

## 2022-2023\* Officer Nominees

### Elder Class 2023:

Charlie Burnette	Anna Richards	Melissa Tilden
Dennis Haire	Matthew Shelton	Sue Williams
Scott Huffman	Claudia Snowber-Marini	

### \*Deacon Class 2021:

Hall Rogers

### Deacon Class 2023:

Bill Beaty	Elizabeth Handy	Kelly Williamson
Rene Brannan	Lucille Harper	
Ashley Gibson	Becky Trella	

## Biographical Information

### Elder:

**Charlie Burnette:** Charlie and Marcia have been members of OAPC since the early 1980s. Charlie has served as Moderator of the Deacons and three terms in the Session. He has served in leadership positions in Sunday School, youth groups, Ann Barron Child Development Center, and many others. He has practiced law in Rock Hill for 41 years and is the father of 4 children.

**Dennis Haire:** Dennis is a native of Rock Hill and a graduate of Rock Hill High School and Clemson University (Mechanical Engineering). He and his wife, Lynn, were members of Oakland Avenue Presbyterian in the mid-1980s before moving to Greenville. They rejoined in 2009. He was an Elder before serving as Chairman of the Communications & Technology Committee. Dennis also works with the STAR Program, the HOPE Garden Team and the Property Committee. He retired from Bowater as Engineering Manager after 32 years of service in 2010. He and Lynn have 2 sons and 4 granddaughters.

**Scott Huffman:** Scott joined OAPC in 2012. He is married to Robin and they have twin daughters, Hannah, and Grace. He has been an Elder, Vice Chair of the Strategy Task Force, a member of the Pastor Nominating Committee, and has served as a scripture reader and usher. Scott is the Coordinator for Family Promise and serves on the Missions Committee. He is a Professor of Political Science and Director of the Social & Behavioral Research Lab at Winthrop University. His interests include fly fishing and flat-water kayaking.

**Anna Richards:** Anna has been a lifelong member of OAPC. She is currently a teacher at Rosewood Elementary School. Anna and her husband, Brian, have two children, Hunter, and Sara. She has previously served on the Nominating committee and Youth Ministry Team. She has been a Sunday School teacher and Deacon at OAPC.

**Matthew Shelton:** Matthew and Misti joined OAPC in the spring of 2019. They both help with Family Promise, and are regular attenders of the Watering Hole Sunday School class. Matthew is the proud father of two high energy boys, John Howard (10) and Alex (8). He has served York County as a prosecuting attorney for the past 14 years.

**Claudia Snowber-Marini:** Claudia has been a member of OAPC since Jan. of 2015. She is married to Ryan Snowber-Marini, and is the mother of Sawyer Jane Snowber-Marini.

**Melissa Tilden:** Melissa, along with her husband Spike, joined OAPC in May 2019 by transfer from First United Methodist Church in Laurens, SC. During the 30+ years they attended First Methodist, Melissa served in numerous positions, including twice on the Staff Parish Relations Committee, as Chair of the Education Committee, UM Youth Fellowship leader, VBS Director, adult Sunday School teacher for 25+ years, handbell choir for 30+ years, and other positions relating mainly to education. Since retiring to Rock Hill in November of 2018, and joining OAPC, she has joined the handbell choir, is a STAR Tutor and an office volunteer. Melissa is an avid walker and joined in the CROP Hunger Outreach walk in 2019. She is also a golfer, and loves to read.

**Sue Williams:** Sue has been a disciple of OAPC since 1998. Sue is a Stephen Minister, a member of the Mission and Commitment committees, participates in the WOW and M&M circles, and attends the Watering Hole Sunday School class. She is also involved in groups studying about immigration and anti-racism issues. In the past Sue has been a Deacon, Sunday School teacher, Youth Advisor, and assistant with the Agape Youth Choir. Sue enjoys walking, kayaking, reading and a variety of crafts. Sue is married to Carrot Williams and the mother of three adult children: Rachel, Angela, and Nate. Sue is employed by the Rock Hill School District and teaches students with special needs.

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### Deacon:

**Bill Beaty:** Bill is a lifetime member of OAPC. He previously served as a Deacon and an Elder. He has participated in various areas in the life of the church over the years, including Stewardship Chairman, adult Sunday School teacher and other areas. Bill and Karen have been blessed with two children and 4 grandchildren. Milton, Aimee, Ellie, and Davis Beaty along with Leigh, Kevin, Brooks and Ford Meetze, who are also active members of OAPC.

**René Brannan:** René joined our church in 1985 and has been both an Elder and Deacon. René worked with the youth of our church for over 16 years, and is currently a member of the PAW Circle. She is involved in many activities at OAPC along with her husband Gary. They have two sons, Jamie, and wife Corrie, both active members of our church, and Ben and his wife Valerie. Ben is currently a resident pastor at Myers Park Presbyterian Church in Charlotte. René recently retired from South State Bank and is an active member of our community, participating in the Rock Hill Parks and Recreation Commission and other city and community activities.

**Ashley Gibson:** Ashley and her husband, John, joined OAPC in Nov. of 2014. They have 13-year-old twin daughters, Mary Hope and Virginia. She has been a middle school Sunday School teacher and has volunteered for various youth events during their time at OAPC. A former English teacher, she is now a school librarian at Catawba Ridge High School in Fort Mill.

**Elizabeth Handy:** Elizabeth rejoined OAPC in 2013 after returning from Charleston. She helps with the Hunger Outreach Program (HOP), is active in her PW circle and helps prepare meals for the Haven. She is married to David, and is mother to Aimee Beaty (Milton), Andy (Sarah Tumlin) Pertuset and Matthew Pertuset and Landon Pertuset. She is grandmother to Aimee and Milton's two children. Elizabeth is an RN with an MBA and works with Carolinas Health Systems and the AVP of clinical quality and public reporting. She loves her job and helping others. She loves life and being with family and grandchildren. She has two dogs, loves to cook and garden, and loves decorating her home for entertaining. She considers it an honor to serve our church family.

**Lucille Harper:** Lucille has served as Deacon for three previous years. She is on the Worship Committee and has also served as a Stephen Minister. In the past, Lucille sang in the choir, taught children's choirs, and worked at Bethelwoods as music director of M.A.D. camps. She taught elementary music for 28 years in the Rock Hill School District. Lucille and Roland have four daughters and eight grandchildren.

**Hall Rogers** (Class of 2021\*): Hall was baptized at OAPC at the age of 1,2 upon completing Confirmation class. He moved his membership to First Presbyterian Church in York, SC when he married Mary Templeton. They were blessed with a son, Jack, and a daughter, Joanna. He became Deacon & Elder while at York. They moved their membership to OAPC about 20 years ago. They attend the Julian Lake Sunday School class & attend the 8:45 a.m. worship service. Hall is a member of the Property committee, and helps serve families at HOPE of Rock Hill on Mondays. Hall is recently retired, but helping several folks part-time.

**Becky Trella:** Becky has been a Presbyterian since her baptism at age 5, and has been a member of OAPC since 2018, shortly after moving to Rock Hill from south Charlotte. She became an ordained Deacon and Elder in the Presbyterian Church while attending The Old Stone Church in Cleveland, Ohio. Previously she has served on Mission, Worship and Adult Education committees. Becky is currently a member of the quilt ministry, the Chancel Choir, and Revelation Ringers. Now retired, she spent most of her working years as a travel agent. Becky is married to David. With that marriage came two fine sons, Ben, and Chris. Two lovely granddaughters, Sydney, and Grace, have since been added to the family.

**Kelly Williamson:** Kelly joined our church in 2003. She has been a member of both Pastor and Associate Pastor Nominating committees, and Elementary Education committee. She has served as the Stewardship chair, Vice Moderator and Moderator of Deacons, as a nursery volunteer, Sunday School teacher, VBS volunteer, and on a DeaconCare team. Kelly is married to Patrick and they have two children, Marianna, and Hayes. She is a Family Nurse Practitioner and enjoys hiking, walking, reading, snow skiing, Clemson football, and any outdoor adventure with the family.