# Welcome to First Lutheran Church

Meet Our Newest Members



### BILL AND DIANE HERRMANN

Bill and Diane have transferred from Bethany Lutheran in Cherry Hills Village, Colorado. As new residents in Lincoln, they look forward to a church family and giving their time to others.



# **JAMES OVERCASH**

Jim works and lives in Lincoln. While attending First Lutheran the last few months, he has very much enjoyed the liturgy. Additionally, the welcoming environment that has been created by First Lutheran's members has been really special for him and he looks



forward to helping participate in the efforts of the church. Jim has been volunteering behind the scenes for the past several months running our Sunday morning livestream.

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## JOSHUA STARKEY

Josh is the son of members, Teresa and Mike Brohimer. Josh grew up in Fremont where he was a member of Sinai Lutheran Church. Josh graduated from UNL and enjoys foreign travel, languages (fluent in Spanish), learning and baking.



## BETTY WILKEN

Betty has been a Lincoln resident since the late 1970's. She has taught language arts to middle school students, worked in the UNL Administration office and was a missionary teacher in Cameroon and Madagascar. She was the Administration Assistant for Spirit of Hope Church and is now retired.



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### **New Member Rite**

Leader: Dear friends, we rejoice to receive you, members of the one holy catholic and apostolic church, into our fellowship in the gospel. In Holy Baptism our Lord Jesus Christ received you and made you members of his church. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism:

- To live among God's faithful people
- To hear God's word and share his supper
- To proclaim the good news of Christ through Word and deed
- To serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus Christ,
- And to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

If so, say, "I do and I ask God to help and guide me."

Leader: Let us pray. Gracious God, we praise you for the opportunity to welcome these fellow disciples into our faith community. We thank you for their life stories, faith journeys, and diverse gifts. Help us to be a nurturing environment for these new friends. Bless us all, O God, as we worship, pray, learn and serve together and seek to be your servants in the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Leader: Let us welcome these new friends:

Congregation: We welcome you as fellow members of the Body of Christ and into the mission we share. Claimed at the font, united at Christ's table, and strengthened by Christ's word, we go together to proclaim the good news and do the work of God's kingdom. Welcome to First Lutheran Church.