

Wellspring Parish Council 2020-21

Nominations



Matt Bowditch

I have been a member of Wellspring in its various forms for over twenty years. My wife Katherine and I currently attend 10am with our two young children, Adelaide and Theo. Prior to kids, we were members of Resonate. I have led small groups, youth groups and regularly play bass guitar in the music team.

Professionally, I am an experienced public policy advisor for both the Tasmanian and Australian governments. I currently work at the Department of Premier and Cabinet, where I advise the Government on a range of major social and economic issues. I have experience across a diverse range of areas, including: policy development, budgeting, economics, governance, stakeholder management, team leadership, and strategy development.

I care deeply for the people of Wellspring. This church is where I grew up, met my wife, and am raising my children. It's where I first understood the gospel and its radical call on my life. I am passionate about Wellspring continuing to be a church where new believers are won to Christ and all believers are grown to maturity. I hope that by applying my professional skills to Parish Council I can contribute to this mission.



Bill Folkerts

I've lived in Hobart most of my life and been a Christian since I was a child. I am married to Anna and we have four married daughters and 16 grandchildren. I have a background in social work and pastoring, but am now retired and active in Prison Fellowship.

We have been attending Wellspring for about 12 years, and I have been involved in pastoral care and welcoming.

My heart is to see Wellspring become a truly caring community that welcomes the newcomer and stranger; supporting one another but also reaching out to those outside the church with Christ's love. I have served on Parish Council for the past year, and long to see God bless the church as we press in to Him with faith and prayer.



Gemma Kleywegt

I have been a member of Wellspring for 8 years and currently attend the 10am service with my husband Pete and kids Phoebe and Willem.

I am a Chartered Accountant and have worked with KPMG for 6 years as an auditor. In addition I sit on the Diocese finance committee.

I would love to continue to use my experience and skills to contribute to God's work here at Wellspring.



John Schuringa

My name is John Schuringa. I'm married to Claire and am rediscovering the fun of childhood story books like Hairy Maclary with our son Hilbrand. I am a teacher and the Learning Area Manager of Mathematics at Elizabeth College. I have been a member of Wellspring for 6 years and attend the 10am service. I love working with others to learn and make the world a better place. I am skilled at listening and thinking critically about issues.

I want to see our Wellspring community continue to grow in our understanding and love for God, each other and Hobart.



David Tilley

For the past 2 years I have attended the 8am, and 10am services at Wellspring, (currently 8am due to COVID restrictions). I was married for 38 years until my wife sadly passed away after a long illness in 2018, I have two sons, and two grandchildren. My working role is a company accountant having Bachelor of Business in Accounting, and CPA qualifications. I am also a company director/secretary. My passion is for the Trinity; abiding with the father, through the mercy and grace offered by the sacrifice of Jesus his son, who gave us the holy spirit to direct us into all his ways. My vision for Wellspring and all God's children is that each one of us continue to grow in the truth of the gospel, that our lives are transformed into his likeness, that our hope, our trust our love is in him alone; that we, in prayer, unity and love, support and encourage each other.



Darren Vos

My wife Saskia and I have five children. We have enjoyed being part of Wellspring 10am service for the past 8 years.

I have been a Director of Vos Construction and Joinery for 13 years and keen to use my experience to serve Wellspring on Parish Council. I am looking forward to a new season of growth at Wellspring.