## Dear Nolan:

We find it very fitting that we are here with you today, on Thanksgiving, to be blessed and to become a child of God. We have so much to be thankful for, including each other, a loving family and faith community who will always support you with such loving and welcoming arms as they do today, and of course, we are so very thankful for YOU. We are also extremely thankful to be here, at St Paul's today, and to introduce you to a space and community that our family has called "home" for four generations.

It says in the Bible that "whoever loves is a child of God.....for God is love" (1 John 4) and our wish for you is to always know how much you are loved, and that you grow to be a boy and, eventually, a man who loves others deeply. We want you to know that God has always, and WILL always love you. We pray that you follow Jesus and love God and that your life will reflect God's love onto everyone around you.

Love and blessings always, Your mommy and daddy