

## Church Staff Questionnaire

1. How long have you been in ministry? How long at St. Thomas?

I have been a member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church for 22 years and in the position of Christian Formation Director for 20 years.

2. Why did you start working in ministry.

I was asked by Father Scott Penrod, who at that time was the assistant priest, to share this position with another person. Within 6 months the other person moved away and so the responsibility stayed with me.

3. As a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?

My Grandfather was a Baptist minister and I wanted to be just like him, but in those days that was not an option for females. The best that I could do was to be a missionary. So that is what I decided to do.

4. Tell us about your family.

I have a wonderful husband named Gary, and two daughters. Genese is 28 years old and a NICU nurse who also is on the transport team at North Central Baptist. Breanna is 27 and a camera operator in Hollywood, CA.

5. Do you have any pets?

OH YES!!! My beautiful puppy named Heidi. She never leaves my side when we are together and is a wonderful part of the family! She's my baby!

6. Tell us about your hobbies.

I do not have time for hobbies....but one day I dream of having many.

7. Do you have any hidden talents?

Yes, but they are hidden!!

8. Name one thing that not many people know about you.

Although I have a very outgoing personality, I just really like to be alone with my music and nature.

9. What is the craziest thing you have ever done?

HA, Ha, Ha, wouldn't you like to know!!! Maybe one day I will whisper one of them to you! But I did go to the real Woodstock when I was 12! I had no idea what I was doing!

10. If you could change places with a Bible character, who would you choose? Why?

Ruth because she was courageous, kind, and loved deeply. She loved God even though she did not grow up to know that God existed. She was faithful, obedient, and a wonderful role model.

11. What is your favorite book of the Bible? Why?

Job. He never gave up on God even when his life seemed to have fallen apart and God had deserted him. Then God spoke to him and set him straight back onto the path he was to follow, he listened, he honoured God, never doubted God's voice and God rewarded Job.

12. If you could perform miracles, what would you do?

Heal the sick and downtrodden. Take their pain away.

13. When you think about God - what is the first thing that comes to mind?

LOVE! MERCY! KINDNESS! JUST! HUMBLE! MINE!

14. What do you think delights God above anything else?

When God's people follow and obey. There is an old Baptist tune that says, "Trust and obey, for there is no other way, to be happy with Jesus, but to trust and obey."