

## Diane Eberhardt



Diane and her husband John have been attending St. Matthew's since 2013. They had visited several times and even attended for a short time in the late 1970's before their son was born. Diane was raised in a Christian church in Indianapolis and baptized in a Presbyterian church there. After marrying John who is a cradle Episcopalian Diane was confirmed in 1984 at St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church in Birmingham, AL where they lived for a short while.

Diane and John have been married for 48 years and they have one son who lives in Athens. Diane is a retired elementary teacher. She spent a lot of time volunteering at the Southeast Coop and started a tutoring program there for the client's children.

Diane is the chairperson for the Newcomers Ministry. She thinks it is very important to welcome our visitors and make sure they get connected to people and ministries at St. Matthew's. She also schedules the Greeters at the door. She is a member of the Pastoral Care ministry and the Christian Formation committee.

She said her passion is to help St. Matthew's be that welcoming home that we describe in our mission statement.

## Sarah Koriath



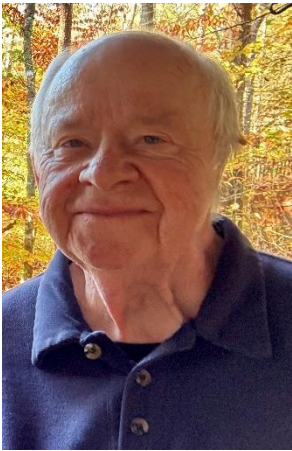
Sarah is a lifelong Episcopalian, actively involved in her church community from a young age. Growing up with parents who regularly served on church vestries, Sarah developed a deep commitment to serving her church and building relationships within the community.

Sarah and her family moved to Lawrenceville about two and a half years ago and have been attending St. Matthew's since then. Her youngest child was baptized at St. Matthew's in 2022. Along with her husband of 19 years, Chris, and their two children, Natalie (5) and Mason (3), Sarah is a familiar face at the church, often seen helping with Sunday School and Nursery while Chris assists in the AV booth. She has been an active member of the Christian Formation Committee, contributing to annual events like the Christmas Pageant and Easter Egg Hunt.

Originally from Erie, PA, Sarah graduated from Otterbein University in Columbus, OH, with a degree in Stage Management and a minor in Business. She has been a resident of Georgia since 2002, with a five-year stint in Maine for her job. For 20 years, Sarah has worked for Compass Rose Events, a national corporate event producer, executing over 300 employee appreciation events annually with attendances ranging from 500 to 20,000. In her current role as VP of Shared Services, she manages the Marketing, Communications, Human Resources, IT, and Contract Teams for the Maine-based company. She is fortunate to work from home full-time, allowing her the flexibility to balance busy family life and community involvement.

Sarah is passionate about nurturing and building a faith community that provides her kids (and all St. Matt's kids) unconditional support, lifelong friendships, and loving examples of service to others, mirroring the experiences she cherished growing up in her hometown church.

## Ted Sawyer



I am originally from Buffalo, NY and moved to Georgia in 1985. With a 38 year banking career, I worked primarily as a Commercial Lender. I'm a cradle Episcopalian and have been a member of St Matthews for 40 years. I previously served on one of Fr. Doug Coil's first vestries. My commitments to the church have included pledging member, Sunday School teacher, Benevolent Society member, Stephen Minister, Long Range Planning, Counting Team, Greeter and Usher.

What I see in the church now, under Fr. Tim's leadership, is a new vibrancy in so many areas. New growth is upon us. I would like the opportunity to be a part of this, and with God's help, work to enhance this movement going forward.

## Bernie Waller



Born Wokingham, England, Family: Married to Donna Leverette Waller. Together we have seven grown children and 12 grandchildren. And 2 great grandchildren. We live in a 100-year-old house in Stone Mountain Village. Occupation: I worked for Kawasaki Motors Corp., USA, as a Distribution Center Manger. I started one week after emigrating from England in 1973 to New Jersey. I transferred to Atlanta with the company in 1976, and here I am, 44 years later, now retired. I attended St John's in College Park for seventeen years where I served on vestry twice. I married Donna at St. Michael's & All Angels and transferred my membership in 1998. While at St Michaels I taught Sunday school, and Rite 13/ JTA. I was an acolyte, sang in the choir, and again served on vestry twice. I transferred to St Matthew's in February 2010. I currently sing in the choir, and attend St. Andrew's brotherhood, playing in the bells. **Vision for St. Matthew's:** To support the vestry's vision.