Meet the New People Nominated for Governing Board

Marlon Balauag

- What worship service do you regularly attend?
  Roots (9am)

- What keeps you coming to Bothell UMC?
  *The church has been our second home since moving to Bothell. We have met very good friends through the church, and we are engaged in being a part of a congregation that seeks to represent Christ in the community.*

- Why do you feel called to serve on the Governing Board?
  *I have been part of the Board in the past and would like actively take part of the group that works on envisioning the future for the church as we look into other ways that we can be present in the community.*

- What is your favorite coffee-stand beverage?
  *White chocolate mocha*

Sylvia Cunningham

- What worship service do you regularly attend?
  8am (River) and 9am (Roots)

- What keeps you coming to Bothell UMC?
  *Simply stated, I keep coming for 3 reasons:*
    - Because of the connections I’ve made with people over the nearly 40 years I’ve been a member.
    - Because of the excellent and inclusive music program at Bothell UMC.
    - Because we are a church that embodies and lives out the values stipulated in our welcoming statement.

- Why do you feel called to serve on the Governing Board?
  *I believe I have the skills, experience and desire to help move Bothell UMC toward the goal of becoming Christ in the Community. I also believe the Governing Board has the responsibility to hear and value those who have built and served in this church community for many years.*

- What is your favorite coffee-stand beverage?
  *Normally it’s a tall brewed coffee with non-fat milk. During the holidays it’s a tall Eggnog Latte with nutmeg sprinkled on top.*
Patrick España

- What worship service do you regularly attend?
  My wife, Theresa, and I usually attend the 10:30am Wings Service.

- What keeps you coming to Bothell UMC?
  We have met some wonderful people and have developed deep friendships with some of the members of Bothell UMC. Our friends are our family. We come back to Bothell UMC to visit with our church family. Also, Bothell UMC has provided, and we have accepted, several opportunities for fellowship and personal growth through small groups. Many of my Bothell UMC friendships have formed as a result of small group participation.

- Why do you feel called to serve on the Governing Board?
  Bothell UMC is not just a place that operates on Sundays. Bothell UMC offers a place for citizens of Bothell and the surrounding area to gather, to eat, to be part of a greater community. I have witnessed the good that Bothell UMC has brought to people in need. I want to be a part of Bothell UMC’s continuing mission to provide human services to people in and around the area.

- What is your favorite coffee-stand beverage?
  Venti Green Tea Frappuccino with whipped cream. It’s like a frozen liquid dessert.

Alan Jacobsen

- What worship service do you regularly attend?
  9am Roots Service

- What keeps you coming to Bothell UMC?
  I have always been drawn to our purpose statement of Becoming Christ in the Community and all the ways this is and can be manifested at Bothell UMC. Beyond that I’ve always appreciated the emphasis on small groups at Bothell UMC; in fact, that was one of the reasons we chose to come to Bothell UMC when we first moved to Bothell in 2012.

- Why do you feel called to serve on the Governing Board?
  I’ve been engaged with serving both the church and the community (both local and global) for many years. One the things I’m drawn to about serving on the Bothell UMC Governing Board is the potential to help understand how God calls Bothell UMC to fulfill its purpose of Becoming Christ in the Community and our goal of Transformed people, Transformed relationships, and Transformed conditions. I think it’s also important to tie vision and strategy to specific tactics, plans and actions. I believe that my experiences can help the Governing Board do that. I’m also a strong believer in Servant-Leadership and so feel
called to put those principles into action in various servant-leadership positions such as on the Governing Board.

- What is your favorite coffee-stand beverage?
  Drip Dark Roast – why would I want to ruin a perfectly good cup of coffee with adding frothy, syrupy stuff?

Linda Penhallegon

- What worship service do you regularly attend?
  I most often attend the 9am Roots service with occasional attendance at the 10:30am Wings service to enjoy the wonderful Praise music.

- What keeps you coming to Bothell UMC?
  I (along with my husband, Marty) initially began attending BUMC through transfer from University United Methodist, largely because Methodism is my life’s faith tradition, as it was for my mother, and BUMC was simply the closest Methodist Church to our residence. It is our church’s acceptance and welcoming of all peoples into the fellowship of Christ, however, that leads me to remain at BUMC. I also am drawn to the service and mission that reach out to local and global communities and my faith is challenged and deepened through participation in small groups and classes. The church’s commitment to universal justice is also a major reason for my continued participation in the life of BUMC.

- Why do you feel called to serve on the Governing Board?
  I embrace the opportunities for service that I have thus far been afforded at BUMC and it is in this regard that I have felt called to serve on the Governing Board. I have an interest in most areas of church governing as defined by the Board and after prayerful consideration, I feel God’s nudging to service in this leadership capacity.

- What is your favorite coffee-stand beverage?
  I will rarely decline a 12 oz. hazelnut, caramel latte.
Becca Snyder

- What worship service do you regularly attend?
  9am or 10:30am

- What keeps you coming to Bothell UMC?
  I love the community at Bothell UMC, particularly the large number of families with small kids. We have been members at other UMC churches in the past; having emphasis placed on children’s ministry and the support of families is something we have not found elsewhere. My husband, my children and I all feel engaged and a part of the church, which keeps us coming back.

- Why do you feel called to serve on the Governing Board?
  I have been a member of the United Methodist Church since my confirmation as a child, but I have been disheartened by the recent UMC decisions regarding the inclusion of all people in the church. I briefly considered leaving the UMC as a result of these discussions. However, I believe that Bothell UMC goes above and beyond in fostering community and I want to be a part of the governing board in order to help to facilitate our growth.

- What is your favorite coffee-stand beverage?
  This is a tough choice. Summer favorite- cold brew, winter favorite- cardamom vanilla latte.

Gary Stueckle

- What worship service do you regularly attend?
  Wings

- What keeps you coming to Bothell UMC?
  We keep coming because we appreciate Bothell UMC’s inclusiveness and progress toward its goal of being Christ in the community. Also, we enjoy the preaching!

- Why do you feel called to serve on the Governing Board?
  I believe we are all called to serve in some capacity or other. If anything I have to offer can be used by our Governing Board, then I will be happy to help. Also, I wish to do all I can to further our vision of becoming Christ in the community.

- What is your favorite coffee-stand beverage?
  My favorite coffee stand beverage is chai tea latte.
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Ordained Ministry Candidates
Laura Holmes and Sharon Ryder

Certified Lay Servant
Jim Russell