

## “ Profile Story “

*This week’s feature : Chris and Mike Piskunoff*



Chris and Mike were both born in the Cleveland area. Chris grew up in Rocky River and Mike grew up in Lakewood. Chris attended St. Christopher’s Elementary, Rocky River High School, and Cleveland State University. Mike went to Lakewood Public Schools and graduated from Lakewood High. Chris graduated from Lorain Community College with a degree in Radiologic Technology. She spent 28 years as a Radiologic Technologist and is now retired. Mike apprenticed as an Electrician, becoming a Journeyman. He worked out of Local 38 IBEW until his retirement. Chris has 1 living brother and 1 deceased. Mike has 1 brother.

Chris relates that their meeting is a long and funny story ... They were both divorced and raising young children. Several different friends tried to “fix them up” with blind dates, but neither of them were ready. Fate truly stepped in thanks to Cleveland Magazine! P.S. They joked that when they

finally had a first date, that “sparks were flying” since Chris was an X-ray Tech and Mike was an Electrician!

Chris has 2 adult sons now. Dawson is 50 and is married and living in Florida. He is retired from the Air Force, works in Satellite Communications, and has a son, a daughter and 2 stepsons. Dan is 49, and lives with his significant other in California. He is involved in vintage high end fashion , and she is an artist. Mike has a daughter Alexandra, age 42. She is married and works from home in Fayetteville, NC. They have a 3 year old daughter, Olivia. Together, Mike and Chris have a daughter Nina. Nina is 33, fairly newly married , and just bought a house in North Ridgeville. She is an Education Intervention Specialist, and teaches at Medina County Career Center. Chris and Mike have a spoiled pup, Petey! He is their “baby”.

They had joined a Lutheran Church when their daughter Nina was born. They followed some friends here to POP, and are returning. Chris and Mike are just getting back into a renewed membership but are looking forward to finding their service niches!

They have a variety of hobbies and interests. Chris enjoys reading, especially mysteries. She also loves classic films, and a bit of gardening. She lived in Germany for a year in 1972 and still has friends there. Mike likes to tinker on everything from cars to pinball machines. He has always been a drummer, and still plays in a rock band once in a while. They hope to do more traveling in the future, as long as they can!

Mike and Chris have seen a great energy here at Prince of Peace! The focus of this community will always reflect the Light and Love of God! You will usually find them attending the traditional service on Sunday. Please welcome them, you will discover a very kind and friendly couple!

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