

Congregational Vote for New Officers and Change to By-Laws

Sunday, March 1 @ 10:05am (between services)

Introducing Candidates for Elders and Deacons and Proposed Change in By-Laws

Elder Nominees

Paul Hildebrand

I made my "mature/adult" decision for Christ in my freshman year of high school. My wife Becky and I have been coming to Chapel Hill since the early 90's. We were drawn to it by the Youth Program and the excellent Bible-based preaching of Pastor Mark and the Associate Pastors; and our three children grew up in this/our church. We are forever grateful for the role CHPC has played in the nurturing and spiritual growth of our children. And, of course, we the parents were similarly nurtured and have grown in our faith.

Both Becky and I have been eager participants in the Mexico Mission Trips. We took the bold leap and committed to serve as ushers when the contemporary worship service was begun 10 or so years ago. We also accepted the challenge to participate in a small group of disciples and to grow together in maturity through regular fellowship.

I look forward, if it is the wisdom of our church, to serve you as Elder, by His grace and guidance.

Loire Klade

I have been an active member of Chapel Hill since 1998. In the past 17 years,



faithfulness to guide me. I am humbled by the responsibility and opportunity to provide compassion and service in the name of our Lord Jesus. Thank you for your trust and support.

Tom Renne

I have been married to my wife Debbie for 32 years. We joined Chapel Hill in 1996 and have been blessed to call this our church home ever since. We raised our three kids here. We have been involved in Youth Group as well as Mission trips to Mexico. I served on the board of Deacons years ago, and I am looking forward to serving again. Our church community is changing, and so is the community around us. I am excited to see how God leads me into this new chapter of serving our church, and you, its body.

Thank you for trusting me to serve in this position. I am honored to have been nominated to be on the Board of Deacons.

Terry Weller

Being born and raised in London, England, I learned about Jesus and the Bible in school as part of the normal school curriculum. We learned about Christmas and Easter, we learned all about Moses and the 10 commandments, the exodus out of Egypt, about all the Prophets, Adam and Eve and all the parables that Jesus told. Religious Instruction was my favorite class and I excelled in it. I started going to church when I was about 15 with a high school friend. However, I cannot say that I truly knew Jesus as my Lord and Savior and friend until I faced tragedy. It was then that I realized that without Him I could do nothing and that the courage I was going to need to face what was before me had to come from the love and grace of Jesus.

In the years since then, I have always sought guidance, help, solace and peace

God has directed my spiritual path in ways that have profoundly changed my life. First and most importantly, I was introduced to Jesus (on my first visit to Chapel Hill!) as my Lord and Savior. Taking baby steps, my husband and I committed to attending church, becoming members, participating in a cove group, and serving in various ways (Greeters, Sunday School Teachers, GO Teams). Our lives were forever changed when we accepted the gift of salvation and became a part of this body of Christ, Chapel Hill. You are our family. We have raised our precious child, Rachel amongst you, and your love, support and involvement has helped us to be better parents, for this we are grateful. Most recently, I had the honor of serving two terms on the Deacon Board. The ministries of compassion that I was most involved in were: Communion, Memorial Receptions and Hospitality. This call of leadership was humbling, maturing and lead me to fall deeper in love with my Lord, whom I serve with a willing and grateful heart.

It is with great humility that I have accepted the call of Elder. I take this position seriously and commit to present myself, my time, my talents under His authority. When praying about my nomination, a dear brother in Christ prayed for me. "God doesn't call the equipped, He equips the called." Whew...thank God for His grace, love and mercy! I am ready and willing.

Deacon Nominees

Bill Harmond

With the exception of a few recent winters being spent in Arizona, I have attended Chapel Hill and then became a "member" over ten years ago. During that time, and with the efforts and support of my recently deceased spouse, I helped lead more than ten Christian mission trips to Mexico and Jamaica, helped start the Tacoma Street Ministry at Chapel Hill, helped with (and taught) Alpha and Beta classes, served as a Deacon from 2004-2007, led and served on the Titus Group for three years, served on the greeting team for three years,

from my Lord and He has never, ever, let me down; I have had to depend on Him many, many times. I have attended Chapel Hill ever since I have lived in Gig Harbor... 24 years, a long time.

It is a privilege to be asked to serve as a Deacon for my beloved church and for my brothers and sisters in Christ. I will serve in any capacity that the Lord sees fit. I will serve to the utmost of my ability and with utmost joy.

By-Laws

Proposed Motions for By-Law Changes and Nominating Committee
Session recommends that the congregation approves the changes to our
By-Laws regarding the Nominating Committee to allow at least 3 at-large
members to be elected by the congregation to serve a 3 year term and that
one-third of the total number of at-large members is to be elected annually.
Further, any at-large member who has served all or part of two consecutive full
terms shall be ineligible for reelection for one year.

Nomination Committee recommends that the congregation allow the Nominating Committee to fill the at-large positions for 2015 by electing the following individuals to serve the following terms as at-large members of the Nominating Committee:

Stacie Anderson
Brian Saucier
Shamone Allen-Stephenson
1 year
2 years
3 years
2015 - 2016
2015 - 2017



have been on the prayer team for 5 years, have hosted, led and participated in many home Bible studies, have led and been part of Cove and Life groups. I am currently in one LifeGroup, helping lead a men's Bible study and am still serving on the prayer team.

Kenny Olson

I am both honored and humbled to accept the call of Deacon at Chapel Hill Church. My wife Denise and I started attending church here in 1996 after our son became involved in the high school youth group. My schedule as a firefighter gave us freedoms and challenges, as we tried to plug in and serve the Body of Christ here at Chapel Hill. No matter where we served, whether it was in youth ministry, marriage mentoring or even as a Deacon years ago... we learned that God is faithful. He calls us out of our comfort zones, then equips us.

Now that I am retired, I have more time to dedicate to my faith, my family and my friends. I am really excited to see how God will work in my life, as I invest in the lives of others.

Dena Pitts

My husband Tom and I joined Chapel Hill in 1996, after decades of being lackadaisical believers. Something about this church captured our hearts from our very first visit. Our daughter Jayme Jones and her family also found a home here shortly thereafter. I've been joyfully active in the handbell choir ministry for many years and currently lead a LifeGroup (which we still call a "cove group"). Since retiring three years ago, I've had the privilege of attending Tuesday Morning Bible Study on a regular basis.

For years, I've been content with sitting in the background and watching others do the work. More recently, I've felt God's promptings to quit looking inward and start looking outward, trying to find an area in which I felt competent to serve. God, in His infinite wisdom, has invited me to serve as a deacon. Not that I feel competent in my own power, but I am secure in His grace and His

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