

# News from the Board of Elders

## **Churchwide Business Meeting:**

Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, immediately following services in the Sanctuary, members will be voting on the 2016-2017 budget, re-election of 3 trustees, and the candidate for Director of Worship & Arts. Absentee ballots, along with the proposed budget, will be available for members who cannot attend at the Information Kiosk between services through June 12<sup>th</sup>. Copies of the proposed budget have been emailed to GBC members.

Members of the Finance Committee and Elders will be available in Room 217, between services on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and June 5<sup>th</sup> for any questions. You can also email your questions to [Elders@GraceHudson.org](mailto:Elders@GraceHudson.org).

## **Director of Worship & Arts Nomination: Jake Downing**



Jacob Downing is a New England native. Born and raised in New Hampshire, Jake began in worship ministry at the age of 12. Since then, he has lead worship throughout the country and overseas. He has served as worship pastor of Grace Capital Church in Pembroke, NH, and as worship director at Trinity Lutheran Church in Delray Beach, FL. Jake has been serving as the interim worship director at Grace since February. He comes to Grace with his wife Jennifer and their three children, Kyndal, Allyson, and Joshua.

## **Clerk Nomination: Ruth Blandin**



Ruth lives in Berlin with her husband, Daren, and is the mother of three adult children. She has been attending Grace since 2000 and was hired as Finance Manager in May of 2008. Ruth has over 35 years of Accounting experience. She currently works here as the Finance/Office Manager. Ruth is responsible for maintaining all financial records of the church and working with ministry leaders regarding their budgets, coordinates all staff meetings, church-wide events, and administrative staff.

## **Treasurer Nomination: Rob Moreau**



Rob Moreau has over 25 years of Finance and Accounting experience. He is a certified public accountant and works in Finance at a Fortune 10 company in the local area. Rob is married to Joan Moreau and has 4 children (Elizabeth, Charley, Daniel and Stephen). He became a Christian in 1991 and started attending Grace with Joan in the mid-90's. He has served the Church in a variety of ways over the years; as Chair of the Finance Committee thirteen years ago, Youth Ministry as a middle school leader, and as a leader in Men's Ministry. He re-joined the Finance Committee a little over four years ago. When not working, Rob likes to spend time with his family, doing outdoor activities and exercising.

## **Moderator Nomination: Stevan Vigneaux**



Stevan currently resides in Marlborough with his wife, Deborah. He is the father of three and has attended Grace since 1997, becoming a member in 2000. Stevan has served on two Search Committees—Youth Pastor and Senior Pastor, was involved with the Men's Ministry, and currently leads a Sunday morning Community Group with Deborah on Sunday mornings. He is the Director of Product Management at Mimio where he leads his team in developing educational technology products that are improving education globally.