

# 2023 Governing Board Candidate Bio



## Jim Quinn

### **How long have you been a member of Asbury First?**

Marguerite and I joined about 18 years ago. Growing up in North Carolina, I was raised in a large Methodist Church, but I had been an Episcopalian since the mid-1970s. We were living in the neighborhood (we still do) and I visited Asbury First on my own one Sunday morning. After hearing the preaching and being moved by experiencing the sanctuary filling up with music and song, I decided to come back the next week with Marguerite. We joined a short time later.

### **What have you been involved in as a member of Asbury First?**

I served on our Board of Trustees for 10 years, eight of them as President, and had the privilege of being a member of the former Staff Parish Relations Committee during periods when it was headed by three different dedicated and talented chairs. I also served as a member of the Investment Committee for many years.

### **Why do you want to be on the Governing Board?**

In 35 years of law practice (23 of them at Kodak and Carestream), I developed a good understanding of how people relate to each other and to the organizations that affect their lives in so many ways. And, I gained a real appreciation of how leaders can impact the organizations and people they serve. I would like the chance to put my insights to use again here at Asbury First.

### **What is something that you want people to know about you?**

I retired twice. A couple of years after retiring from practicing law, I felt called to give teaching a try and found a part-time position teaching business law and related subjects to undergrads at SUNY Geneseo. Part-time soon grew into a very satisfying full-time position and deep immersion in the life of the campus. I just marked my 10th year at Geneseo and “retired” by switching back to part-time this past semester. A friend told me recently that over these past 10 years I’ve “aged in reverse.” I’m not sure about that, but I have certainly found great fulfillment and inspiration from the young people I work with.

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## Wendy Featherstone

### **How long have you been a member of Asbury First?**

We joined in 1989.

### **What have you been involved in as a member of Asbury First?**

We have served in the creche as caregivers, I have taught Sunday School, assisted with youth performances, served on the Family Life council, Youth Work Area, served on the Administrative Cabinet as liaison to the Children's Education committee, Adult Education committee, Family Life council, and Youth Work area.

### **Why do you want to be on the Governing Board?**

My history of involvement as a volunteer over the years of my membership, as well as my service as president of a national physical therapy board of directors provides relevant experience. I have been looking for a means to contribute again to the ways in which Asbury First serves the community.

### **What is something that you want people to know about you?**

I am a daughter, sister, wife, mother, and grandmother. Asbury First has been a wonderful blessing to us as a family. I credit Asbury First for helping us navigate the challenges inherent in raising children and interacting with people as disciples of Christ.