

Council Candidates

These are our candidates for a three-year term on Council beginning January, 2027. At the November 8th Annual Meeting members can vote for up to five candidates, which means you may vote for them all.

Richard Franklin Jr.

Born and raised in Fairfield County, Connecticut, Rick was a practicing Roman Catholic in his youth. He and his wife, Lois, relocated to Sussex County, Delaware, in 2017. Throughout his career, Rick worked with regional and national auto parts companies and successfully managed several automotive-related businesses. His extensive experience in the automotive industry reflects a lifelong passion for the field and a strong entrepreneurial spirit. In retirement, Rick enjoys motorcycling, tackling home improvement projects, and giving back to his community. He joined Community Lutheran Church in 2025. He actively volunteers with the Food Bank and supports a variety of other local organizations, dedicating his time and energy to helping others.



Donald Nemeth (he/him) was baptized and raised in the Lutheran Church in his childhood hometown. While he was living in Princeton, NJ he attended Catholic church and was a member of the parish orchestra. He became a member of CLC in 2022 and was a part of the music ministry playing guitar. Since then, he plays the piano on a regular basis for church services. He is part of Koinonia and outside of church, is the Chaplin for his masonic lodge.

Eva Nemeth (she/her), Baptized and raised as a Roman Catholic, she has been a member of Community Lutheran since the fall of 2022. She led two years of vacation bible school at CLC and continues to be a member of the Altar Care, Koinonia and the Prayer and Care team.



Tina Snapp (she/they/them). After 30 years of service as an Examining Attorney for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the Department of Commerce, I retired at the end of 2025. Since that time, I have been enjoying life and spending quality time with my chosen community at Community Lutheran Church. I was raised in the Presbyterian Church and also previously attended the United Church of Christ and the Methodist Church. I believe that the members of Community Lutheran Church have created a loving and caring community, whose dedication and commitment to the wellbeing of others speaks volumes about who we are as a community and what we hope to achieve in the future. Having the opportunity to be part of this community has been a huge blessing in my life. I became a member of the church in 2025 and have assisted with the church's food pantry, the welcoming committee, and the worship committee. I've also enjoyed participating in the book and bible study classes and the Koinonia groups.

Mary Ann Trueheart: Born and raised in Pittsburgh, PA, (go Steelers). After varying careers as a darkroom technician (when x-rays were developed by hand), medical transcriptionist, legal secretary, paralegal, and customer service rep, she retired in 2014. Mary Ann considers herself a recovering catholic and escaped organized religion 134 years ago. On her spiritual journey, she discovered CLC and now considers this her spiritual home and the congregation her chosen family. Mary Ann looks forward to serving God and God's people along and among all of you.

