



**DANA MALAN AND CRISTIAN VILLALOBOS**

I'm originally from Philadelphia and have lived in a lot of places, but Austin, Texas, was home for the longest, until we moved to Minnesota in 2021 to be near family. I was drawn to Hamline because of its passion for justice and care for all, honoring the heart of the Bible - the Red Words. I live in Como with my husband and our kids, Victor (13) and Frankie (10). I'm proudly and joyfully queer, even if you might not clock it right away given the husband situation, and I'm grateful to be part of a church that affirms the whole of who we are. Go Birds.

Hi, I'm Cristian Villalobos. I grew up in New England, spent time in Ohio, Colorado, New York and Texas, and I'm very happy to have settled in St. Paul! Most of my career has been in education, both in the classroom (as a teacher) and out of the classroom (as a program administrator). I was raised Catholic and Unitarian, and getting back into a time and space for self-reflection and community along my spiritual journey through Hamline church is something I'm very grateful for. You may see me any given Sunday at church with my wife Dana, son Victor and sometimes our son youngest son Frankie.



**JOE AND MARY RIEHLE**

Joe and Mary Riehle met - where else? - on a dating app 10 years ago and have had many adventures since! They ran a nursery and CSA (produce) business for three years in Corcoran, MN before deciding to sell their farm and move closer to the grandkids 2 years ago. Joe ran a much larger-scale nursery, landscaping and produce business in Aitkin, MN for 30 years and raised 3 girls. Mary combined singing as a classically-trained soprano and working administratively in various legal and professional offices in Minneapolis while raising a son. They now have 4 grandchildren (5 next April!) and keep busy with limousine and bus driving and landscaping our and all of the kids' yards (Joe), and working part-time for the MN State Horticultural Society and singing in church choir and community theatre productions (Mary). They enjoy traveling, gardening and singing together in community theater productions, and their dog, Milo.

Not pictured: Tanya Graska



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# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO HAMLINE CHURCH - FALL 2025 -





**CAREY MORRISON AND JARED PENNOYER**

Jared was born in California and grew up in Blaine, MN and Carey grew up on a farm in northeastern North Dakota. We met in the theatre department at Bethel University and were married in 2006. We briefly moved to Exeter, UK while Carey was studying for her MA in Drama Research. Since then we have settled in Circle Pines where we are raising our three kids, Sabin (13), Flint (11), and Noah (8). Jared now works as a service technician in medical automation and Carey works for the State of Minnesota in affordable housing. We were drawn to Hamline because we feel that it is an inclusive and supportive community of faith.



**TIM SCHLEICHER**

I'm Tim Schleicher. I grew up in Shakopee, Minnesota, and moved to Minneapolis and St. Paul to attend the University of Minnesota. I work in Information Technology for the State of Minnesota. I'm drawn to Hamline Church for how welcoming it is to all people. I live in the Hamline-Midway neighborhood with my husband, Dan, and our energetic dog named Castle.



**DANIELLE THURNAU**

I'm Danielle Thurnau and I've been apart of the Methodist Church since my Sunday school years. I love serving my community and spreading my knowledge about financial literacy and independence. I live in Savage and I have 2 beautiful daughters, Aaliyah (12) and Navy (7 mo.) An amazing and supportive husband Nick as well as my frenchie Feather Lola.



**ALEC JANNING**

I'm Alec Janning, husband of Gabrielle Horsford. We have been coming to Hamline Church since 2023. I work as a researcher, having earned my Masters of Public Health. I am drawn to Hamline because of the community being welcoming to all.

**CHAR VIRNIG**

I'm Charlotte Virnig. I was born and raised in Little Canada. I've happily lived in my Midway home for 30 years where I raised my now grown son and daughter. I have 5 spectacular grandchildren who I love and adore. God drew me to Hamline Church via Hamline Midway Elders. I appreciate the rainbow flag, the female leadership, the progressive views and the beautiful building. I've been attending since January 2025 and have felt so welcomed by everyone.



**JANICE WELCH**

I am Janice Welch. I study music and theatre which is a dream come true. I also enjoy nature walks with my 2 puppies, contemplation and travel. I am a proud two spirit Mohican Indian and a Christian.



**EMILY ZICK**

Hello! My name is Emily and I just moved up to Minnesota with my wife and dog. I'm originally from Florida and I'm currently working on my MDiv from Candler School of Theology. I'm currently working on creating an affirming environment at Hamline University and would love a place to learn and grow.



**NOAH, KATIE AND HERA STROM**

I'm Noah Strom, and I am drawn to Hamline Church for its strong sense of community, its beautiful sanctuary, and wonderful music. I grew up in the ELCA but share the values that are evident at Hamline Church. I enjoy playing piano, organ, and harpsichord and hope to contribute to worship in whatever way I can.

Hi. I'm Katie. I live in the Hamline Midway neighborhood with my husband, Noah, and daughter, Hera. I am a nurse and I enjoy books, bowling, traveling, and friends. We are very excited to be part of Hamline Church's inclusive community and to grow in our spiritual faith.

Hi. My name is Hera. I am three. I love to dance. My favorite TV show is SuperKitties. I like my new friend's at Hamline church and the playground.

**JUDY LIPOVETZ**

I was born in Hibbing, MN in 1938 where we we lived and rased our three children in the United Methodist Church. When my future husband discussed churches i said we can't be Lutheran - their music isn't as good. I sang in choir, belonged to circle, and taught Sunday School, as did my mother. We both worked in the kitchen for funerals and weddings, etc. We told our children to move south and they did - as far as the Twin Cities which I now love. We have 7 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren and 4 wonderful granddogs. My husband died in 2020 of covid. We were blessed to have 61 years of happiness together. I'm so happy to be back in the Methodist Church where i know the music and the Lord's Prayer.

