

# Kristen & Jason



## Hobbies & Interests

Travel, Board games/Video games, Gardening, Music, Making art, Movies, Biking, Kayaking & all things Food.

## Occupation

Jason is an architectural photographer. Kristen is a ceramic artist.

## Education

Kristen and Jason both have a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the College for Creative Studies.

## Religion or Belief System

We don't consider ourselves to be religious, but live our lives with open minds and respect for all beliefs.

## Pets

We have one dog, Jasper.

## Children in Home

None

## Our Story

We grew up in the same small town, but it wasn't until college that we started hanging out with mutual friends. We got to talking about music, art, film, and Kristen's recent travels and realized we had a lot in common. We were dating by the end of that week, and have been together ever since. Over the years, we've strengthened our relationship by being best friends and true partners, and in the summer of 2012 we got married.

## What Brought Us to Adoption

We included adoption in our conversations about growing our family from the very beginning. After meeting with a fertility specialist and finding out that we would not be able to conceive without fertility treatments, we knew that was not the right path for us. We were confident that adoption was our next step. We wholeheartedly feel like this is where we are meant to be.

## Our Hopes, Open Adoption & Relationship with Birth Family

We are committed to building a relationship that is comfortable for everyone. With a foundation of mutual trust and respect, we are open to working towards integrating birth parents or other birth family members into our lives as part of our child's extended family. At the same time, we will be respectful of the need for distance if that is what you would prefer. We are flexible and willing to evolve through this process together and throughout this child's life to build a healthy, loving, and supportive relationship with you, whatever that may look like.



These individuals have met all requirements of the State of Michigan and Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County to become adoptive parents, may fit your situation and are waiting to welcome a child into their home. If you would like more information about this family, please contact Melissa or Kayleigh or email [pregnancy@csswashtenaw.org](mailto:pregnancy@csswashtenaw.org).



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