Name: Christine Cirelli

Grade/Subject: Third Grade

Number of years working at CKS: I am beginning my 25th year at CKS.

About me: I have been living in Vermont for 48 years, and I love the changing seasons and the beauty of this state. I am blessed with a wonderful husband, two amazing children and an adorable granddaughter. I am fortunate to have most of my family in Vermont, so we get to see each other often. When I am not teaching in the summer, I love to be outside biking, hiking, running, swimming, catching up on good books and working in my gardens. In the winter, I enjoy snowshoeing and cross-country skiing.

Why CKS: I come from a family of educators. My parents were educators, and my siblings, husband and sister-in-law are all involved in education. I grew up knowing that I wanted to be a teacher and work with young children. When we moved to Rutland, our children had been attending St. Monica School in Barre, VT, and we decided to continue their education at CKS. Two years after moving to Rutland, I was hired to teach third grade at CKS, on a floor with veteran teachers. I learned so much in those early years and quickly grew to love the school, the staff and the community. Working at a small Catholic school has afforded me the opportunity to stay connected to my faith and really get to know the students and families. I have worked with many great teachers and staff members and continue to love teaching and being a part of the CKS community.