# Welcome New BLC Members - October 3, 2021!



### Lucina Brogan

Lucina grew up in Newfield, NY. She previously lived in Perinton for 24 years, where she and husband, Joe, raised their three daughters. After living for 27 years on Sodus Bay, she has returned to the area, currently residing in Penfield. She comes to BLC from First Lutheran Church in Lyons. Lucina is retired, having worked for Xerox for 20 years. She enjoys carving decoys and has been a member of the Genesee Valley Wood Carvers for over 25 years.



#### **Julie and Dave Merges**

Julie and Dave, along with sons, Peter, Will, and Henry, and their dog, Lucy, live in Farmington. They come to BLC from St. John's Lutheran Church in Pumpkin Hook. Julie is originally from Groveland, NY and Dave grew up in a variety of places throughout New York. Their jobs, as well as Julie's family, brought them to the Rochester area around 30 years ago. Julie teaches math at Victor High School and Dave, a retired school psychologist and administrator, now works for Meals on Wheels and the Buffalo Bills.

In their leisure time, Julie enjoys sewing, quilting, cooking, biking, and working in her garden. Dave

loves home improvement projects, kayaking, and playing with Lucy. Julie and Dave's connection to BLC is through several families that previously transferred from St. John's as well as Jen Wideman, who teaches math with Julie at VHS. They appreciated the opportunity to worship via live streaming throughout the time of COVID. "*The friendliness of the people, the messages shared through both sermons and worship, and the music are true draws for us.*"

## **Robin and John Panko**

Robin and John moved to Fairport from Florida in May 2020. Robin, is originally from Rochester, having been both baptized and confirmed at Church of the Assumption in Fairport. John was born in Buffalo and was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church in W. Seneca. They are both retired. They were active in their previous church and wanted to join a local Lutheran church. John is interested in being a part of the finance team and together they are looking for ministries at BLC that may appeal to them as they get to know the church and its members better over time.



### **Ginny and Dale Schumacher**

Ginny and Dale moved to Bushnell's Basin three years ago from Ithaca, where they were members of Christ the King Lutheran Church in Vestal. Dale grew up in Honeoye Falls and Ginny in Queens and Port Jefferson, NY. They have four adult children and seven grandchildren. Dale is a retired school superintendent and director of a non-profit for

homeless youth. Ginny is a retired classroom teacher and museum educator. In their free time, Dale likes to hunt and fish, while Ginny enjoys reading and watercolor painting. "We feel BLC is the right place for us to belong and grow our faith."