

# FRED & WILL

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ABOUT US

Fred grew up in a large family on a dairy farm in Missouri, and is now an architect in the city. He loves playing with his daughter, riding bikes and baking treats with her. Will grew up in eastern Pennsylvania and is now a priest after a career as a professional singer. We met through a mutual friend at a Christmas costume party in 2004. Will arrived dressed as a wiseman, and Fred hosted the party dressed as Jesus's daddy! It was love at first sight as we danced that night away in our costumes. As a family we love traveling to visit friends and family, including a recent visit to family in France. We recently completed the renovation of an historic house and are thrilled to call it our new home!



#### our home & pets

We currently live in an historic home in the suburbs of a major city. It is located within a few blocks of several playgrounds and parks, as well as the pedestrian downtown of the village. The village has terrific schools, parks, and libraries that are nearby. We renovated the home over the past year to add several bathrooms and an additional bedroom for more family to visit. The best part is having a beautiful yard and plenty of play space throughout the house for Reese and potentially more to come!

### our adoption story

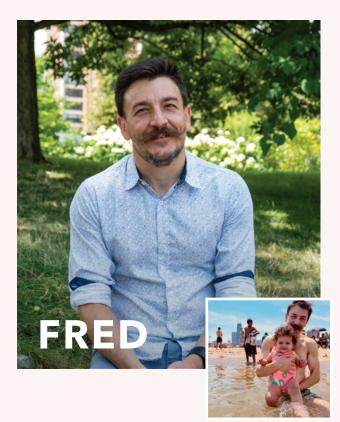
We love celebrating the incredible gift of adoption. For Reese, celebrating her adoption day highlights the joy of having so many people in her world that love her. Children benefit from strong relationships and connections with people of all ages, and a diverse family, including her birth family and extended family of ours. We love the idea of raising your child alongside our adopted daughter, Reese, and loving them as completely as we love her. We want your child to feel the incredible love and good fortune to be desired so deeply.

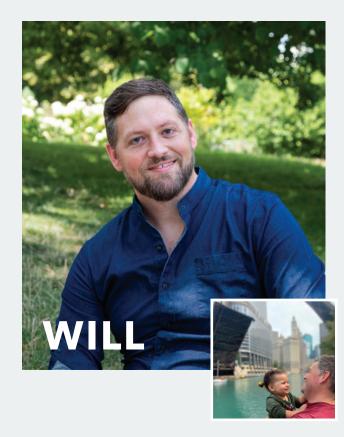


## PHOTOS OF our life together



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OCCUPATION: A	Architect	OCCUPATION:	Episcopal Priest
EDUCATION: N	Master of Architecture	EDUCATION:	Master of Divinity and Music
RACE: C	Caucasian	RACE:	Caucasian
<b>RELIGION:</b> C	Christian	RELIGION:	Christian
SPORT: S	Swimming, running, baseball	SPORT:	Squash, swimming, biking
FOOD: N	Mexican	FOOD:	Sushi
HOBBY: B	Baking, triathlons	HOBBY:	Travel, singing
TRADITION: S	Summer family trip	TRADITION:	Christmas party
MUSICAL GROUP: C	Connor Youngblood	MUSICAL GROUP:	Mumford and Sons
MOVIE: T	The Dark Knight	MOVIE:	Willy Wonka
DREAM VACATION: Is	stanbul	DREAM VACATION:	Japan, Egypt
HOLIDAY: T	Thanksgiving	HOLIDAY:	Christmas, Easter
TV SHOW: T	The Office	TV SHOW:	Star Trek, Seinfeld
SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: A	Art	SUBJECT IN SCHOOL:	History
BOOK: T	The Night Circus	BOOK:	Church hymnal

### OUR FAMILY and traditions





We both come from supportive and loving families. Fred was surrounded by family growing up on a dairy farm. His grandmother, two uncles, aunt, and cousins lived across the road. Now his three older sisters have vibrant careers, with six children between them. His parents are retired and love hosting the grandkids for creative activities like plays, pirate parties, science camps, and art activities.

Will grew up in the Philadelphia suburbs as one of ten cousins on his mom's side. The family is very close and has a long tradition of holidays together, eating special foods (crab dip, Grandma's vegetable soup, lobster bisque), and singing Christmas carols around the piano. Will's dad is French and immigrated to the U.S. after he met Will's mother in the 1970s in Bermuda. She is now an independent psychotherapist and loves being a grandma. His older brother is married with two kids and is part of the family business as an investment advisor.





We are excited that you might choose us as a family for your child, and yet our hearts go out to you having to make this difficult decision. We imagine there will be strong emotions for you around this choice, but we also know there will be deep joy for you in the gift you will offer, as your family joins ours.

Our devotion to each other over the last 18 years has helped us through challenges, face our fears, and find our unique path in the world, including adoption. We dream that we will be able to share this love with your child, as we are with Reese, and to offer them the same dedication and support we share as a family.

Fred can't wait to encourage the curiosity and wonder he learned as a child. Will is looking forward to continuing to build our home with your child through good meals, art, imagination, silly voices, and lots of dad jokes. Reese is an incredibly social and joyful girl who loves to give hugs and kisses and will shower her new brother or sister with tender affection, and we can't wait to see. She is practically begging us for a sibling.

Thank you for considering our family as a potential recipient of your gift. We hope to meet you in person and share our love with you as well.

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