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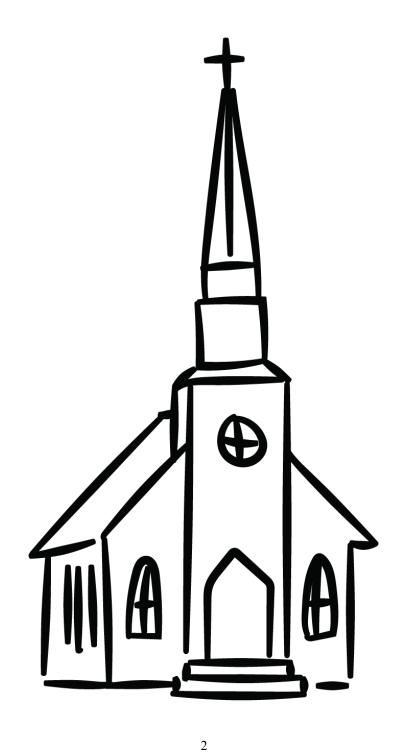


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Please join us in giving a warm welcome to the New Members who are becoming part of our church family this month!

We're thrilled to have this wonderful group worshipping with us at Family of Christ.





## René, Beth, Ella & Henry Bruer

Welcome Bruer family: René, Beth, Ella, and Henry! Their family also includes two goldendoodles: Ziggy and Moss. They moved to Colorado Springs from Tallahassee, FL, in June 2019. René is the co-CEO of Smith Bruer Advisors, a financial planning firm. Beth homeschools the kids and is also a graduate student working on her master's degree in financial planning. Ella is a high school senior and Henry is a sophomore. The family enjoys working out at the gym, hiking, reading, and watching Netflix.



## **Bryan & Julie Demerath**

Welcome Bryan and Julie! They moved to Colorado in 2016 from Grafton, Wisconsin. Their families are all from Grafton, and they were high school sweethearts. Bryan and Julie both attended Concordia University in Mequon and graduated prior to getting married. Bryan works for Harris Government in IT. Julie works for Radiation Oncology Associates, Ltd. in Wisconsin and has worked with them for 31 years.

Their daughter Alli (kindergarten teacher) and her husband Jason live in Wisconsin and have two daughters Everly (3) and Emilia (1 ½). Their son, Jake, lives here and is a CSPD officer.

Bryan and Julie enjoy hiking, camping, traveling, Disney, and spending time with their family.



# Jeff & Kathy Baker

Welcome Jeff and Kathy! Jeff grew up in Portland, Oregon and Dallas, Texas. Kathy grew up in Spokane, Washington. They met while attending Whitman College in Walla Walla, Washington and have been married for over 46 years!

Jeff is a Dentist who worked in private practice for 5 years, then the Air Force for 26 years, and finally for the State of Colorado for 5 years. Kathy worked as a Dental Assistant for many years, then spent time working in a museum and managing a thrift store. She graduated from culinary school and enjoys cooking for family and friends. In the summer, she can usually be found in her garden. They have two grown children (both in Colorado) and 5 grandchildren with one more on the way!

They are now both retired and enjoy traveling – especially searching out National Parks. They also enjoy hiking, kayaking, and spoiling their grandkids.



### **Jeff & Colleen Irwin**

Welcome Jeff and Colleen! They are new members by transfer from Holy Cross Lutheran in Colorado Springs since October 2021. Colleen is a native of Mesa, AZ, and Jeff is a native of Little Falls, MN. Both served in the Air Force and have made Colorado Springs home after all their travels with the military.

Colleen works at Peterson Space Force Base with the C-130 Reserve Unit, and Jeff works at Schriever Space Force Base for the Missile Defense Agency. Aside from working, they enjoy camping, hiking, geocaching, kayaking, attending sporting events, and just generally exploring Colorado and beyond.

They became grandparents for the first time in September 2021, with their second grandchild expected in September 2022! Jeff and Colleen are looking forward to retirement in the near future so they can focus on the joys of grandparenting and traveling.



#### Rev. Tom & Charlene Albertson

Welcome Rev. Tom and Charlene! They both retired at the end of December and are transferring from Modesto, California – where Tom served as Pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, and Charlene worked as an Accountant for Bronco Wine Company.

They have two children: Laura lives in Lincoln, Nebraska, and Mike lives in Columbus, Ohio, with Melinda his wife and four children: Everett (10), Wren (7), Russell (5), and Nels (3).

Tom is an avid car enthusiast! We own a 1930 Model A Town Sedan and a 1965 Mustang Coupe. Charlene enjoys sewing and dance.