

# AGM INFORMATION

## Board Roles & Responsibilities

The Board of Elders and Nominating Committee are elected by the membership of Tenth Church. Voting will take place only at the AGM on November 24, 2019.

A general forum regarding the overall operation and vision of Tenth will be held from 1:00-2:30pm in the Lower East Hall at the Mount Pleasant location.

The overall mandate for the Board of Elders is to govern on behalf of the people of Tenth Church. Specifically, it is the responsibility of each board member to uphold and support the teaching of the Word of God and to model Christ-like behaviour. The Board also oversees the material needs of the church by creating a framework that assures adequate resources (personnel, facilities, financial) and safe-guarding of assets and financial resources. It is the Board's responsibility to select the Senior Pastor in cooperation with the C & MA District Office and to support the Senior Pastor after they are hired. Also, the Board advises the Nominating Committee in the recruitment of Board members.

## Continuing Board Members



### **Elsie Chin**

Born in Hong Kong, Elsie grew up in England and moved to Vancouver in 1992 with her family. Growing up in a non-Christian home, Elsie came to know Christ while attending a Christian school. In 2001, she was baptized with the blessing of her parents and shared with her family and friends the faithfulness of God over her past 19 years as a Christian. Since 2003, she and her husband, Gavin, have been attending Tenth Church, and are thankful to God for calling them to be part of the Kitsilano start-up team in 2009. Fellowshiping and growing with this diverse and vibrant community is very special to Elsie, Gavin, and their daughter, Karis. Besides serving children and small

groups at church, Elsie was involved with Bible Study Fellowship and its leadership for 12 years. This experience made a profound impact on her life as she witnessed the power of the Word of God on women, children, and young adults. Elsie has spent most of her career in Information Technology, specializing in Information Technology leadership as well as transformation programs. When Elsie has free time, she enjoys good food, travelling and music.



### **Stephanie Choi**

Stephanie was born in Korea and grew up in a Christian home where she learned from her grandparents and her mom what it means to have a personal relationship with God. Shortly after moving to Canada in 1997, Stephanie began attending Coquitlam Alliance Church where she discovered her passion for musical worship. Stephanie came to Tenth in 2008 while searching for a church with a strong sense of community and has been attending the 11:15 Mount Pleasant service since then. She loves singing and playing the piano. She finds it life-giving to serve as part of the worship ministry at Tenth and appreciates the community she has connected to through this ministry. She has also been involved in small groups, a Cambodia Justice Journey team, and spiritual formation programs. Stephanie is an accountant who has experience in public practice

and the financial services industry.



## **Brent Hoshizaki**

Brent and Janice along with their daughters Jocelyn and Cara have been attending Tenth's East Van site since its inception and Mount Pleasant since 2008. Brent has served in various ministries at Tenth including the Audit and Finance Committee, Foundations of Leadership, assisting Janice in a Burnaby life group, and currently with the East Van Children's Ministry. Brent and his family continue to see, participate and grow "With God For Others" as the Spirit leads them to reach out into their South Burnaby community, school, and marketplace, integrating everyday life with Jesus' faith, hope, and love. Brent is a partner with BDO Canada and leads their British Columbia US Corporate Tax practice.



## **Kirsten Ickert**

Having grown up in a Christian home, attending church and being a part of its community has been a meaningful rhythm throughout my life. For the past six years, I have been attending the Evening service at Tenth Church after having previously attended two churches in Surrey during my childhood and young adult years. I have had the privilege of becoming involved in the Tenth community in meaningful and life-giving ways. It has been such a joy to co-lead the Connect Team at the Evening service for the past three years, along with co-leading a Life Group during this time. I have also had the privilege of being involved with the Soul Trios ministry at Tenth and deeply value Tenth's commitment to spiritual transformation and seeking justice for our world. I am very passionate about

education and have spent the past ten years as an elementary school teacher in the Surrey School District, teaching grades 4-7. It is such a gift to experience and facilitate students' growth socially, emotionally, and academically during the course of each year. In my free time, I love to explore, travel, experience nature, and enjoy a good cup of coffee around town!



## **Patrick Lo**

My wife Ju and I, together with our two sons, Jeremy and Zachary, started attending Tenth Church Kitsilano in the first few months of its plant back in 2010. Growing up in a Christian household, my family attended Vancouver Chinese Baptist Church. My faith in Christ grew as I actively served in the youth ministry and the worship ministry. You will still find me at the piano many Sundays as I continue to serve with the worship ministry at Kitsilano. My career in the shipping industry takes me to many different corners of the world and my passion for helping the needy has led me to be an active member of GAIN – a Christian organization working to bring drinking water to developing countries.



## **Ken Shigematsu**

Senior Pastor at Tenth Church

## Current Elders up for Re-election



### **Howard J Louie**

My wife Teresa and I, together with our two daughters, Jenna and Kayla, have the ongoing privilege of attending the Tenth Church Mount Pleasant 9:15am service on Sundays. I grew up in a Christian home (Brethren) where both my father and mother were quite active in the Church. My faith background can be summarized by the following: although my family stopped going to church while I was at a relatively young age, I found my way back through a highly circuitous route. I committed myself to Christ in my late twenties. I currently serve on the connections team; having served in a variety of ministries in the past including participating in many of the spiritual formation programs provided by Tenth (which I highly recommend). Teresa continues to be involved in the Children's Ministry programs.

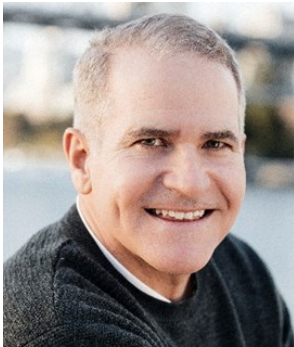
For my work, I currently am active in software technology development, and sit on the board of a few private and public companies as an advisor for business development.



### **John McNamee**

John started attending Tenth Church in 2003 with his wife and sons after previously attending Granville Chapel. He is a lawyer currently practicing in the public sector and has practiced in both the private and public sectors over the last 25 years. Over the years, he has served on a number of non-profit boards, including the Board of Managers of Coquitlam Presbyterian Church when he lived in Coquitlam. During his time at Tenth he has helped out with arts activities in the children's ministry, with the computer portion of the worship ministry, participated in the bylaw committee, and is currently assisting with proofreading the Tenth website. He lives in Vancouver with his wife (Mi-Jung) and teenage sons (Jonah and Silas).

## **Standing for First Time Election**



**Paul Bryant**

I have had the privilege of attending the Kitsilano morning service with my wife Megan and our two children, Addison and Gray since 2014. Watching my kids grow up in a supportive and loving faith community has been an answer to prayer and a great joy. It's been an honour to help with logistics participating with the set-up/tear-down crews. I cherish the diversity of the Tenth congregation and its vision to support the City of Vancouver with multiple sites and meeting times. I appreciate the humility and dedication of the pastoral staff and intend to continue to support them carrying forward the message of God's love. I am particularly excited about the recent move of the Kits community and the opportunity it affords us to learn

that church is *not* a building. Besides being a Dad, I have my advisory business to juggle and then there is surfing, skiing, great books, and coffee.



**Winnie Su**

I am thankful. I did not grow up in a Christian home but God revealed Himself to me in many ways, leading me to my baptism in 1995. He gave me opportunities at my previous church to develop my spiritual gifts as a small group/youth leader and a spiritual mentor to young adults. Since 2011, my family (husband, Kenny and children- Megan, Connor and Cameron) has made Tenth Church our spiritual home (9:15 am MP service). We love Tenth Church as it exemplifies the love of Christ - a faith community which is diverse, welcoming, missional, purpose-driven, and dedicated to the needs of the disadvantaged. Through serving in the Tenth Kids ministry since 2011, I have been blessed to witness our children's

spiritual growth. We have also been part of a small group since 2015. Since 2002, I have been a full-service family physician in Vancouver and involved in the teaching of students and young physicians. In 2013 and 2016, I also had the privilege of serving on medical missions. Some of my passions are art, reading, nature, and enjoying time in the great outdoors.