

Thank you for your consideration. We feel blessed to be a part of this process and believe that everything in life has led us all to this moment for a reason. We are Matt and Mallory, and we have been married since 2009. Family has always been important to us and we look forward to expanding our family through an open adoption. We are excited to connect with you and create new and lasting relationships through this experience.

We strive to keep life simple and believe in the power of community where we are active in service organizations, church, and local events. We also enjoy playing instruments and singing, entertaining friends and family, travel, fitness, theater, gardening, and simple daily habits like reading to each other nightly and practicing daily gratitude. We look forward to someday bringing a child into our family to share these experiences and raise them to appreciate the simple things we have built our lives around. We appreciate you and look forward to the opportunity to meet you soon.

Sincerely,

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Why Adoption

Adoption has always been something we have considered and we feel like this is the right time to pursue expanding our family. We love our four nephews, and you can often find us picking up and dropping them off for school and appointments, leading Boy Scouts, teaching piano lessons, hosting overnights, taking family trips together, and attending fine arts and athletic events. Our lives are better with them in it and we look forward to welcoming a child into our immediate family to provide them with the same opportunities and experiences we enjoy with our nephews.









Our Life Together

We met in our college choir, and with a little help from mutual friends, we started dating and were married in 2009. The following summer, we welcomed our dog, Gabby, to the family who was our loyal companion for 15 years. We enjoy each other's company and find ways to have fun together everyday. We continue to enjoy singing and making music together. We also love traveling (our favorite trips include Rome, Hawaii, and New York), dressing up for Halloween, hosting our annual garden party, fitness, swing dancing, and having jam sessions with friends and family at our home. We are active in our community and have participated in many boards and committees. We enjoy attending music and theater events, athletic activities, and concerts.























Matt's Story

I grew up on the family farm near Spiritwood, ND where I learned the values of hard work, caring for others, and leaving something better than I found it. I have lived in northeast South Dakota since 2005 when I moved here to attend college for my undergraduate degree and later went on to earn my masters. I have formed many friendships and relationships that I am grateful for and have found my calling as a Financial Advisor and Market Developer for a financial firm where I own and operate my own practice. In my free time I enjoy volunteering, gardening, home improvement projects, hunting and fishing, working out, playing guitar, and spending time with family and friends. I also enjoy putting up Christmas lights during the holiday season and many compare our home to the Griswalds.







Mallory's Story

I have lived in South Dakota my whole life, moving frequently during my elementary years. My family ended up in Wall, SD where we enjoyed small town life and being near my grandma, aunts, uncles, and cousins. As a kid, I loved playing with my three siblings and being in school. I excelled in piano, and enjoyed band, choir, theater, and art classes. Growing up in a tourist town, we spent our summers working but made plenty of time to be outside and go to the local pool. I moved to north east, South Dakota in 2005 to attend college as a music major, and in 2014, I earned a Master in Music Education. I taught public school music for 13 years, and in August of 2023, I accepted the position of Director of Worship and Music at our church. I enjoy working with the various music groups at the church and love teaching preschool music there once a week. I enjoy playing piano, walking, cooking, baking, reading, spending time with family, hosting themed parties, and spending time in our garden.



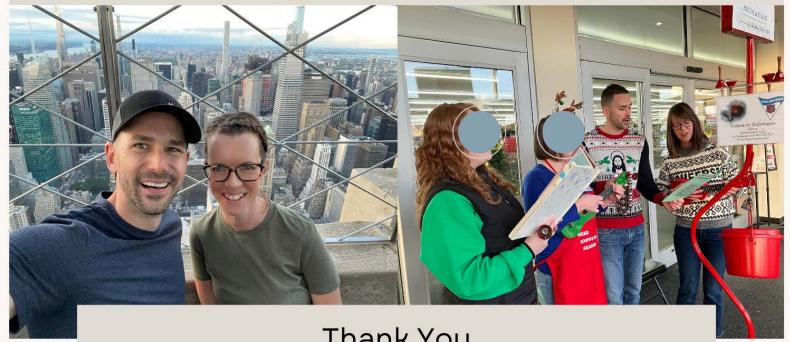


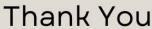














We hope that we have provided you a glimpse into our lives. We are grateful to you and are open to any questions you have for us. Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to visiting soon.

Matt & Mallory





