

# SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## NEW MEMBERS

### WOODARD FAMILY



John, Julie, Jennifer and Jessica Woodard moved to Northville in August of 2007 from Gurnee, Illinois, just outside of Chicago. They were very active in their previous church, St. Andrews Episcopal Church-Grayslake, Illinois, where John was Junior Warden. They found St. John's through Rev. George Davinich, who was in seminary with the rector of St. Andrews-Grayslake. John is an Associate Professor of Psychology and Clinical Neuropsychologist at Wayne State University, where he teaches and conducts research on memory changes in aging and Alzheimer's disease. He is also an avid amateur radio operator as his hobby. Julie transitioned out of the psychology field into art, and she enjoys teaching and painting, specializing in watercolor. John and Julie both enjoy singing in the church choir. Jennifer is finishing her freshman year at Northville High School, and she currently plays flute, enjoys swimming, and volunteers at

a nearby assisted living home. Jessica is finishing her 7<sup>th</sup> grade year at Meads Mill Middle School, and she enjoys knitting, dancing, and playing the piano.



### JANE ALLEN



Jane Allen is originally from Buffalo, NY and now lives in Canton. Jane is an ELCA Lutheran. She loves sailing and racing competitively (world class), tai chi, swimming, most outside activities including some gardening. She does various arts and crafts including embroidery and stained glass. She tries to grow orchids. She enjoys spending time with family, nieces, nephews, and friends. She works as agency at Ford Motor Co. in product development and program management/work planning.

### BETH & TIM HUBBARD



Beth was born and raised in Columbus, OH. A parochial school survivor, she graduated from Hope College in 1999 and went on to receive her Masters degree from Indiana University in athletic training. She is currently employed by Madonna University as a certified athletic trainer. Prior to meeting Tim, Beth lived and works in Grand Rapids, MI. Raised Roman Catholic, she began attending services at St. John's after

moving to the area. Beth enjoys yoga, reading, cooking, and watching Notre Dame and OSU beat Michigan.

Tim is a native of Saline, MI and grew up attending Church of the Holy Cross in Saline. He graduated in 1998 from the University of Michigan with a degree in chemical engineering. He is a process engineer and is currently employed as the Director of MEMS Operations for Integrated Sensing Systems in Ypsilanti. No one has been able to decipher what exactly he does as a process engineer, including his wife. Tim is a diehard maize and blue fan who enjoys watching sports and traveling. Beth and Tim were married in Grand Rapids in July 2006. They currently reside in Canton with their little black kitty, Houdini.



### **CONNIE McNUTT**

I have been an Episcopalian all of my life having been baptized and confirmed at St. Stephen's church in Wyandotte. Paul and I were very active in St. Stephen's, being members of the Young Couples; I sang in the choir, directed the Christmas pageant for several years and was president of the ECW. Paul and I were married by an Episcopal Chaplain at Fort Carson, Colorado in 1951 and celebrated 56 years of

wedded bliss before he died in May 2007. We raised three children who brought us a great deal of worry and tears during their teen years and a great deal of joy and happiness during their adult years. In 1987 Paul and I retired to retirement community in central Florida and lived there until December 2005, when he decided we needed to be near our children. I now live with our daughter, Shannon, in Canton. My hobbies are theatre and bridge. I used to act and direct and lot of community theatre, but with age I am content to simply sit in the audience. However, I love to play bridge, which I do at least once a week.



### **WILLIS FAMILY**

Ann and her children, Grace and Charles, live in Northville. Ann works in Farmington Hills for Aditya Birla Minacs, a global marketing company where she heads up the creative team that focuses on communications for Honda, Ford, GM, Subaru, Mazda and other Fortune 500 companies. Grace is in first grade at Moraine Elementary school and Charlie will be joining her in kindergarten at Moraine in the fall.

Life moves very fast for the Willis household and nothing is better than days packed with soccer, swimming (once the weather gets better), reading, singing, dancing and playing backyard baseball. If it involves running, jumping and hanging upside down... it's a good day.

Spending time with family is important and we're glad to live close to and spend lots of time with Grandma (Ann's mom) and Aunt Deb (Ann's sister). We're glad to be at church with cousins Susan, Molly and Lizzie Johnson.

Charlie and Gracie love Sunday school and Grace loves choir. We're all appreciative of the caring, welcoming atmosphere; the music, teaching and openness to children in worship that we've experienced since coming to church.