

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SAN ANTONIO COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2024-2025

ADULT EDUCATION CHAIR



CHARLOTTE MILNER

Charlotte (Bell) Milner has been a member since 1994 and has served as Elder, Deacon, Moderator of Deacons, Church Treasurer, Officer Nominating Committee Chair, Stewardship & Finance Chair. She currently serves as FPC Trustee, Adult Education Committee, Greeting, Worship, Scholarship, Mission Road Ministries, Finance Committee and faithfully

attends the Explorers Sunday School and Precepts Bible Study. She has previously served on the Children's Committee, Mission Trips to Malawi and Poland, Loaves & Fishes, Circle 14 Chair, Circle 20, VBS, Children's SS teacher, Youth Ministries, and various others. She is a Group, Life, and Estate Planning Insurance Broker. Her daughter, Martha, lives in Austin. Charlotte grew up in Dothan, Alabama, and is a proud Alabama graduate. She is honored to be nominated to serve as an Elder.

BENEVOLENCE OVERSIGHT CHAIR

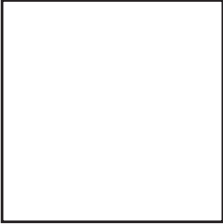


BEN MCCALED

Ben is blessed to be called to serve Christ by serving His church in this capacity. He originally joined First Pres with his wife, Teresa, in 1983. They baptized and raised four children in the church. He and Teresa taught Jr. High and High School Sunday School for a number of years. In 1988, Ben went to Kenya on a 1st Pres mission trip, igniting a life-long heart for missions. Ben served on

Local Missions, Benevolence Oversight and Personnel and Property Committees and Chaired the Youth Committee. He also served as Moderator of the Board of Deacons and as an Elder. Ben and his family left First Pres for several years to participate in a small, local church plant that became Redeemer Presbyterian. They rejoined First Pres in 2008 and found great joy working with young adults and also assisted with the formation of Life Groups. Ben again served as an Elder, chairing the 1604 Property and Rolls Task Forces. He has chaired the Global Missions Committee and participated in mission trips to the Dominican Republic, Malawi (led with Teresa) and twice to Iraq. Ben's last service as Elder was during our denominational transition, when he served on the Church Relations Committee and chaired the Benevolence Oversight Committee. Currently, Ben serves on the Global Missions and Church Plant Committees. In 2019 Ben and Teresa traveled to London and Turkey to visit and learn more about PARS Theological Institute, which trains leaders for the underground church in Iran. That relationship has grown and Ben now serves on the PARS Board of Directors. Ben is a transactional attorney who has practiced in San Antonio for the past 40 years.

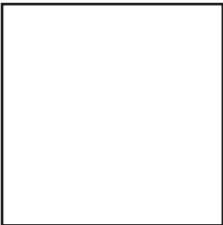
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CHAIR



SUSAN DEKOCH

Susan joined FPC in 1981, shortly before she and Dirk were married. They have three children, as well as a daughter-in-law and son-in-law, and are blessed with four grandchildren. Susan and Dirk enjoy traveling, spending time at the ranch, and enjoying their grandchildren. Susan is currently the coordinator for the Women of the Church Circle 8 for mothers of young children. Among Susan's greatest joys is the relationship she enjoys with so many dear friends at FPC while sharing the glory and truth of Jesus with those she encounters.

CHILDREN'S CENTER BOARD CHAIR



BOB ESQUENAZI

CHURCH PLANTING CHAIR



JOHN BROOKS

John and his family began attending FPC in 2018, when they moved to San Antonio from Memphis, officially joining as a covenant partner in 2020. He and Jennie have been married for nearly 21 years and blessed with two wonderful and energetic boys, Whit (15) and Thomas (12). John and Jennie currently help lead the Ambassadors class for young families.

During his tenure at FPC, he has been involved in the men's ministry. He currently serves on the Church Plant Committee as well as on the board of Mission Road Ministries, Christian Assistance Ministries, and RISE. John is a Partner with CoLaTenTex, a Private Investment Firm, and has spent his career in various financial roles. He is honored to be considered for Elder.

CLERK OF SESSION



NANCY CROSS

Nancy is celebrating the 30th year of her ordination as an elder at FPC this summer. In those 30 years she's served in many areas, but has a particular calling and experience in teaching adults, strategic planning, and stewardship. Prior to our church's move to the ECO denomination, she was active in leading the denominational renewal efforts.

Nancy and her husband Ed have 2 grown sons. She enjoys pilates, reading, cooking, and spending time at their lake place.

CONNECTIONS CHAIR



LYNN THOMPSON

Lynn returned to First Presbyterian Church of San Antonio from Santa Monica, California in 1994 with her husband and their two sons Will and Jim Jr. Lynn and Jim were married by Dr. Louis Zbinden, and both boys baptized by him, so it felt good to be home. Lynn has reaped the many blessings of our loving church family through teaching Sunday School,

coordinating Vacation Bible School, serving on committees such as personnel, property, children's, staff search, and officer nominating. Other areas of involvement include Women of the Church (President), Deacon (Moderator), and active member of Circles 1/12, Shawl Ministry, Care & Concern, and Circle 20 (Service), as well as Sunday School classes and Pastors Bible Study/Thursday small group, and Mexico mission trips. Lynn also serves on the board and executive board of the Texas Presbyterian Foundation. Lynn is honored to be called and humbled to serve as an elder for our beloved Covenant Partners of First Presbyterian Church, San Antonio. Lynn loves being retired from computer consulting yet still being a wife, mother, mother-in-law, and grandmother to three.

GLOBAL MISSIONS CHAIR



DON RYAN

Don and his wife Marianne joined First Pres. in 2017 after relocating from Fair Oaks Ranch to downtown San Antonio in December of 2016. June 2023 will mark their 35th wedding anniversary. They have one son Jacob who resides with his wife Megan in Deland, FL. Don has served in leadership roles with several other churches they have attended in Boerne and San Antonio. Don

is a Regional President at US Physical Therapy. He serves as a greeter for the Modern service, as Co Chairman for Global Missions and sings in the Worship Band from time to time on Sunday mornings.

LOCAL MISSIONS CHAIR



MIKE MUNROE

Mike first joined the FPC community in high school, and he and Mary Claire met and married here. Career moves took them away from San Antonio for ten years, and during that time, daughters Sarah and Amy were born. In 2007, Mike and Mary Claire rejoined First Pres, and Mike went on to serve as an elder and as chair of global and local missions. Mike has a heart for missions, having served in New Jersey's Hurricane Sandy cleanup and helping build with our Yucatan mission partner. He has also traveled to India and Malawi to see how God is at work through other mission partners. Mike now looks forward to serving FPC in a new way, hoping to reflect the love and grace of Jesus in ways that FPC members have done for him and the Munroe family throughout all the stages of life.

MARRIAGE MINISTRY CO-CHAIRS



BOBBY MICKLER

Bobby Mickler grew up at FPC and accepted Christ as a teen. His faith grew after a tragic loss, and in 1994 he met his wife Downie Armstrong. Together they have 5 grown kids - Redding (24), Emma (23), Nancy (21), Annette (19), Robert (17), and a new son-in-law named Nolen Durham (23). The church sent Bobby and his family overseas as full-time missionaries in the Dominican Republic with Food for the Hungry from 2000-2004, and then in Uganda from 2006-2011 establishing ministries and businesses. Bobby is a landscape architect by trade and now owns Site Works Texas here in SA. He serves on the Men's Ministry, the Property Committee, and the Marriage Ministry Committee.



DOWNIE MICKLER

Downie Mickler became a Christian when she was a child, a follower of Jesus, and active member of FPC in her teens, and a lover of our Lord when in college. She married Bobby Mickler and raised 5 kids on the mission field and here in San Antonio. She has served on the Prayer Ministry committee, is a Bible study leader, loves worshiping, and serves on the Global Missions Committee and the Marriage Ministry with her husband.

OFFICER NOMINATING CHAIR



BILL OLIVER:

Bill and Lorie, his wife of 40 years, joined FPC in 1986 when they moved back to San Antonio. Their prior church home was Highland Park Presbyterian Church in Dallas. They feel so blessed that their three children, Elizabeth, Ashley and Will, were all baptized, confirmed and married at FPC and are now Covenant Partners. Their four grandchildren have also been baptized here. Bill

has served on the Personnel Committee, is a regular at the Thursday Morning Men's Prayer Breakfast and Bible Study, and helps lead the Men's Ministry. If you ask him (and maybe even if you don't), he will tell you all you need to know about starting a small group with other men to grow in faith and fellowship together, which is a current passion of Bill's. He is excited about his new opportunity to serve the church that has meant so much to his family over the years. A third generation San Antonio lawyer, Bill has a business law firm here.

OLDER ADULT MINISTRY CHAIR



JIM CLOUSE

My wife, Grace, and I joined FPC in 2016, after moving here from the midwest. We have been married for 56 years; and we have two children. Mark lives in Philadelphia, and Eleanor, also a member of FPC, resides in San Antonio. I retired after 36 years in the pharmaceutical industry. During our time at FPC, we have been very active in KEYS, and served as greeters

on Sunday morning. Also I am a member of the Thursday morning Men's Prayer group. I am looking forward to serving in God's work as an Elder of FPC.

PERSONNEL CHAIR



DAVID WEST

David joined FPC in 1984 where he and Carol met and were married. They have three grown children, all of whom were baptized and grew up in this church. David is a lawyer and has served several terms on the Session. He currently serves as a Trustee on the FPC Board of Trustees; Chairman of the Louis H. Zbinden, Jr. Legacy Speaker Series; and as a member of the

Personnel Committee and the Restructure Task Force. David currently attends the Thursday morning Men's Bible Study.

PRAYER MINISTRY CHAIR



KIM SMITH

My husband, Larry, and I joined FPC in 1988. Our now grown sons, Tim, Zander and David were all baptized and confirmed and grew up and learned and played in the halls of FPC. In my early years, I practiced real estate law, then enjoyed being a mom and community volunteer, and am currently a realtor with KuperSIR. I have been blessed to serve FPC in a variety of roles

including Deacon, WOC member and officer, global and local missions committee member, VBS teacher and co-chair, youth ministry committee member, Sunday School and Confirmation teacher and Advent Festival Chair. I enjoy the fellowship of being a PBS student, Connections Sunday School member and Circle 1/12 member. Our family was blessed to have been a part of the 2013-14 Israel trip. I have been grateful for each opportunity to serve with and within the FPC community and have been blessed, enriched and refined by each experience. I am looking forward to serving in this new role and seeing how God will continue His work in and through our church.

PROPERTY CHAIR



ALLEN CASEY

Allen Casey was born a Presbyterian in Springfield, MO, where he lived with his wife of 53 years, Mary Lou. They moved to San Antonio six years ago to be near their three grandchildren. Allen followed in his dad's footsteps to become an architect and managed his own firm for nearly 40 years. He mostly focused his efforts on master planning and historic renovations

with tax credit projects, including the redevelopment of three buildings they owned. He was involved in leadership positions with the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, a Professional Baseball Assoc., Mercy Medical Foundation, Missouri Historic Advisory Council, the children's museum, and downtown improvement associations. He was also an elder and trustee 39 years ago. Allen and Mary Lou have two sons, Clayton in Springfield and Curtis, a VP at Port San Antonio. They love their lives in San Antonio, volunteering at CAM, and their great new family at First Pres.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE CHAIR



BILL SIRAKOS

Bill and his wife Debra along with daughter Maggie and son Luke moved to San Antonio in 1996 from Mint Hill, North Carolina and soon thereafter joined FPC. In Mint Hill, Bill served as Chairman of the Board of Deacons at the Presbyterian church where the Sirakos family were longtime Covenant Partners. At FPC Bill has been a member of the Personnel Committee, worked on Habitat

for Humanity houses, served as an occasional Sunday School teacher and has served as a volunteer in the Loaves and Fishes program. Bill retired from Frost Bank in 2019 where he served as the Head of the Capital Markets Division and as the Chief Economist and now spends his time ranching, playing baseball and having pure fun with his four wonderful grandchildren, whom God has blessedly brought home to San Antonio along with their parents. Bill believes that the best way to serve the Lord is to be armed with knowledge of the Bible and has committed to daily Bible reading and a Bible Study group at Frost Bank which they still allow him to attend despite having retired.

STUDENT MINISTRIES CHAIR



MICHAEL MEADOWS

Since moving to San Antonio in 1995, Michael has been an active member of FPC. Baptized as an adult in 1997 at FPC, he later married Ellen (Warrick) at the church, and they have three children together. With 23 years of experience, Michael has served in youth ministry as a Sunday school teacher and confirmation leader. He has contributed to various committees

at FPC and currently leads the Uganda Champions team with Ellen. In his professional life, Michael is a Senior Vice President at Coley GTS, overseeing staff and business development in training and IT services. He values his involvement in a Father-Son devotional group and a lunchtime Bible study. Passionate about youth ministry and global missions, Michael is grateful for the supportive FPC community and feels honored to serve as an elder.

STRUCTURE TASK FORCE CHAIR



NANCY SCHEIFELE

Nancy Scheifele first joined First Presbyterian Church with her mother and father, Stanley and Mildred Morton, in 1980, during her last year of high school. In her late twenties, she moved to Germany. Even while living in Germany, FPC was an important part of her life. Nancy and her husband, Bernhard, were married and both of their children were baptized at FPC during that

time. After returning to San Antonio in 2009, Bernhard and Nancy re-joined FPC. Seeing their children, Benedikt (26) and Natalie (22), mature in their faith among a community of loving believers has been a true joy for them. Nancy is currently serving on the Restructure Task Force, as an officer for Women of the Church and as a High School Girls Mid-Week Bible Study leader. She has previously served as Clerk of Session and on the Youth Committee. She is excited to be actively engaged in the life of the church, as we continue to glorify God, love others and, in all things, point to Jesus Christ as our hope. Outside of church, Nancy assists her family with their business and legal matters.

WORSHIP CHAIR



ED MOORE

Ed is a long time Presbyterian and returning Elder, and he joined FPC in the mid 1980s. His wonderful wife, Trudy, is a lifelong member of FPC, and they met and were married at FPC. He has served as both a deacon and as an Elder with numerous rotations, and has served as a member or chair of many church committees. Ed and Trudy have also chaired the stewardship campaign.

Teaching Sunday School and youth group in the high school ministry was a joy for many years, and since then he has attended, and occasionally taught, various adult Sunday school classes. He enjoys playing music for worship and retreats, ministry to young people through FPC and Young Life, and outreach and service to our community. He looks forward to actively serving again and is grateful for the opportunity. He is excited to see where God is moving and challenging our church family to love Christ, one another, and the city/world in these upcoming years.

YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITIES CHAIR



MORRIS CAMP

I am Morris Camp. Muffin, my best friend and wife of 30 years, and I joined FPC during the pandemic. We were married at FPC back in 1992. We have two wonderful adult children and a daughter-in-law who all love Jesus. I retired from banking in 2021 and enjoy serving, coaching, playing, and traveling. I grew up in the church, but didn't fully comprehend Jesus' love

for me until I was 38. We have enjoyed the wild ride ever since. We began serving at FPC by leading the Financial Health Ministry that came out of the Redeeming the Crisis task force. Through this we launched a city-wide campaign called MarginSA to bring financial margin to area families through Biblically-based financial education. We have had more than 40 churches and one synagogue join us in offering Financial Peace University (FPU) classes. In addition to FPU, Muffin and I are honored to lead the Young Adult Committee. We also serve on the Marriage Ministry Committee as marriage mentors and I serve on the Stewardship and Finance Committee. We also serve Bible Study Fellowship by leading and hosting biblical tours of the holy lands. We love our city and our church home and I am excited to see what God has in store for us next.