

# BELPRES CHURCH

## **Elder Class of 2024**

### Amy Fox

Amy has attended BelPres since 2013. She has participated in the In-Depth Bible Study and Auto Angels. She is an English teacher and would love you to give her your book recommendations. Amy loves to hike with her dog, read, and explore new restaurants. Amy and her husband, Parker, live in Bellevue, where they moved after deciding, inexplicably, to move away from Santa Barbara where they met.

### Heather Harris

Heather has attended BelPres for 28 years and became a member 13 years ago. She is mom to one teenager with whom she shares a love of aviation and adventure travel. God has been at work in Heather's life through 12 years of Bible Study Fellowship and serving in short term missions in Peru, Honduras, Bhutan, Nepal, Myanmar, Cambodia and Thailand. A technology and information management professional for over 30 years, Heather spends her free time hiking, mountain biking, running, kayaking, skiing, scuba diving and other adventures.

### Raja Olimuthu

Raja has been attending BelPres since 2010, when he moved to Bellevue from Houston, TX. His nationality is Indian and Sri Lankan but was born and brought up in Texas. His close-knit family is spread across the US – his parents still live in Houston and his brother is in California. Raja works in technical sales for an engineering software company. Raja's hobbies include music, videography, and playing basketball. He has been involved with several BelPres ministries/teams: Diversity Team, Eastside Academy, Modern Worship, and All In Groups.

### John Tri Tran

John Tri Tran is married to Linsey and the father of four. He has been a BelPres member since 2021, attending since 2008. John occasionally volunteers with the preschool and previously volunteered with the Middle. John Tri enjoys spending time with family, time outdoors, and sleeping. Fun fact: since being a father, John Tri overcame his fear of being alone in the dark. Still scared of spiders though.

### Megan Veldee

Megan has been a member since 1976, and with husband Mark, raised three children while attending BelPres. She has enjoyed singing in every available choir including 42 years in BelPres Martureo. In recent years, she has led Guitar Fellowship, Homebound Communion and Anointing Prayer ministries. She loves studying God's word daily through Community Bible Study. Megan's first careers were in dietetics and nutrition research and now she is a professional artist. Fun fact: Megan taught Art Day chocolate-making at a local school for 10 years – Yum!

### Emi Williams

Emilia (Emi) Williams is a senior at Bellevue High and will attend Dartmouth College this fall. She has attended BelPres since birth, became a member in 2017, and an elder in 2021. Emi loves volunteering Sundays in the preschool and went on the Baja mission trip in 2019. She also enjoys fastpitch softball. As a fellow with Our Climate, Emi advocates for legislation addressing climate change in Washington State. Given her passion for hiking, Emi founded a hiking club at her school, encouraging students to get outdoors.