

## Nomination for deputy to General Convention 2024 for Lay Order: Emily Fletcher

I was born and raised in the diocese of Central Florida. I was baptized at and attended St. Paul's in New Smyrna Beach, then worshipped at Grace Episcopal in Port Orange, and currently St. Peter's in Lake Mary. I have been a nurse for almost 20 years and currently own a family medicine practice with my husband Dr. Brandon Fletcher in Longwood. I am also a postulant seminarian in my second year at Reformed Theological Seminary. I have three daughters, Skyla who is 21yo, Bella is 16yo, and Finnley is 3yo.

It is my honor to currently serve at St. Peter's as a LEM, lector, thurifer, LEV, trainer for acolytes/LEM, intercessory prayer team, altar guild, and flower guild. I also volunteer with the youth group and facilitate our St. Peter's Pillar of Prayer Facebook group. I am a member of the Prayer Pillar committee and the Community Pillar committee. I facilitate a weekly women's bible study group currently studying the book of James. I am also a member of the New Beginnings Committee with Rev. Phyllis Bartle and Rev. Kevin Bartle, whom I met at New Beginnings as a youth ~30 years ago. I attend each retreat weekend to work along side the youth team members. I also volunteer as camp nurse at Camp Wingmann. I have also served as a vestry member at St. Peter's and was formerly Senior Warden.

I recently had the opportunity to attend the Communion Partner Leaders Gathering at Canterbury, where I was blessed to meet priests and bishops from around the world and discuss some of the pressing issues of our time. As a future clergy member (God willing), it is important to me to stay involved and keep my ear to the ground, while keeping my head and heart in scripture and prayer. I am interested in learning more about the polity of our greater Episcopal church and being involved in whatever way the Lord leads me.