

Board of Deacons Slate 2021

Lisa Bueche



Lisa Bueche currently works as a Spiritual Director/Companion and Enneagram teacher. She is married, with two sons, who grew up in the youth program at First Community Church. Currently, she serves on the Spirituality Network Board of Ohio and was Chair of the Wellstreams School for Spiritual Direction advisory council. For many years Lisa served on the Spiritual Searcher Committee and The Burkhart Center Steering Committee of First Community Church which brings world-renowned interfaith teachers to the central Ohio area. She is an accredited professional member of the International Enneagram Association and the Spiritual Directors International Association.

Aaron Carmack



The son of a choir director and organist, married to the daughter of an organist and Lutheran minister, Aaron Carmack has been a regular church attendee his entire life. Perhaps not surprisingly, he and Gwen found First Community Church thru the music program, where they have been singing actively for almost 20 years. Aaron and Gwen formally joined FCC 12 years ago and continue to be active in the music program. Aaron was the Chancel Choir president from 2013 thru 2019, and in 2020 was on the music director search committee that led to the hiring of Andy and Amy Blosser.

Terry Davis



Terry Davis joined the church with his wife, Barb, in 1996. He said that since they had moved to Columbus five years prior, he had been attending “The Church of the Sunday New York Times”, but they began watching First Community Church on TV, and gotten involved with Couples’ Circle #47 which they still enjoy to this day. It was the progressive and inclusive message that was attractive to him, and continues to anchor his faith. He served on the Governing Board from 2000 to 2005, including a year as Chair. From 2004 to the present, he has championed our churches’ involvement in the Rafiki Children’s Center in Kenya – an orphanage for children whose parents have died of AIDS. FCC is heavily involved with Rafiki and the “First Community Church Boys’ Dormitory” houses half of the orphans on their 10-acre campus which also includes an Academy for children pre-school through grade eight. Dr. Davis is looking forward to being a Deacon. “The emphasis on personal service feels very much in synch with where I am in retirement, and an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of others”, he said.

Terry and Barb have two grown sons, Jamie and Greg, who both live in Columbus with their wives, Stephanie and Cathy. Between them, they account for seven grandchildren – lots of fun activities to engage with them.

Chris Dusseau

Martha Livingston



Martha is a registered nurse and retired health care executive. She is the owner of M+M Transitions, a small business that helps seniors downsize facilitating their move. When she returned to Columbus 20 years ago, Martha joined First Community Church. She has participated in mission trips to Tecate, Mexico and Iquitos, Peru (Amazon). Currently she is a member of Friendship Circle #28, the Health and Safety Committee, Akita Council and Guild Group WW. Martha is the Treasurer of the Women’s Guild and serves on the Executive Committee and Board. Recently, she authored the revision of the Women’s

Guild Bylaws. Martha is a Canine Companions for Independence puppy raiser and is the Chair of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee for the A Thousand Summers, John Austin Cheley Foundation. Martha is honored to serve as Deacon at First Community.

Rachel Mushrush



After moving to Columbus in 1984, Rachel and her husband, Steve, joined FCC in 1985 at the invitation of Steve's cousin, Barbara Boggs. Previously, Rachel had been active in Presbyterian churches in Newark, Chicago, and Wooster as a Vacation Bible School teacher, an elder and a deacon.

More recently, after retiring from teaching middle school for thirty-five years and having enjoyed working with English-language-learners mainstreamed into her classroom, she was drawn to involvement that would connect her to new Americans. She joined the FCC Refugee Task Force, becoming an English tutor and working with others to serve the needs of refugees and new immigrants.

She looks forward to serving as a deacon at First Community.

Chris Stanley



Chris Stanley is originally from the small town of Waverly in southern Ohio, and relocated to Columbus to attend law school at Ohio State. Chris is the General Counsel of BroadStreet Partners, headquartered here in Columbus. Chris is also the co-owner (along with his wife, Kylie) of The Stanley Real Estate Group, which is a real estate investment company in central Ohio.

Chris lives in Upper Arlington with his wife Kylie and two children (Landon – 7, Camryn - 4). Chris is currently serving as the vice-chair of First Community's Stewardship Council and plans to serve as the chair of the Stewardship Council for the 2022 pledge campaign. Chris and his family attend Akita Family Camp in the summers. He is also a member of the OpenDoor team, and has served on the Membership Council. Additionally, Chris enjoys attending Burkhardt Center events. Both Landon and Camryn have

attended preschool at First Community (South Campus) and Landon participates in the choir and midweek missions.

Kylie Stanley



Kylie Stanley is originally from Xenia, Ohio. She attended Ohio University, and is a graphic designer. She worked over ten years in the design industry at Moody Nolan, a national architecture firm, until she transitioned to working from home full-time to grow their business with Chris, her husband. The Stanley Real Estate Group, their business, is an investment company, where they acquire, rehab and then rent residential real estate in the central Ohio area. They live in Upper Arlington with their two children, Landon (7) and Camryn (4). Kylie is currently on the Early Childhood Council and the Membership Council. She enjoys greeting people through the OpenDoor team on Sundays and participates in the K-5 Youth activities such as MidWeek Missions and choir with Landon. Their family has attended several Family Camps at Akita, which is a special point of connection to the church family. She also enjoys attending many events held through the Burkhardt Center. Aside from church events, Kylie is an active parent with First Community Preschool, where both children have attended preschool and she herself has subbed and benefited from many Parent Growth gatherings. First Community has enriched her life in a very meaningful way through community connections and program offerings!