

# Report of the Nominating Committee

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## *For the Annual Congregational Meeting November 24, 2025*

The nominating committee, consisting of Victoria Molnar, Suresh Das, Andrew Trevoy, Jonathan Stephenson and Jeremy Cook recommend the following members to serve on the Board of Elders with such terms expiring as follows:

1. **Zach Peters** – if elected, will be a 3-year term expiring at the Annual Meeting in 2028 (see attached bio)
2. **Ron Bachmann** - if elected, will be a 3-year term expiring at the Annual Meeting in 2028 (see attached bio)
3. **Grace Albers** - if elected, will be a 3-year term expiring at the Annual Meeting in 2028 (see attached bio)

The Nominating Committee also recommends the following two lay person representatives for the 2025 Nominating Committee:

1. **Melanie Russell** - Melanie has attended and been a member of Sherwood Park Alliance Church since 2001. She has four children: Jayden (married to Juliette), Makenna, Ashlynn and Carter. Melanie has served in various ministries over the past 24 years including Women's ministries, Children's ministries and she was on the search committee for our new pastor in 2024. She is a Registered Nurse at the Grey Nuns Hospital in Women's Health where she has worked for 23 years.
2. **Sheree Rankin** – Sheree and her husband, Shawn, have been attending Sherwood Park Alliance Church for over 25 years. They have 3 adult children that they love to spend time with. Sheree has volunteered in a variety of roles at SPAC over the years. Currently she is involved with We Care and Prayer team ministries, as well as helping to organize the Clothing Exchanges. She also volunteers at the Sherwood Park Food Bank. She spent most of her career working as a teacher and psychologist with Elk Island Public Schools. Her desire is to help families that are struggling to meet basic practical needs, and to encourage and support others as they seek out opportunities to engage in acts of service.

Both the recommended Elders and lay representatives will be voted into position at the Annual General Meeting and must receive a majority consensus as outlined in the bylaws of the Sherwood Park Alliance Church.

A list of the current Sherwood Park Alliance Membership is posted on the bulletin boards by the church nursery.

Respectfully submitted,  
*2025 Nominating Committee*

*Additional information:*

The present Board of Elders consists of:

- Annemarie Elzinga, Andy Trevoy, Kyla Loewen, Jonathan Stephenson – Until AGM 2026
- Duane Seelochan, Jonathan Carlzon – Until AGM 2027

# Nominees for the Board of Elders

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## Zach Peters *(for term 2026 – 2028)*

Zach has been attending Sherwood Park Alliance Church his entire life, is a K-12 lifer of SCA, and even worked as a staff janitor for nine years. He met his wife, Loree, at a SPAC young adults night and together they have three sons: Evan, Isaiah, and Jayden. Zach works as a physiotherapist in Sherwood Park where he loves helping and connecting with people in the community.

Zach is passionate about seeing the bride of Christ—the Church—growing in her depth of relationship with the Triune God. Zach wants all people to see themselves as cherished by God, and to step into a life of flourishing as God designed through the atoning work of Jesus and the sanctification of the Holy Spirit. As an avid student of church history and theology, Zach is eager to use his knowledge, heart, and experiences to serve his local church in this role.



## Ron Bachmann *(for term 2026 - 2028)*

Ron first began attending SPAC in 1998 when he and his wife Lois were married. Two years later SPAC was part of sending Ron and Lois to Central Asia, where they lived for the majority of the next 7 years. Upon returning to Canada, Ron and Lois began serving newcomers to Canada. In 2017 Ron became the Executive Director of a Canadian charity. He has also served on the board of another Canadian Christian charity.

Ron and Lois have two sons who love the Lord and are in university, commuting to campus from home each day. When able, Ron loves to disappear into a good

book and get lost in a novel. But more often than not, he opts for interesting articles that stretch his thinking. He is excited to see how God is at work both in and through SPAC and looks forward to playing an active part in seeing that continue.



## Grace Albers (for term 2026 - 2028)

Grace and her husband, Sean, began attending Sherwood Park Alliance Church in 2013. Together they share a love for God and their two adult daughters. They have been actively involved in both the church and SCA throughout the years. In 2020 Grace joined the Elder Board and has served in a variety of different roles. Grace has a heart for prayer and loves coming alongside people in their joys and struggles. She enjoys seeing people learn and grow as they become more like Jesus. If you want to start a conversation with Grace, try bringing up gardening, books or tennis and she will talk on for days!