



Board of Directors Biographies



Mr James Bligh

Chair

PROFESSIONAL:

- Program Architect, NAB
- Development Manager, Computershare
- Portfolio Manager, CSC
- Project Manager, Various Roles
- Co-founder, RedCrew

COMMUNITY:

- Current member of Eltham Presbyterian Church

PERSONAL:

- Married to Fiona with four children at St Andrews – Laura (Alumni 2015), Hannah (Alumni 2017), Holly (Alumni 2020) and Christian (Alumni 2024)
- Does not barrack for Collingwood

Presbytery nominated, current term concludes 2026



Mr Peter Lewis

Vice Chair

PROFESSIONAL:

- Senior Pastor, Breakthrough Christian Church
- Principal/Lecturer, JSMI Bible College Melbourne Campus
- National CAD Developer & Systems Manager, Lincolne Scott Consulting Engineers, 1988 – 1995
- Draftsman/CAD Programmer, Lincolne Scott Consulting Engineers, 1984 – 1988

PERSONAL:

- Married to Christine with four children – Caleb, Katelyn, Brooke, and Jordan

Board nominated, current term concludes 2027



Mrs Sharon Rowland

Board & Correspondence Secretary

PROFESSIONAL:

- Accountant, Baptist Insurance Services Ltd
- Chief Examiner/Group Leader – CPA Australia & PearsonVue
- Various accounting roles with ExxonMobil Australia

COMMUNITY:

- Member of Syndal Baptist Church (SBC)
- Council member, Syndal Baptist Church (past)

PERSONAL:

- Married to Bill with 3 adult children, all are St Andrews Alumni
- Enjoys being in the garden, drinking coffee, walking with friends, and spending too much time in Op Shops

Board nominated, current term concludes 2026



Mr Thomas Chong

PROFESSIONAL:

- Operations Specialists – Central Healthcare Services (current)
- Partner – Terry White Chemists Dandenong (past)

COMMUNITY:

- Member of Clayton Church of Christ Fellowship
- Co-leader of Marketplace ministry

PERSONAL:

- Married to Yi Lyn with 2 children attending St Andrews Christian College.
- Enjoys spending time with family, playing badminton and photography.

Parent/Company nominated, current term concludes 2026



Mrs Susan Dunn

PROFESSIONAL:

- RTO Compliance Officer at Mountain District Learning Centre (MDLC), Ferntree Gully

COMMUNITY:

- Secretary, Mt Evelyn Presbyterian Church – Board of Management

PERSONAL:

- Married with 2 adult children
- Relaxes by walking, swimming, knitting, embroidery

Presbytery nominated, current term concludes 2027



Rev. Brian Harvey

PROFESSIONAL:

- Minister of Heathmont Presbyterian Church (2020-current)
- Youth Ministries Directory of PCV (2012 – 2019)

PERSONAL:

- Married to Anne. Two sons, one daughter-in-law, one dog, one cat.
- Rides a Honda. You meet the nicest people on a Honda.

Presbytery nominated, term concludes 2025



Mrs Justyna McKenna

PROFESSIONAL:

- Stay-at-home mum (current)
- Personal Trainer (past)
- Receptionist in Real Estate (past)

COMMUNITY:

- Attending Bright Church
- Committee Member, Windermere Kindergarten
- KidzBizz Playgroup Assistant Leader, CityLife Church
- Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games

PERSONAL:

- Married to Allan with two young children, a pug named Henry, 4-legged cat named Chloe and 3-legged cat named Zoe.
- Enjoys spending time with family, scrapbooking, gardening, and playing the piano.

Parent/company nominated, current term concludes 2025



Mrs Stephanie Thor

PROFESSIONAL:

- Pastor - Community Services, Stairway Church (current)
- Kidz Bizz Playgroup Co-ordinator, CityLife Church (past)
- Commercial Lawyer, Clearpoint Legal (past)
- Lawyer (Property & Franchising), Mason Sier Turnbull (past)
- Lawyer, Cliffords Lawyers & Mitgration Agents (past)

COMMUNITY:

- Member of Stairway Church
- Foreverland Team Leader (kids ministry at Stairway Church)

PERSONAL:

- Married to Kenneth with 3 children attending St Andrews Christian College
- Enjoys adventures with family, entertaining at home, interior design, growing her own produce

Parent/company nominated, current term concludes 2025



Mr Paul Veith

PROFESSIONAL:

- Research Fellow, University of Melbourne (2003-2024)
- Now studying to be a secondary school teacher

COMMUNITY:

- Elder & Session Clerk, Croydon Presbyterian Church
- Kids Hope mentor

PERSONAL:

- Married to Susan, 5 adult children, 9 grandchildren
- Loves camping and birdwatching

(Presbytery nominated, current term concludes 2027)



Mr Walter Gear

PROFESSIONAL:

- Media Engineering Manager – Telstra (current)
- Web Developer – World Vision (past)

COMMUNITY:

- Member of St John's Anglican Church in Blackburn
- Music ministry & sundry committees

PERSONAL:

- Married to Stephanie (who he first met at St Andrews!), with three lovely daughters attending St Andrews
- Enjoys music, playing bass & guitar & piano, watching sci-fi, and digging deep into God's Word with similarly-motivated folk

Parent/company nominated, Current term concludes 2027