

Richard (Rich) Gaffney



I was raised in a strict Roman Catholic family and was educated at Catholic schools to know about Jesus Christ, but without knowing Him personally. That changed in 1992, when I was introduced to Christ by Pastor John Guest. At the altar at St. Steven's Church in Sewickley, in response to Pastor Guest's call, I gave my life to the Lord. Although daily I fail Him, I praise Him for his faithfulness, for His mercies begin afresh each morning.

My wife, Janet, and I are parents to four adult children and a wonderful ten-year old boy, Jayce. We have been members of Christ Church since May, 2006 and have been blessed with opportunities to serve on the John Guest Fellowship Ministry, at the Lakeside Café, in the Welcome Center, and on the usher team.

Together with 11 other Christian brothers, I spent four years with Christian Leadership Concepts (CLC), a national organization that "challenges men to an uncommon pursuit of Christ."

Occupationally, I am an attorney and professor at Duquesne University School of Law. I graduated from the Pennsylvania State University, Duquesne University's Graduate School of Business, where I earned an MBA, and the University of Pittsburgh Law School, where I served on the Law Review. Janet, Jayce and I live in Economy Borough.

To serve God by serving others, using my work as a mission field, and contributing my time, treasure and talents to Christ Church, so that we, as members of Christ's body, continue to spread the good news of the gospel and call our world to Christ, one person at a time.

Julian Carrillo



I grew up in Artesia, New Mexico, and attended Texas A&M University, where I earned a degree in Petroleum Engineering. I have been married to my high school sweetheart, Aundrea, for 20 years. We have three children, Isaac, Adara, and Aria, who are all involved in the middle school and children's programs at CCGF. Our family moved to the Pittsburgh area and began attending Christ Church in summer 2020, and have been members since September 2020.

I did not have any exposure to religion or faith until I was seven, when my mother began attending services at a Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall. I was introduced to the concept of faith but in a religious environment where the practice of faith did not match the teachings. Once I became a teenager, I stopped attending and went through college doing things my own way and under my own strength. While in college, Christ used my relationship with Aundrea, who was brought up in the church and is a strong woman of faith, to reveal the depth of His unconditional love. In July 2002, I gave my life to Christ, and it has been an amazing adventure since! God's leading and my work have allowed us to live in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and now Pennsylvania.

Here at CCGF, we regularly volunteer with the children's ministry and lead a *Gathering Group* in our home. I help lead the greeting and usher teams and actively participate in a *Truth at Work* roundtable that helps me grow as a Christian leader and carry my faith into the workplace.

I have always tried to keep my faith focused by following the two greatest commandments: to love God and love others. I do this by reading the Word, seeking God in prayer for understanding, and then walking in obedience to Him. I am humbled to be considered to serve on the Parish Council and look forward to serving God and working to help Christ Church pursue its vision and achieve its mission.

Richard (Rich) Clark



Raised in the Roman Catholic Church and named after my priest uncle, Fr. Ricard David Clark of the Altoona-Johnstown diocese, I did live a religious life while attending twelve years of Catholic school. However I didn't truly enter into a relationship with Christ until my junior year at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania. There my journey began in Christian fellowship, growing in the knowledge and grace of our LORD.

Graduating in criminology I spent the next five years as a correctional officer in the prison system. Transitioning into sales I eventually met my wife Jody, now of almost 27 years, at Allegheny Center Alliance Church. We were married in Israel by the Sea of Galilee in 1995. Shortly thereafter Jody began a medical equipment business in which I joined her in 2002. God has abundantly blessed our business, enabling us to be a blessing to others as we prepare to transition the business our son Kevin.

Jody and I began attending Christ Church at Grove Farm in 1999, joining shortly thereafter. I served on Parish Council from 2007 through 2013 and am humbled and honored to have been asked to rejoin the Council.

My vision for CCGF is to see that we as a church family continue call our world to Christ and to make disciples, as we strive to help each member and attendee grow and mature in the grace and knowledge of our LORD and Savior Jesus Christ.

Caleb Falbo



When I was about nine years of age, my family began attending CCGF while the church was congregating at Moon High School. We continued attendance at the church through the time of its relocation to the new and present church property. Although we only attended for approximately three years of my childhood, it was the reverence and awe with which God was worshiped at CCGF that struck me. For this main reason (among many others), I decided to make CCGF my home church in my adulthood. My wife Mandie and I formally joined CCGF in 2013 and we reside in Coraopolis with our two sons, Noah (10 years old) and Isaiah (22 months old).

The Lord saw fit to draw me into a relationship with Himself when I was a child. I was then baptized as an early teenager. Although my heart and lifestyle wandered away from the Lord in my early adult life, God was faithful to show me abundant grace and mercy in His granting to me repentance and forgiveness. I am now working slowly on coursework toward an online degree in Theology with the eventual aim of entering into pastoral ministry. God has also given me a passion for seeking justice with regard to pre-born children, which has resulted in my doing some sidewalk ministry work outside of local abortion clinics. For the past year, I have enjoyed the privilege of teaching/facilitating Adult Ed on Sunday mornings alongside Dick Jenkins.

As a concise statement of faith, I whole-heartedly subscribe to both the Nicene and Apostles' creeds. In addition, I accept the 39 Articles of Religion to be a sound summation of orthodox Christian and Biblical teaching. Practically, I strive to the best of my ability and with the help of the Holy Spirit to meet the qualifications for Parish Council as outlined in our church's bylaws through the Scriptures in 1 Timothy 3:8-13. Fundamentally, I view the role of a Parish Council member as a role which is defined by service to its members, both clergy and laity. If the Lord would affirm me for this role through His local body of CCGF, I would be humbled and honored to serve Christ's church in this way.