Church Council - Officer Candidate Bios

Rick Berndt, his wife Kathy, and their son Nick have been members at St. Paul's since the late 2000s. Rick is a native of St. Louis, and works in the real estate industry. Rick has served on the Board of Elders, and has also assisted with the robotics team at St. Paul's school. Nick attended St. Paul's school from kindergarten through 8th grade, and graduated in 2020.

Matt Brickler, is a native of St. Louis who is active in the Lutheran community. He currently is finishing out his final year as the Chair of the Board of Directors for Lutheran Family and Children's Services of Missouri. In addition, he serves as a Trustee for The Lutheran Hour Ministries Foundation. Matt is a Director of Financial Planning and Analysis at Evernorth Health Services, formerly Express Scripts. He holds a bachelor's degree in Accounting and a master's degree in Business Administration. Matt is married to Lauren and their daughter Caroline is currently in Kindergarten at St. Paul's.

Jon Burford was born and raised in St. Louis. He is a graduate of St. Paul's Lutheran School and Lutheran South High School. He has a bachelor's degree and a law degree from St. Louis University. He is married to Sue, who teaches first grade at St. Paul's. The couple has two children: Tim and Abby. Tim is married to Natalie and they have a son, Ezekiel. Jon served as an Elder and currently serves as an Usher at St. Paul's.

Kris D. Bueltmann has lived in the St Louis area and been a St. Paul's member since 1998. Kris works at Emerson as an IT Project Manager & Team Lead. Kris also runs his own Photography business where he has photographed the LWML & LCMS conventions. Kris has six children between the ages of 26 to 39 and 12 grandchildren, ages 1 through 14. Kris has a bachelor's degree in business and marketing. Kris currently serves as an usher and photographs many of St Paul's events including photos for the church directory. Kris' dad is a retired LCMS pastor and past LCMS CID President. Kris' 3 brothers are LCMS pastors and his sister is a Deaconess currently serving as a missionary to refugees in Germany.