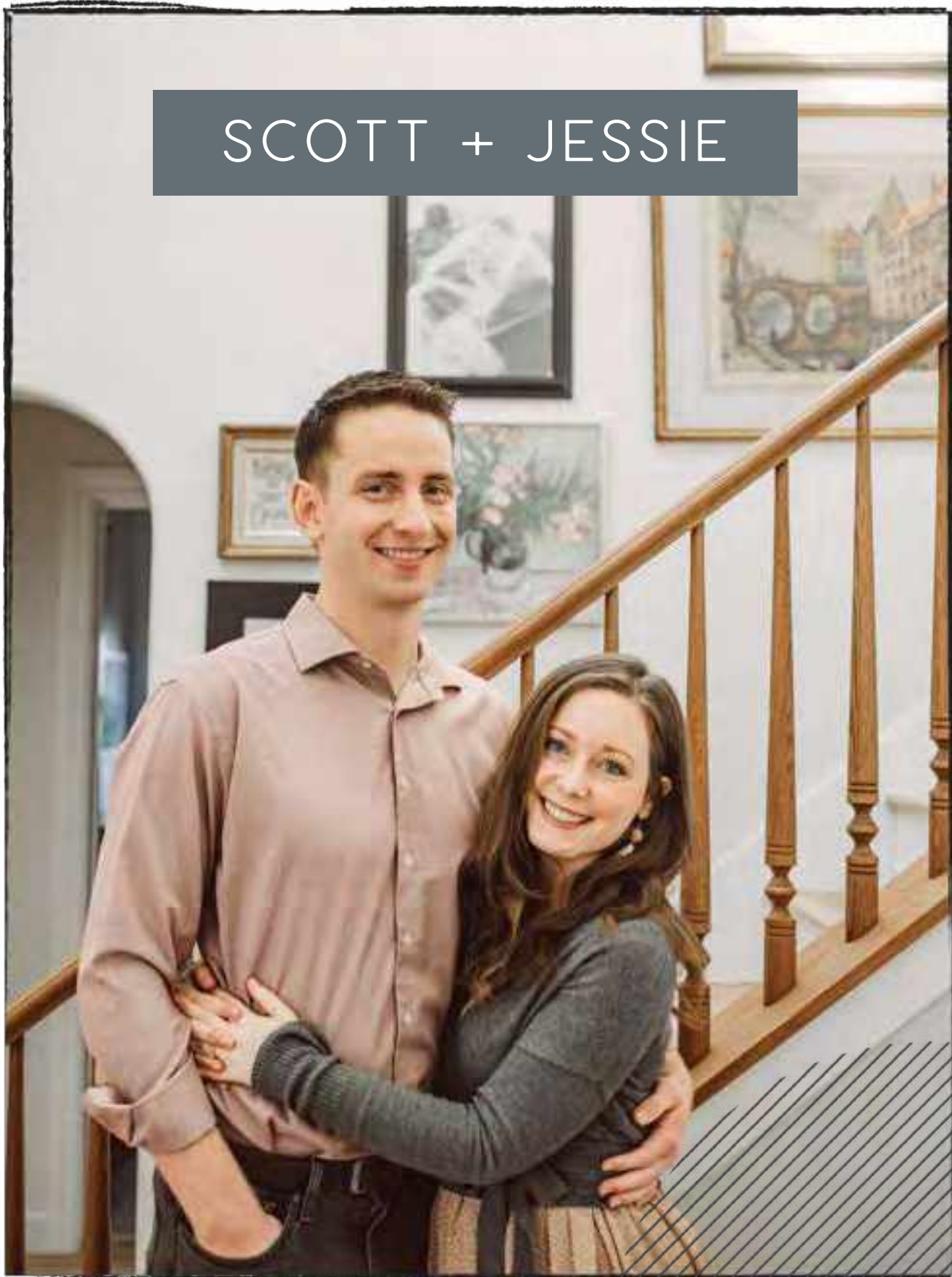


SCOTT + JESSIE



# HI, I'M SCOTT!



MY FRIENDS  
SAY I AM  
FUNNY  
LAID BACK  
THOUGHTFUL

## ON BEING A FATHER

My greatest accomplishment is becoming a husband and father. Maybe that sounds cliché, but I can't think of anything more important to be doing with my life. Growing up, I knew my parents would support me in anything and love me no matter what. This gave me a security in my own family to feel accepted for who I am. As a father, I try to give my children the same support and unconditional love that allows them to feel security in their own home. I look forward to caring for another child, seeing them grow and develop as a person, and holding them in my arms. I look forward to laughing with them, teaching them about life, and playing with them. I'm also excited to see our two boys bond with them!

## MY OCCUPATION + HOBBIES

I am an accountant and my work schedule is very flexible, allowing for me to be present for family events. My job will also allow for 12 weeks off for bonding with a child during adoption, which I plan to use. Outside of work, I greatly enjoy both playing and watching sports, board games with friends, and reading.

# HELLO, I'M JESSIE!



MY FRIENDS  
SAY I AM  
AUTHENTIC  
FUN  
JOYFUL

## ON BEING A MOTHER

When I was growing up, I longed for a full house where all felt welcome. My mom had a heart for others, and my dad could make any situation, even the most serious, into a fun time that ended with us all laughing. I aspire to teach my kids those same values: caring for others and making others feel lighthearted. With the help of those who raised me and a caring husband, I believe we have accomplished that together. It's fun to watch each person or animal in our home find their place and feel belonging. I am looking forward to seeing another personality join our family. It's so fun to discover a person- what they like or dislike. I love finding how to assist our children to develop their unique characteristics. I also just can't wait to see all the kids have fun together!

## MY OCCUPATION + HOBBIES

I volunteer for an organization called Foster the Bay. We aim to have a loving home for every child within the foster care system. I get to inform others about foster care and the needs of families and children within the system. I am able to do most of my work online, so I have plenty of flexibility to be with my kids!

I have always had a love for reading. I love learning about lives vastly different than mine through reading stories. Since the start of the pandemic, I've learned some new hobbies like gardening and baking. Learning how to care for flowers and vegetables has become a calming activity for me. Along with a couple friends, I've discovered the art of sourdough bread. Recently, I've been branching out to bake French madeleines and various sweet breads. The best thing about baking is eating the result!



## IAIN IS FIVE YEARS OLD

Iain is an emotionally intelligent, caring, and creative child. He greatly looks forward to having another young sibling in the family to help take care of and love. He's thoughtful about the needs of others, including both us and his younger brother.

These two are best friends and want to do most everything together. They come up with creative games and contests and usually enjoy exploring new things side-by-side.

Every year, we go to Lake Tahoe and Carmel-by-the-Sea for family vacation. We enjoy anything that involves nature. Thankfully, California is filled with great parks and trails to discover. We are a family that loves stories! We enjoy them most in book form, but we all appreciate a good movie time as well. Right now, mostly Disney productions rule the screen.



## PETER IS THREE YEARS OLD

Peter is a bold, passionate, and loyal jitter-bug. He runs into new things fearlessly and lives life to the fullest. He is also very endearing and loyal, often sticking up for his older brother when things don't go Iain's way.



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## CELEBRATING LIFE

Since we moved out to California and family can't always join us, we have created holiday traditions that are flexible to our kids' ages and that allow friends to join us. Jessie loves to plan a big meal for Thanksgiving and Christmas along with a holiday table décor. We always make the same special desserts, such as sugar cookies, sour cream muffins, and red velvet cake.

For July 4th our town holds a parade that we like to attend that gives a lot of local flavor! Halloween is a must for costumes and walking the neighborhood together for candy. For birthdays we really enjoy decorating the house with balloons and streamers and making the day special.

# WELCOME TO OUR HOME

We live in a busy city in California, which means there's plenty of great museums, theaters, zoos, and sunshine. One of our favorite things about our neighborhood is having our own little downtown, which has the cutest children's bookstore, a thrift store (which we call The Treasure Shop), and our go-to Thai and Mexican food.

Our home has 4 bedrooms and 3 bathrooms, with a great size playroom. Originally, built in 1947, past owners remodeled in 2000 by adding a second story and upgrades to all bathrooms. Since we moved in 3 years ago, we have slowly been making the home feel more like a ours. Our backyard has a fenced in garden, concrete area for scooters, and a trampoline. We are thrilled to be growing our family in this home and look forward to many wonderful big celebrations and small, precious moments we will experience together between these walls.

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We love having pets! Our first was Percy, the Belgian shepherd mix, who is 8 years old. He joined us just 7 months after we first were married. Zoe, the gray kitty, joined us 6 years ago right before our first son Iain was born. During 2020 we decided to get chickens! We have two chickens named Bobbie and Miss Priss. Lastly, we rescued a cute, feisty kitten named Tyson who is black and white.

## WE LOVE OUR PETS





Thank you for learning about our family!

We hope you find a comfort and excitement in what we have shared with you. More than anything, we hope you feel loved and cared for during this time. You are thought of very highly by us all no matter what you decide. Our hope is to share with you the joys of your child and keep in contact with pictures and messages as you are comfortable. We look forward to getting to know you and we will be praying for you in the days and months to come.

*xxx,*

*scott & jessie*