

## **Board of Director Nominations**

### **Justin Miller**

My name is Justin Miller of Brentwood and I have been a member of the Rez family for more than three years now. I am a 35 year old Construction Manager for a family owned marina construction company. My wife of ten years is Alysia and we have two children, Keila (9) and Keiji (7). Most people can easily recall our family as we are widely known as the “tall guy” and the “short wife.”

I grew up in Livermore, playing sports and attending a Baptist church with my family. For my wife and I, our college and post-college years were spent looking for a church that both fit us and that we could contribute our gifts toward. It was a long journey and truthfully, very discouraging. It may be hard to conceive that visiting a variety of churches can knock your spirits and leave you feeling empty but that was the feeling received most Sundays.

Then came our first visit to Resurrection when our children were young. Everything Rez had to offer was great. However, my employment at the time left me working many Sundays and Alysia attending church on her own with the kiddos. She needed the help of her parents to manage the kids and thus attended their small church in Byron.

It’s funny how God has His plan and guides you to where you need to be. Years passed and finally I was able to switch careers and be available on Sundays for God and my family. Something was pulling at us to go back to Resurrection and we kept visiting each Sunday as guests. We wanted to become members and met with Pastor Dave to finally call Resurrection our home.

We love the sense of family and community that Rez provides. We enjoy every Sunday praising God and listening to Pastor Dave communicate God’s word to us. Family bible studies have become a major part of our lives and is something we all crave to keep us focused as a family with God at the center. It is in fact every aspect and avenue that Resurrection offers that draws us in as a family and brings us closer to God.

I look forward to serving the Lord further and having a hand in bringing all people closer and closer to Christ.

### **Matt Lorenz**

## **Pastoral Advisory Committee Nominations**

### **Anna Bickling**

I have been retired a little over a year. I had worked for Bank of America for 42 years. I have been married for 43 years to my husband, Mark. I come from a large family with six siblings. There is about 35 of us when we get together. My father is still alive at the wonderful age of 91. My mother used to be a member of Rez before she passed away.

I started as a teller when I was first hired at Bank of America. I worked my way up doing numerous jobs. My last 15 years were spent in the Anti-Money Laundering group as an Investigator monitoring wire transfers for High Risk Regions, domestic and International. This job was the most interesting and I really enjoyed it.

I got connected to Rez through my mother, Gloria Tamez. When we moved to Brentwood from the Bay Area she moved in with us and she was a member for many years.

I was raised as a Lutheran and attended Zion Lutheran School in Montclair. I enjoy the early traditional service, since this was how I was raised. Singing the older songs and having the traditional service fills my heart with a closeness to God.

### **Other nomination**

#### **Shawn Beddingfield**

I am a Father of 3 daughters, married to my wife Adriana for 17 years. I was raised Catholic but joined the Lutheran church 30 years ago after discovering my values were more in line with Lutheran Doctrine than Catholicism.

I did Real Estate off and on for 30 years with 8 years in pest control and 2 years at a hotel in Tahoe. I am currently a house Dad, support my wife in her Housekeeping business and am launching a new career as a Triathlon coach.

As a practicing Lutheran, one of the first things I did upon moving to Brentwood 14 years ago was search out a Lutheran Church. Fortunately Resurrection had just opened the doors to their new facility. I went, I stayed and I have been a part of Resurrection since then. I did take a year to go to a non-denominational Church locally and reconfirmed why I am a Lutheran and am thankful for Rez.

What I enjoy most about Rez is the comfort level and friendships that I have developed over the years.