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### Who am I?

- Team Rector in a fast growing, diverse urban parish where I love being part of a vibrant multi-cultural community.
- Found faith in a middle of the road Scottish Episcopal church as a teenager, nurtured in faith in the evangelical tradition in Durham and London and now enjoy leading a joyfully informal, accessible, Eucharistic, diverse and inclusive church family.
- Area Dean giving insight into issues facing clergy and parishes
- Spiritual Director trained in the Ignatian tradition at the London Centre for Spirituality informing my own spirituality.
- Chair of Greenwich Winter Night Shelter trustees seeking to show Godly hospitality to homeless guests.
- Co Vice Chair of Governors for the Koinonia Schools Federation striving for every child to achieve their God given potential.
- Member of the Archbishops' College of Evangelists and author of the chapter 'the Evangelist in the Parish Church' in the book, 'Anglican Evangelists'.
- Experienced in interfaith work locally and as a member of the Council for the Faiths Forum for London for five years.
- Married to Tim, a licensed reader, mother of four grown up sons with newest member of the family, Tiger, a labradoodle puppy.
- Keen tennis player, enjoy music, the cultural life of London and being outdoors in God's amazing world.

*"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine."*

Isaiah 43: 1b

### My desire is for everyone to know that:

- they are God's precious loved child.
- Jesus came that we might have life in all its fullness.
- the Holy Spirit is at work in our lives bringing healing and wholeness.

### What would I bring to General Synod?

- Desire to see the Church of England flourish and grow in number, depth and impact.
- Encouraging the church to have a voice in the public square which is relevant for today.
- Commitment to change and transformation in our decision making and structures.
- Incisive mind and ability to grapple with complex issues.
- Confidence to speak out and be heard while listening carefully to others.
- No allegiance to any particular groups or societies

### What do I feel passionate about?

#### Inclusion of all God's people

Jesus showed us how to love the poor, the marginalised and the excluded. I long for the church to be a place where everyone feels loved and accepted and comes to know deeply that they are God's precious loved child with their identity found in Christ. I believe the church must be intentional about its welcome, its inclusion, its acceptance and its enabling of every person to participate fully in the life of the church especially those who have known intolerance, oppression or persecution.

#### The parish and beyond

The parish is a vital building block in the mission and ministry of the Church of England. As a parish priest, feeling called to love the parish and love the people is at the heart of my ministry. I also delight in emerging church working collaboratively and creatively alongside more traditional established church. The Parish of East Greenwich has received SDF funding which is enabling us to seek growth across the parish deploying pioneer ministers and building new worshipping communities.

#### Climate Change

The CYP at Christ Church East Greenwich made a film for Climate Sunday 2021 in which they said, "When the world looks back at the church in 200 years' time, will they think the church helped to stop climate change or was the church part of the problem? Will the church be viewed as a catalyst of change, or negative and outdated?" <https://youtu.be/dZhrZrBK1ww>.

#### Safeguarding and Clergy Wellbeing

I am committed to ensuring that Church of England safeguarding is excellent and makes our churches safe places for everyone; an ongoing journey needing careful attention, time and resources. I am also concerned to look after the wellbeing of clergy especially in light of the strains of the pandemic and the challenges of safeguarding and CDM issues.

#### Social justice

"Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it." (Hebrews 13:2) The local church and para church organisations offer a vital resource in our communities to coordinate and translate the willingness of people to offer their time and resources into provision for the needs of those without homes, food, access to legal justice, who are socially isolated or struggling with mental health issues.