

VESTRY & ENDOWMENT NOMINATIONS

The following individuals have been chosen as candidates for the new class of 2026. The vestry recommends this slate of candidates to the parish.



Photo: Flo McCall

ROBERT AYERS | VESTRY

Robert Ayers says, “I have a blessed life.” He lives in Jackson with his wife, Katie, and their two children, Ellie (age ten) and Sam (age seven). Growing up in the flatlands of Katy, Texas, it is a dream come true for him to raise his family in this magical place. Robert is a partner at Holland & Hart, and Katie is a nurse at the village clinic, as well as a full-time mom. He loves to ski, climb, read, and do anything outdoors with his family.

Robert first met Jimmy Bartz at the airport after he started working in Jackson in 2018, and his family has been fortunate to be involved with St. John’s Episcopal Church ever since. St. John’s mission to make a love-spreading difference in the valley and beyond is at the core of Robert’s faith, and he is honored to be part of this church family. Robert volunteers with Habitat for Humanity and Coombs Outdoors.



BILL BUFORD | ENDOWMENT

William (Bill) Burford manages an investment and financial services firm after spending most of his career as a tax and estate planning lawyer with short stints in banking and environmental conservation. Bill was born and raised in Detroit and attended the University of Michigan, where he earned his undergraduate and law degrees. He also holds a master’s degree in taxation from New York University.

Bill and his wife, Katherine, moved to Jackson Hole in 2020 after raising their two children (son Will and daughter Dylan) in Los Angeles. Bill enjoys a wide array of outdoor and arts-related activities in the area. He currently serves as board chair of Jackson Hole Community Radio, Inc. (KHOL), development co-chair at the Center for the Arts, and as a director of a grantmaking foundation in Southern California.