

“ New Member Profile “

This week's feature : David and Kathleen Johnston



David was born in Somerville, Mass. and grew up in rural Pittsburgh, PA. He had one sister in his family. After graduating from high school, he began his college studies at Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois. His major was Business.

Kathleen was born in Cleveland and grew up in Brookpark, OH. She grew up with one sister and two brothers in her family. Her education continued after high school when she attended DePaul University in Chicago, IL. Her major was Liberal Arts.

They met at a training conference in Minneapolis, Minn. Kathleen and David have raised three children and cherish the family God has given them! Timothy is 55, works in medical sales, and fiancée Tami is working in marketing and business administration. Christopher, 54 is a university counselor, wife Stacy is an elementary school principal. Grandchildren are Liam, Grace, Ellie and Jack. Jeremy, 47, is a musician and music instructor, wife Patricia is a musician and music instructor. Grandchildren are Evan and Bobby.

Kathleen and David were looking for an ELCA congregation in the area that was active in outreach. They began attending Prince of Peace services last November soon after moving to Ohio. On each visit, many members introduced themselves and welcomed them to POP! It is heartwarming to know our congregation seeks to open our arms to visitors this way. They recently attended the new member class held by Pastor Charlie on February 18. David and Kathleen are participating in the Lenten Bible Study.

Both stay active with Family and Volunteering. They support Adapted Sports events that are modified to allow people with disabilities to participate. Good Knights of Lorain County is another group that has a goal to provide beds to children in need. Something that POP members may not know is they have retired for 24 years. They worked together at AT&T. David and Kathleen have recently relocated from Syracuse, Indiana. They are looking forward to a family trip to Bozeman, Montana in September to attend their son Timothy's wedding!

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Great things are happening at Prince of Peace! We can see an energy taking hold to inspire our members. David and Kathleen bring a spirit with them and want to become active with us. What a blessing it is to be able to do God's work with even more hands.

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