangelism, interfaith dialogue and the role that the Church plays in promoting honest dialogue about race and culture.

An active community servant, Fr. Joseph formerly served on the Board of Director's for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Society (Tulsa); was a member of the Oklahoma Center for Community & Justice Board (Tulsa), and served as a Board member of the Holland Hall Summer Program (Tulsa). He currently serves as a Board member of the Oklahoma Conference of Churches, the Oklahoma Alliance of Liturgy and the Arts, The Society of Catholic Priests, and is the Director of the Aspirancy Program for the Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma.

Fr. Joseph has been the recipient of several awards including: The Joseph Cardinal Bernadin Fellowship for Ecumenical Leadership, The Bishop Richard Allen Humanitarian Award, and The Grover Wright Promising Minority Seminarian Award.

Married to the former Cecelia K. Gray of Philadelphia since 2005, the couple has four children: Corinthia Gray (step-daughter), Zoe, and Zipporah, & Caleb and reside in Edmond, OK.

Shirley J. Bolden

Vestry

St. Augustine's Episcopal Church

Kansas City, MO

Business Experience:

Missouri Gas Energy, 1970 to 2012 (Retired)

Manager of the Customer Solutions, which handled all customer complaints received by the Missouri Public Service Commission, other complaints that were presented to the President and COO of Missouri Gas Energy. Review various job procedures in all departments and make suggestions of changes if need be. Being an advocate for the customer. Reported directly to the Director of Consumer and Government Relations

Education:

Attended; Graduated from Paseo High School in 1966

Attended: The University of Missouri at Kansas City

Received a Bachelor of Liberal Arts Degree, May 1993

Organization:

Board Chair of Good Samaritan Projects from 2010-2013

Vice-Chair, of Good Samaritan Project Board of Directors. Good Samaritan Project has been in existence for 27 years. We deal with the prevention of HIV/AIDS in the community, schools and prisons. I have been on the board since 2006.

Board Chair of Episcopal Community Services from 2008-Ongoing

Previously, chair of the Assessment Committee. This Committee is responsible for the review of the various social programs, i.e. Kansas City Community Kitchen, Operation Back Pack, and the Culinary Cornerstone Training Program (which trains those underemployed, unemployed, out of prisons or those ladies coming out of abusive relationships, allowing them to learn a trade so that they may become employed in the food industry.

St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, Kansas City, Missouri

Vestry Member, 1998-2003, 2009-Current

Treasurer, 1990 to 2007

Past President of St. Augustine's Episcopal Church Women

Member of Altar Guild, Coffee Hour Committee,

Chairperson, The Deacon Williams' Food Pantry

Eucharist Minister and Visitor
Lay Chaplain through the Community of Hope

Diocese of West Missouri
Diocesan Council and Vice-Chair (2006)
Past President of the Diocese of West Missouri Episcopal Church Women
Standing Committee 2007-2011

Racial Reconciliation Team-Group developed by St. Andrews and St. Augustine's Episcopal Church. The group initiated an Absalom Jones Service each February for the past 11 years. Currently, I serve on the Companion Diocese Committee and the Diversity Committee of the Diocese.

The Reverend Elizabeth Davis
Seminole and Holdenville, OK

Elizabeth Davis is a bi-vocational priest in the Diocese of Oklahoma serving two small rural missions, one in Seminole and the other in Holdenville. She was a Registered Nurse for many years before answering God's call and being ordained to the Sacred Order of Priests in January of 2015. She is a graduate of the Iona School of Ministry located in the Diocese of Texas.

The sting of racism or bigotry is never felt so keenly as when you or those that you care for are affected. Two separate incidents of religious shaming and exclusion by the Ministerial Alliance set her on a course of loving resistance. She and her churches were banned from participating in community church services based upon the Episcopal churches stance on same sex marriage. She and her church members refuse to let the ostracism prevent them from serving the community in acts of charity and service. And she remains active in the Ministerial Alliance as part of those acts of charity and service.

The Rev. Marcus Halley
Associate Priest, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
Kansas City, MO

My name is the Rev. Marcus Halley. I currently serve as an associate priest at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Kansas City, MO with oversight over the areas of Christian Formation and Evangelism. I have been in Kansas City for almost three years serving in this capacity. I also serve as the Chair of the Diversity and Reconciliation Committee of the Diocese of West Missouri (formally the Antiracism Committee), a position I have held for close to two years. I hold a B.A. in History from Johnson C. Smith University (Charlotte, NC), a M.Div. from the Interdenominational Theological Center (Atlanta, GA), and a S.T.M. in Anglican Studies from the School of Theology at the University of the South (Sewanee, TN). Prior to coming to Kansas City, I was a student at the University of the South completing the requisite

coursework for Holy Orders. I was ordained a deacon in December of 2012 and a priest on November 1, 2013 (the Feast of All Saints). I am from the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta where I was involved in campus ministry, hospital chaplaincy, and urban mission work prior to going to Sewanee, TN.

Thurma Hilton
Vestry Member
All Saints' Church
Corpus Christi, TX

I am a member of All Saints' Church, Corpus Christi, one of 87 congregations in the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas. A native of Corpus Christi, Texas, I taught high school English and Journalism following my career as a journalist with the local daily newspaper. I am now retired from teaching and am entering education consulting work. In addition to serving on the All Saints' Vestry, I sing in the choir and am an active member of the AS' Order of the Daughters of the King.

I expect to work cooperatively and collegially with the other members of the Network to accomplish the mission it has been given.

I bring to the Network my varied organizational experiences from which I can draw to use, where applicable, in the work ahead. My experience includes serving on the Commission on Ministry's Discernment Committee since first being appointed in 1995, in addition to serving in several other appointed positions. Elected positions in which I have served include on the Diocesan Executive Board, twice to the Diocesan Standing Committee and as an alternate delegate to the 2009 General Convention. From 2000 to 2006 I served as the Province VII Representative to the Standing Commission on Ministry Development for General Convention. Earlier this year, I was chairwoman of the steering committee at All Saints' Church, which served as the host site in our city, for the Trinity Institute 2016 Listen for a Change: Sacred Conversations About Race.

My community involvement includes serving on the Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra Board, the CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Foundation Board and the Professional Advisory Group to the Clinical Pastoral Education Programs of the Spohn and CHRISTUS Health Systems.

The Rev. Dr. Bette J. Kauffman
Archdeacon, Episcopal Diocese of Western Louisiana
Monroe, LA

The Rev. Dr. Bette J. Kauffman was ordained Deacon in the Episcopal Church June 7, 2008, by The Rt. Rev. Bruce D. MacPherson, 3rd Bishop of Western Louisiana, at St. Mark's Cathedral in Shreveport, La. She completed the Diploma of Christian Studies in the diocesan

School of Theology, passed the General Ordination Exam in January, 2008, and completed one unit of Clinical Pastoral Education at the Jefferson Medical Center in Pine Bluff, Ark. that summer.

She currently serves as Archdeacon of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Louisiana, Canterbury@ULM Chaplain, and half-time each at St. Thomas' and St. Alban's Episcopal Churches in Monroe. She preaches by invitation at other churches throughout the diocese. In December 2015, Parson Porch Books published a book of her sermons titled "A Rock with a Heart: Finding Heaven on Earth." It is available through Parsons Porch, amazon.com, and the website of the Association for Episcopal Deacons.

Her primary diaconal ministry is as a leader in Northern & Central Louisiana Interfaith, a coalition of institutions that crosses boundaries of race, class, geography and religion to work together for the common good. Interfaith is a constituent member of Together Louisiana, a statewide organization that seeks to influence public policy on issues of common concern and social justice.

Kauffman has a Ph.D. in Communication from the University of Pennsylvania and is a Professor of Communication at the University of Louisiana at Monroe.

The Reverend Charles Kerschen
Department Head, Religion/Philosophy Department, Hutchinson Community College
Rector, Christ Church
Kingman, KS

My Masters degree is a MAMM (Master of Arts in Multicultural Ministry) from the Franciscan School of Theology in Berkeley. Before moving back to Kansas in 2003 (and before I became an Episcopal Priest in 2008 here) I worked for the Diocese of Oakland in California. We considered the Diocese at the time to be one of the most diverse around. Although my expertise was with the Hispanic community, I worked in a myriad of settings in which the liturgies were sprinkled with Tagalog, Vietnamese, African, Spanish, Native American, etc. Just last year I was asked to fly to the Redwoods to do a marriage which involved Episcopalian aspects and Native American rituals intertwined.

Currently I am in charge of the Religion/Philosophy Dept. at a Community College. I am 58 and usually white depending how long I spend working in the garden. I live in the country with my wife and work part time at a small parish 20 miles away. I have always wanted to continue to work within a multicultural setting of some type in a religious sense. I do push what I can (considering the secular environment) to get my students to be more objective and to explore other cultures. At my church for the last three years we have incorporated different parts of Episcopalian/Anglican liturgies throughout the world three times a month into our Sunday service.

Jennifer Leclercq
Sysco
Cypress, TX

Jennifer Leclercq trains new hires to the Customer Support team at Sysco in Cypress, Texas. She has been welcoming newcomers and teaching them how to become productive, valuable contributors to a call center team since 2013. When not in a classroom, she writes and publishes job aids, training manuals, tests IT solutions, consults with other departments on their training needs, and facilitates campus-wide wellness initiatives and employee appreciation events. Before working at Sysco, Jennifer worked for Farmers Insurance, often called to travel to catastrophe sites to help victims of natural disasters. She always made it a point to attend church during her travels to gather ideas about God's work in the world.

Outside work, Jennifer publishes a weekly church newsletter, serves on Outreach Ministries to the homeless and special needs populations, teaches Children's Chapel, Sunday School, Adult Christian Formation, and has served on Vestry and staff at St. Mary's Episcopal in Cypress. In her free time, she researches the history and stories of marginalized communities, seeking to learn more about those who differ from that which is familiar to her. She has a special affinity for welcoming and engaging those who are new to groups, whether it be at church, work, or other situations.

Areas of particular interest currently include discerning how the *Invite / Welcome / Connect* ministry can be utilized at her home parish, and how social media is enabling the spread of God's kingdom throughout the digital world. Jennifer sees her most important life's work as contributing to joy and beauty in the lives of all of God's children. Her ultimate goal is a world of peace and harmony, and she sees empathetic and patient holy listening of each other's stories as a means to achieving that goal.

Jennifer lives in Cypress, Texas with her husband, three children in middle/high school, and two oddly cat-like Basenji dogs.

Sandra Montes
Houston, TX

I arrived in the United States when I was nine years old. At that time, and where we settled, the majority of the people in my life were Latino/Hispanics. When we moved to Houston in 1986 I was blessed to live in a multicultural neighborhood and attend a high school that allowed me to experience different cultures, languages, and religions. Because of that, and because I belong to a Church whose members in power do not often look like me nor speak my language, I have been very attuned to differences and to the need for reconciliation, education, and cross-cultural competency.

I have been an elementary public school teacher for over twenty years. All the schools I have served have been in low socioeconomic neighborhoods, with single- or no-parent un- or under-employed households, with a high homeless and foster population and multicultural (with the majority of students being African-American or Latinos/Hispanics). I have taught bilingual (English/Spanish), English as a Second Language, Music and Reading Recovery to PK-6 grade students. As a life-long learner (I am close to receiving a doctorate in Curriculum and Instruction) I have dedicated my career to helping students see that there is hope in education. I try to teach my students that there is something else out there that needs to grow from within. I try to plant the seeds of hope, love, peace, acceptance, and faith and can only pray others in their life are also nurturing them into full-blown trees, fruits, and flowers.

My passions include music, writing, and technology. My expertise in these passions and in education have allowed me to speak to many people in and out of the Episcopal Church and in every presentation I include my multi- and cross-cultural experiences.

The Rev'd Brandt L. Montgomery
Curate, Canterbury Episcopal Chapel
Tuscaloosa, AL

The Rev'd Brandt L. Montgomery comes from Alabama, where he has served as the Curate of Canterbury Episcopal Chapel at the University of Alabama. He has also served Episcopal parishes in Alabama, Florida, Texas, Pennsylvania, and New York.

Montgomery completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Montevallo majoring in music performance. In 2012, Brandt received the Master of Divinity (cum laude) from The General Theological Seminary, NYC, where he received the George Cabot Ward prize for Biblical Reading and Service to the Church.

His interests lie in American Church history, jazz, and ballroom dancing.

Ayesha Mutope-Johnson
Chair, Province VII Multicultural Relations and Racial Reconciliation Network
Houston, TX

Born in the Caribbean, Ayesha is a cradle Anglican who taught Sunday school in her native country of Trinidad and Tobago before straying far, far from the church to “find herself.” When she renewed her faith and joined the Episcopal Church, the unmistakable joy of the elegant and ceremonial liturgical worship captured her senses.

A member of St. James Episcopal Church, Houston, since 1991, Ayesha has served on the vestry, the long-range planning committee, the school board, the school strategic planning committee (chair), the school fundraising committee (chair), the Head of School search committee (chair), and the visioning board for rebuilding the church after it was demolished by a tornado. She is a member of Daughters of the King, Episcopal Church Women, the Ushers Guild, Lectors, new member mentors and the Christian Formation Commission. Ayesha teaches adult Christian Education, conceiving, designing and preparing her own syllabi after careful research. Annually, since its inception at St. James 10 years ago, she has taught the adult class in Vacation Bible School.

A member of the Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE) since 2005, Ayesha has begun research and preparation for conducting racial reconciliation programs in her home community of Houston. In September 2014, just one month after the killing of Michael Brown in Ferguson, MO, as Programming Chair of the Rev. John Dublin Epps Chapter of UBE, Ayesha organized a panel discussion: “Intergenerational Perspectives on the Church’s Mission for People of Color,” which broached the very current issues of extra-judicial killings of young Black men in America’s cities. This discussion led to a Bishop’s meeting to advance the concerns of people of color within the Diocese of Texas, and has been instrumental in supporting the Bishop’s efforts to lead the dialog that will serve to dismantle, tooth and nail, racism in the Diocese.

Ayesha is married to Caliph Johnson, and has three adult children and three grandchildren.

The Reverend J. Oliver Lee, Jr., *Obl.*, OSB
Rector, Trinity Episcopal Church
North Dallas, TX

Fr. Oliver is the Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church in North Dallas. Before coming to Trinity, he served as the Priest-in-Charge of St. George Episcopal Church in South Dallas; and as the Middle School Chaplain at the Parish Episcopal School, Dallas. He has also served as the Assistant Rector of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Garland. In addition, he previously served as the Associate Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church in Lawrence, Kansas; and as a Curate at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, Dallas. Fr. Oliver also currently serves as a Chaplain with the Dallas Police Department.

Fr. Oliver made his promises as an *Oblate*, a Second Order Monastic in the Order of St. Benedict, on July 10, 1999. He was subsequently ordained to the Deaconate and to the Sacred Order of Priests. He is licensed as a Priest in the Episcopal Church, a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion.

He pursued his undergraduate and graduate studies in Political Science, Law and Theology, at the United States Naval Academy, the University of Kansas, Weston Jesuit School of Theology, and Harvard University. His degrees include a Bachelor's, Master's and Doctorate.

Fr. Oliver served in the United States Marine Corps, and subsequently, as a Commissioned Officer in the U.S. Army's Special Forces, commonly known as the Green Berets. As a Foreign Service Officer (R) in the United States Department of State, he was stationed in The People's Republic of China; Beirut, Lebanon; and various other assignments around the world.

Fr. Oliver was conferred the degree of Jurist Doctor and is an Attorney licensed in the State of Texas, various Federal Courts, and the UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT. He is a former Federal Prosecutor (Senior Trial Attorney; GS-15) with the United States Department of Justice.

Fr. Oliver previously served as an Associate Municipal Court Judge for the City of Dallas, Texas.

Rhonda Rogers **Junior Warden, Trinity Midtown**

Rhonda Rogers is a cradle Episcopalian who regularly worships at Trinity Midtown since moving from Rochester, NY in 2010. She serves as an acolyte, lector and Verger, LEM, Intercessor, and leads Evening Prayer twice a month. She is currently the Junior Warden but has also served as Senior Warden, delegate to Diocesan Council, and assistant treasurer.

In the Diocese of Rochester, she was an adjunct trainer for Congregational Development. She served on Standing Committee and was appointed to the Anti-Racism Committee.

Rhonda worked for Mobil and ExxonMobil for over 38 years in various positions including process and product development, technical advisor, and several management positions. In addition to her technical career, Rhonda led employee training for Diversity and Inclusion and Organizational Development at Mobil.

She completed Education for Ministry (EfM) in 2003 and is trained as an EfM mentor. Rhonda's spiritual journey includes regularly consulting with a spiritual director and participating in retreats with the Order of St. Helena, an Episcopal order where she is an Associate. She is a member of Daughters of the King.

The Reverend Dr. Matthew Seddon
Priest-in-Charge, St. John's Episcopal Church

The Reverend Dr. Matthew Thomas Seddon joined St. John's Episcopal Church as Priest-in-Charge in August, 2014. He has served as Deacon Administrator and then as Vicar of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in West Valley, Utah. He worked closely with La Iglesia Episcopal San Esteban, a community of immigrants who also worshiped in the same building. He has training in multicultural ministry, including work in and with the Anglican Church in Mexico. He currently serves on several Church-wide committees, including serving as the Assistant Director of the Commission on Hispanic Ministry, the World Mission Board, the Province 7 Anti-Racism Committee, and as a teacher at First-Time-in-Charge.

Fr. Matt has B.A., M.A. and PhD. degrees from The University of Chicago in Anthropology. He had a 20-year career as an archaeologist working in Peru, Bolivia and the American West before receiving a M.Div. degree from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley, California. He speaks, preaches and presides in both English and Spanish.

In his "down" time, Fr. Matt is an avid reader (archaeology, geology, history, art and mystery novels in the style of Raymond Chandler and Dashiell Hammett). He labors hard to get to the mountains and desert when possible, and enjoys camping and fishing. He was a DJ for his campus radio station in college and still has an addiction to obscure alternative music. He also enjoys playing guitar with his daughter (everything from Taylor Swift to Green Day to local favorite Robert Earl Keen).

Fr. Matt is married to Dr. Heather Stettler, who is an archaeologist and environmental consultant; their daughter is 16.

Louis L. Smith, III
Elkhart, Tx.

Age 74 yrs. one year college. current job: Sr. Security Supervisor, Rusk State Hospital Past work history: Psychiatric Nursing Assistant, Truck driver, Industrial machinery salesman, Pressure control operator - oil rigs, Steel foundry pattern maker, Cabinet maker. U S Army, 1963-1967, Military Police.

Denise Trevino
Diocese of Texas

Denise coordinates and executes a Diocese-wide series of programs specifically designed to increase understanding and appreciation of diversity and inclusive communities. She works directly with various diocesan entities on community building through workshops and training events. She also works with various groups on exploring new Hispanic ministry, intercultural youth events, inter-generational events, and more

Jennifer Wickham
Corpus Christi, TX

I have been a member of the Episcopal Church all my life and have had the pleasure of participating in a number of local, national and international Episcopal ministries. I've worked for Episcopal institutions for most of my career, allowing me to experience a wide variety of theologies, ministry settings, and opportunities to see the Church at work in the world. I currently work for the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Haiti as the Development Coordinator for Saint Vincent's Centre for Handicapped Children in Port-au-Prince.

I have been a mentor trainer (and mentor) for Education for Ministry (EfM) for 14 years, and recently served as first alternate deputy at the 78th General Convention. I also serve as a member of the Discernment Committee of the Diocese of West Texas and am a regular contributor to our diocesan magazine. I have a master's degree in sociology, with a special focus in organizational evaluation.

I am the mother of two college sons and am married to an Episcopal priest. I'm also a potter, weaver and musician during my free time--something I find it harder and harder to find these days!