

ELDER AT LARGE (2 Year Term) - 3 Positions Available

JEFF HAWKINS

Jeff and Monica Hawkins became members at SPL in 2010. They reside in Decatur and have two children, Corbin (12) and Avani (7) who attend the LSA. Jeff is an attorney, serving over 20 years with Brown, Hawkins & Basola. Jeff has a serving heart, and he and his family have a great willingness to regularly jump in and help where needs exist. He has served as a greeter, a communion assistant, during special events like the 150th Anniversary and Decatur Celebration, and in a variety of other ways within the church. He has not served on the Board of Elders before but embraces the opportunity.

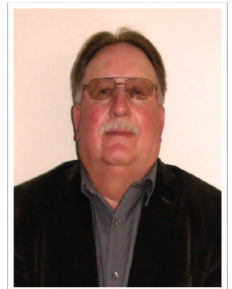


ADAM MIZE

Adam and Libby Mize became members at SPL in 2012 when they moved here from Waco, Texas. They have been married 18 years and have two young sons, Jordan (14) and Aidan (12). He is a factory manager with Caterpillar, Inc. and his 20+ year career there has moved his family around a bit (to Kansas, Texas, and Mississippi) prior to calling Decatur home for the past five years. He has a great passion for reaching the underserved and unchurched in our community and around the world. Adam has been involved with our Guatemala Mission Team the past few years, he has served as a Greeter and a class instructor, completed a vacancy term as an Elder At Large, served a one year term as Chairman-Elect, and he is currently serving his one year term as Chairman of the SPL Board of Elders.

DALE TOLLY

Dale and Karen Tolly became members at SPL in 2013, transferring from Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. They currently reside in Oreana. Dale's son John is deceased, but he also has five step-children and two precious granddaughters. Dale is retired from Caterpillar, Inc. where he was employed as an Employee & Industrial Equipment Safety Manager. Dale has not served in this type of leadership role before here, but he has given his time to the Landscape & Mowing crew as well as the Safety Committee here at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.



CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF ELDERS (1 Year Term)



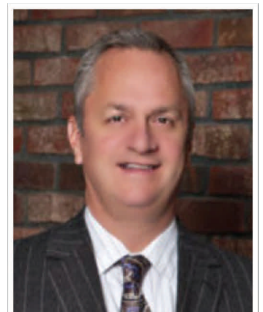
CRAIG WILLIS

As a 25 year employee of ADM, Craig Willis along with his wife Jill, and sons Reid (19) and Jay (16), have had to be nomads of sorts over the years. They have been married 22 years and have lived in at least 9 different homes in four states (TX, AR, MN, and IL) with their most recent and third trip back to the ADM headquarters in Decatur being their longest at 9 years. Craig currently works to manage ADM's ethanol business. The Willis family has maintained their membership at SPL in each of the periods they have been here, most recently since 2008. Both of their sons have been baptized and confirmed at SPL. Craig has served at SPL as an Usher and one year as Elder at Large, prior to serving his current one year term as Chairman-Elect on the Board of Elders.

CHAIRMAN ELECT, BOARD OF ELDERS (1 Year Term)

DARREN REYNOLDS

Darren and Tiffany Reynolds are long time members of SPL, parents of three children, Samuel (almost 21), Sydney (18), and Seth (17). They reside in Decatur and their children have attended LSA. Darren is the current CEO and President of Consociate in Decatur, having worked there well over 20 years. Darren has served in the community as the Greater Decatur Chamber of Commerce Board Chairman, and he has also served on the Board of the Lutheran School Association. Additionally, Darren has been deeply invested in the ministry of SPL, also serving as an Usher and on Call Committee, and in a variety of other ways. Through his leadership experiences, Darren is well prepared to take on new ways of serving at SPL.





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BOARD OF ELDERS CONTINUED SERVICE THRU 2018

ELDER AT LARGE (1 Year of Service Remaining in Current Two Year Term)



LARRY OESTREICH

While he had attended St. Paul's for some years in the past, Larry and Debra Oestreich have been regularly attending members since April of 2010. Larry is a retired school social worker. He has been involved in the Lutheran church, Lutheran school, and other Christian organizations most of his life. Last year he was feeling compelled to pray about finding new ways to serve in the church and within two weeks was approached to consider the nomination for Elder At Large. He knows that with the strength of the Lord and His leadership, he can continue to serve well in this role.

MICHAEL PEER

Michael Peer joined St. Paul's in 2012. He has one daughter, Danielle (18), who has served along side of him both at SPL and in Guatemala. He has worked as the Safety Manager at the ADM Vitamin E plant in Decatur for the past six years, but has been with ADM for 20 years. Michael has served on the SPL Guatemala Mission Team several times and has also stepped into leadership roles within MAN UP Men's Ministry at SPL while continuing to serve on the Board of Elders.



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