



# St Matthew In Action



# He is Risen

He is risen  
indeed!

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Rev. Nathan Peitsch,  
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This year, the beginning of April marks the ending of Lent. We begin this month with Holy Week and move right into our Easter celebration. And I can't help but picture your typical movie coach giving a pep talk to his team reminding them, "This is what it's all about!" St. Paul recognized this fact in 1 Corinthians 15. There we read,

"And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the

dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins." - **1 Corinthians 15:14-17**

Without the death and resurrection of Christ, all that we do is in vain. Without Christ's resurrection we would be constantly reminded of how we don't measure up with no hope of fixing it. Without Christ's death for us, we would be held responsible for every infraction of God's righteous law.

The events of Holy Week and Easter are our reason for hope in the face of suffering, sin, and death itself. As we celebrate Palm Sunday, we rejoice in the King of Kings and Lord of Lords who has come to help and save His people. We see as the crowds recognize Jesus as the king of peace and they shout their glad hosanna's to Him. We see Him make His final fateful entrance into Jerusalem, the city about which Jesus himself states, "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'" - **Luke 13:34-35**

This of course is exactly what Jesus was going to Jerusalem for, that they might kill Jesus, the Word of God come down to earth for us all.

As Holy Week continues, we see Jesus in the upper room with His disciples. There He institutes for them and for us a meal we celebrate regularly to this day: The Lord's Supper. As we gather in worship we do as He commanded, doing this in remembrance of Him. In this meal He feeds us, forgives us, and promises us eternal life.

The very next day we celebrate Good Friday. A day I've heard many refer to as "Black Friday" although that's a very different "holiday". While some have questioned why we might call this day "good" St Paul reminds us in Romans 6 what makes this day good:

"For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God." - **Romans 6:10**

He died for sin, once for all. He has done this good thing for you and for me that we might be redeemed from our sins. He paid the ultimate price for our disobedience. What makes this day "good" is the good thing that Christ did for us as He hung His head and died on the cross for us all.

As our initial reading from 1 Corinthians 15 stated, however, all of this would be in vain if not for Easter. Easter assures us that it's all worth it. Because of Christ's resurrection, we are assured not just of our forgiveness, but of the resurrection hope that is ours. Because of Easter, we can have hope in the face of death. We can be confident in times of trouble, because we know that our Savior has died for us all and risen again, promising resurrection to our mortal bodies (Rom. 8:11).

With all this in mind, we rejoice together this month as we celebrate all the events of Holy Week and Easter. I look forward to seeing you all in worship as we celebrate our Savior's death and resurrection together. May the peace of sins forgiven and the joy of the resurrection fill you this month and always.

Easter blessings to you all!

Pastor Nathan Peitsch



**Red** completes the acronym, “Bg-Bgs-Pwr.” Red is a power color and is appropriate for use on Pentecost Sunday. On this day we remember the power and fire of “the Lord and Giver of Life,” who revealed himself as the promised one. The color red communicates the motif of strength-strength and power the Holy Spirit gives in order for God's people to call on the name of Jesus Christ and share that powerful name with others.

There is no question that red is a compelling festive color. Consequently, it serves well as the traditional color for the heroic martyrs of the church. The *Lutheran Service Book* church year calendar provides propers for sixteen martyr festivals and recommends red as the appropriate color. Their red blood shed in defense of the Gospel offers perpetual encouragement for God's people to be resolute in living the faith.

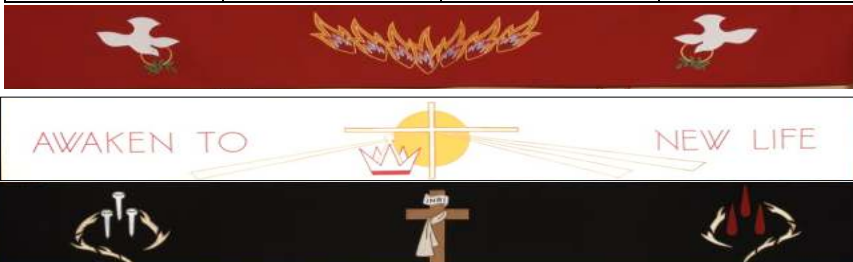
Additional uses of red are Reformation Sunday; Holy Cross Day (Sept. 14); on such festive occasions as dedications, anniversaries of a congregation and its physical structure; festive days celebrating the office of the public ministry, such as ordination and installation.

**Black** is seen very seldom during the year. The calendar calls for its use only twice; on Good Friday and Ash Wednesday. There's no mistaking the message that this sober color gives. Black is the absence of light. Good Friday, or Black Friday in combination with Ash Wednesday, calls for sober reflection on the cost of our redemption. Without Christ's sacrifice on the day the sky turned dark and hid the light of the sun, there would be no bright Light of Christ to live in, nor new life in Christ to enjoy.

**White** is the color of purity and completeness. The theme for the “great fifty days” of Easter is supported by the use of white. This color, used primarily during these Sundays, assists in bearing the message that “though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow.” Christ's triumph from the grave on Resurrection day is the cause for our rejoicing. His purity before his Father becomes our purity. White reinforces that message of joy.

In addition to its use during Eastertide, white is the appointed color for such festive Sundays as Christmas and its twelve days; Epiphany (Jan. 6) and the first Sunday following it, observed as the Baptism of Our Lord; the Last Sunday after the Epiphany, also known as Transfiguration Sunday; Holy Trinity Sunday; and twenty-one minor festivals and occasions listed on the church year calendar in *Lutheran Service Book*. In all, white serves as the best festive color for the church year.

HOLY WEEK Red	Apr. 2	Palm Sunday (Sunday of the Passion)	Isaiah 50:4–9a	Psalm 118:19–29 or Psalm 31:9–16	Phil. 2:5–11	John 12:12–19 (Procession) Matt. 26:1–27:66 or Matt. 27:11–66 or John 12:20–43
	Apr. 6	Holy (Maundy) Thursday	Ex. 12:1–14 or Ex. 24:3–11	Psalm 116:12–19	Heb. 9:11–22 or 1 Cor. 11:23–32	John 13:1–17, 31b–35 or Matt. 26:17–30
Good Friday Black	Apr. 7	Good Friday	Isaiah 52:13— 53:12	Psalm 22 or Psalm 31	Heb. 4:14–16; 5:7–9	John 18:1–19:42 or John 19:17–30
EASTER White	Apr. 9	The Resurrection of Our Lord (Easter Sunrise)	Ex. 14:10–15:1	Psalm 118:15–29 or The Song of Moses and Israel	1 Cor. 15:1–11	John 20:1–18
	Apr. 9	The Resurrection of Our Lord (Easter Day)	Acts 10:34–43 or Jer. 31:1–6	Psalm 16	Col. 3:1–4	Matt. 28:1–10
	Apr. 16	Second S. of Easter	Acts 5:29–42	Psalm 148	1 Peter 1:3–9	John 20:19–31
	Apr. 23	Third S. of Easter	Acts 2:14a, 36–41	Psalm 116:1–14	1 Peter 1:17–25	Luke 24:13–35
	Apr. 30	Fourth S. of Easter	Acts 2:42–47	Psalm 23	1 Peter 2:19–25	John 10:1–10



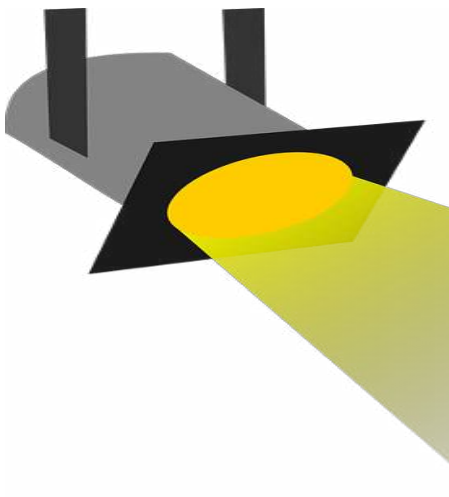
RED

WHITE

BLACK



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# Thrivent Action Event Day

The Helping Hands Quilters invited the ladies from all the Mapleton churches to come and fellowship and work with us on Wednesday, March 22 from 1-4. This was to celebrate National Quilting Day. This is a Thrivent Action day. These are some of the ladies that came. Zola





This event was cancelled for the day, and will be rescheduled at another time. We will keep you posted. The **St. Matthew High School youth** (9th-12th) are invited to an afternoon of volleyball in Charter Oak with St. John's and other area youth. Come join the fun on April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3-5:30. If you are interested in attending please let Sarah Schmidt know (880-2412).

## *St. Matthew Youth Valentines Dinner*



The youth held their Valentine's dinner on Saturday, February 11th from 5:30-8:00, That night the youth served 20 guest, and had three carry-outs. We had four youth helping serve at the supper: Caden Scheer, Tristan Meyer, Troy Schmidt, and Aiden Golden (guest youth). We had three parents helping in the kitchen: Betsy Scheer, Amanda Meyer, and Ryan Paulsen. Melinda Namanny had helped decorate the tables with beautiful centerpieces. The youth made \$405.00 after expenses. They each had a great time and look forward to ding it again next year. The adults had some ideas to help bring a bigger crowd next year, as our attendance was down from years past. Sarah Schmidt. Director of Youth.

## MY FAVORITE RECIPE

SUBMITTED BY:

**Susie Solm**



1 box lemon cake mix  
1 can lemon pie filling  
4 eggs  
Mix will but do not over beat. Spread in grease jelly roll pan. Bake 350\* for 20-25 minutes.

### Frosting

5 tablespoons soften butter  
3oz cream cheese, soften  
3 cups powdered sugar  
Juice of 1/2 lemon  
2-3 tablespoons milk (depending on how thin you want frosting)

Very easy and good recipe. Also freezes well

Susie is a faithful helper with our Helping Hands on Wednesday.  
Thank You Susie for sharing.

**Please share your favorite recipe so it can be enjoyed by all of us. Thank you.**

## **Upcoming Elections of Church Board Officers**

Elections will be held at the next Congregational 'Voters' Meeting in April. Officer terms of service are two years. Officers currently serving their first term can run for a second term, if desired. If you desire to run for election to one of the open positions, please see Congregational President, Mark Witzel. God's blessings to all who currently serve and to those who desire to serve as a Church Board Officer.

Positions up for election in April are:

Congregational Vice President (Positioned is currently vacant)

Recording Secretary (Currently filled, serving in second (final) term)

Treasurer (Currently filled and may choose to run for second term.)

Board of Discipleship, 'Elders' (Males only can serve as Elders. Five of the seven seats are up for election; one seat is vacant, and four seats are filled and may choose to run for re-election.)

Board of Outreach Director (Currently filled and may choose to run for second term.)

**Easter Services:** On April 6th Maundy Thursday service with Holy Communion will be at 7:00 pm at St Paul's. On April 7 th Good Friday service will be at 7:00 pm at St. Matthew, Mapleton. On April 9th Easter Sunrise service with Holy Communion will be held at 6:30 a.m. at St. Paul's, Easter breakfast after sunrise service, Sunday School will start at 9:00 a.m. There will be a 9:00 a.m. Easter Worship Service at St. Matthew, Mapleton. There will be a Easter breakfast here at St. Matthew also furnished by the Elders. The breakfast will be serviced from 8am to 9am prior to the service.

Menu will be eggs and ham, cinnamon rolls, toast, fruit, coffee, everyone is welcome.

**Lenten Suppers** St. Matthew served 3 Lenten suppers. They were done by the Elders, Board of Directors and the Youth Board.

They were enjoyed by many of St. Paul's and St. Matthew members.

A big thank you to those people that worked and furnished the food for these meals. What a blessing you are. We are very thankful for you.

# April Birthdays



# April Baptisms

Emily Boggs	Apr 17, 1992
Brian Brown	Apr 05, 1962
Tanner Broyhill	Apr 19, 1998
Joan Chandler	Apr 30, 1944
Colton Davis	Apr 25, 2008
Jersey Divis	Apr 17, 2006
Shane Erlemeier	Apr 06, 1988
Sue Flanigan	Apr 24, 1961
Lexi Frehse	Apr 11, 2010
Les Goslar	Apr 18, 1948
Darren Goslar	Apr 27, 1983
Jennifer Goslar	Apr 17, 1975
Brittney Gray	Apr 13, 1987
Daniel Greiner	Apr 27, 1991
Brittany Hesse	Apr 15, 1992
Mark Jensen	Apr 08, 1969
Julie Joy	Apr 09, 1980
Daniel Koithan	Apr 06, 1961
Kyle Krueger	Apr 18, 1983
Brent Kuehl	Apr 17, 1974
Clint Lamb	Apr 01, 1978
Curt Larson	Apr 24, 1971
Sharon Melby	Apr 21, 1946
Nate Paulsen	Apr 17, 1987
Weston Scheer	Apr 22, 2015
Harper Schrader	Apr 06, 2018
Matthew Schrader	Apr 08, 1988
Darrell Scott	Apr 16, 1945
Jodi Scott	Apr 09, 1971
Cassidy Walker	Apr 15, 1993
Kathy Wunschel	Apr 27, 1958



Wanda Andre	Apr 02, 1950
Diane Brahms	Apr 16, 1989
Patrick Brodersen	Apr 24, 1966
Cooper Bruhn	Apr 14, 2013
Hadley Bruhn	Apr 08, 2018
Samantha Burkhart	Apr 02, 1994
Alicia Burns	Apr 13, 1980
Susan Creswell	Apr 22, 1973
Kay Elmquist	Apr 03, 1938
Jennifer Engelke	Apr 20, 1975
Shane Erlemeier	Apr 24, 1988
Lennox Fox	Apr 16, 2016
Megan Frehse	Apr 18, 1982
Patricia Gill	Apr 13, 1986
Anna Goslar	Apr 09, 1995
Hunter Goslar	Apr 10, 2016
Maverick Goslar	Apr 10, 2011
Mark Jensen	Apr 19, 2000
Christopher Jochims	Apr 24, 1977
Steve Johnson	Apr 27, 1947
Daniel Koithan	Apr 16, 1961
Dan Kovarna	Apr 13, 1952
Jeff Krusen	Apr 06, 1958
Rita Lafrentz	Apr 15, 1945
Ashton Lichtenberg	Apr 29, 2001
Dennis Muckey	Apr 16, 1950
Gavin Nevins	Apr 01, 1956
Steve Oberg	Apr 23, 1961
Tyler Paulsen	Apr 02, 1994
Rodney Pedersen	Apr 04, 1944
Marlene Phillips	Apr 05, 1936
Gage Rotnicke	Apr 30, 2000
Patty Sanderson	Apr 15, 1969
Matthew Schrader	Apr 23, 1988
Darrell Scott	Apr 21, 1946
Lin Scott	Apr 21, 1946
Kolby Scott	Apr 03, 2005
Megan Weber	Apr 07, 1991
Russell Wray	Apr 28, 1968



## 80 + Birthday God's Blessings

Zola Kafton	Apr 02, 1943	80 yrs.
Wayne Kafton	Apr 27, 1942	81 yrs.
Robert Conyers	Apr 24, 1936	87 yrs.
Darlene Dose	Apr 24, 1934	89 yrs.
Maxine Thies	Apr 28, 1937	86 yrs.
Freda Means	Apr 03, 1927	96 yrs.



## God's Blessings on your Wedding Anniversary

	Married	Anniversary
Pat and Monica Brodersen	23 years	Apr 22, 2000
Jeff and Karen Krusen	44 years	Apr 06, 1979
Clint and Emily Lamb	23 years	Apr 08, 2000
Gary and Maxine Thies	43 years	Apr 18, 1980
Richard and JoAnn Thoreson	62 years	Apr 09, 1961





**Anyone interested** in decorating our altar for Easter your Easter Lilies will be welcome, just bring them to the church with them marked with your name on them. Thank you. The Altar Guild.

### **On April 23rd**

We will be visited by John Stacy from Drake University, a professor, retired in the afternoon sometime. We are exploring the possibility of him becoming our pastor. We will keep you updated on this. Watch the bulletin for times as when to meet with him.

#### **IF JESUS HAD AN OBITUARY**



Jesus Christ, 33, of Nazareth, died Friday on Mount Calvary, also known as Golgotha, the place of the skull. Betrayed by the apostle Judas, Jesus was crucified by the Romans, by order of the Ruler Pontius Pilate. The causes of death were crucifixion, extreme exhaustion, severe torture, and loss of blood.

Jesus Christ, a descendant of Abraham, was a member of the house of David. He was the Son of the late Joseph, a carpenter of Nazareth, and Mary, His devoted Mother. Jesus was born in a stable in the city of Bethlehem, Judea. He is survived by His mother Mary, His faithful Apostles, numerous disciples, and many other followers.

Jesus was self educated and spent most of his adult life working as a Teacher. Jesus also occasionally worked as a Medical Doctor and it is reported that he healed many patients. Up until the time of His death, Jesus was teaching and sharing the Good News, healing the sick, touching the lonely, feeding the hungry, and helping the poor.

Jesus was most noted for telling parables about His Father`s Kingdom and performing miracles, such as feeding over 5,000 people with only five loaves of bread and two fish, and healing a man who was born blind. On the day before His death, He held a Last Supper celebrating the Passover Feast, at which He foretold His death.

The body was quickly buried in a stone grave, which was donated by Joseph of Arimathea, a loyal friend of the family. By order of Pontius Pilate, a boulder was rolled in front of the tomb. Roman soldiers were put on guard. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that everyone try to live as Jesus did. Donations may be sent to anyone in need.



Q: In which book of the Bible does Satan ask God for permission to attack a person? \_\_\_\_\_

A: Job 1:6-12

A: found on page 11





Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Review

### Remember Where We've Been?

We've made 17 stops on our *Route 66* road trip so far. See what you can remember from our journey!

### Matching

Write the correct letter in each blank to match the answers on the right with the descriptions on the left.

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|---|----------------------------|
| 1. ____ number of books in the Bible                              | a. Ruth                    |
| 2. ____ number of books in the Old Testament                      | b. Numbers and Deuteronomy |
| 3. ____ number of books in the New Testament                      | c. 39                      |
| 4. ____ the book about "the beginning"                            | d. Judges                  |
| 5. ____ the journey out of Egypt                                  | e. 66                      |
| 6. ____ rules and regulations                                     | f. Esther                  |
| 7. ____ the census and the sermons of Moses                       | g. Joshua                  |
| 8. ____ the man who led God's people into the Promised Land       | h. 27                      |
| 9. ____ the people who ruled God's people before there were kings | i. 1 & 2 Kings             |
| 10. ____ the woman who was loyal to her mother-in-law, Naomi      | j. Genesis                 |
| 11. ____ the stories of Samuel, Saul, and David                   | k. Leviticus               |
| 12. ____ the stories of Elijah, Elisha, and the kings             | l. Ezra & Nehemiah         |
| 13. ____ the people who led the rebuilding of Jerusalem           | m. Exodus                  |
| 14. ____ the queen who saved her people                           | n. 1 & 2 Samuel            |

# APRIL 2023 ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CALENDAR



SUN: Pick up 7am service	MON	TUES: Pick up 8am Take home: 3:30 pm	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
<b>2 Palm</b> Sun. of services w/HC 8 a.m. Uber: Brian Brown Elder: Jeff Krusen Reader: Karen Kueny Screens: Dennis Muckey Sun. Sch. & Bible Cl. after services	<b>3</b>	4 Rev. N. Peitsch in office 8:30 am to 3:30 pm Uber: Brian Brown	<b>5</b> Helping Hands 1 pm to 4 pm Confirmation classes in Ute 4:30-6pm	<b>6 Holy (Maundy) Thursday (Ute)</b> 7pm	<b>7 Good Friday</b> Services 7pm Elder: Ryan Paulsen Lay Reader Ryan Paulsen	<b>1</b> <b>8</b>
<b>9 The Resurrection of Our Lord</b> Sun. 8 a.m. w/ HC Uber: Kay Johnson Elder: Joe Hogan Reader: Joe Hogan Screens: Dennis Muckey Sun. Sch. & Bible Cl. after services	<b>10</b>	11 Rev. N. Peitsch in office 12N to 3:30 pm Uber: Sue Kruse Rev. N. Peitsch in office 12N am to 3:30 pm	<b>12</b> Helping Hands 1 pm to 4 pm Confirmation classes in Ute 4:30-6pm	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16 2nd</b> Sun. of Easter services w/ HC 8 a.m. Uber: Kay Johnson Elder: Ryan Paulsen Reader: Ryan Paulsen Screens: Joe Hogan Sun. Sch. & Bible Cl. after services	<b>17</b>	18 Rev. N. Peitsch in office 8:30 am to 3:30 pm Uber: Rita Lafrentz In the Word 10 am Uber for the Board of Elders 7 pm (Mark Witzel)	<b>19</b> Helping Hands 1 pm to 4 pm Confirmation classes in Ute 4:30-6pm	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23 3rd</b> Sun. of Easter services 8 a.m. Uber: Sue Krusen Elder: Duane Hamann Reader: Karen Kueny Screens: Mark Witzel Sun. Sch. & Bible Cl. after services	<b>24</b>	25 Rev. N. Peitsch in office 8:30 am to 3:30 pm Uber: Janeal Holmes Board of Directors 7pm Uber: Mark Witzel	<b>26</b> Helping Hands 1 pm to 4 pm Confirmation classes in Ute 4:30-6pm	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30 4th</b> Sun. of Easter services 8 a.m. Uber: Alan Dale Elder: Mark Witzel Reader: Mark Witzel Screens: Joe Hogan Sun. Sch. & Bible Cl. after services						

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is **VOTERS MEETING**



*The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective."*



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Nazaria Kaderabek	Myrna Gosch	Selma Schrader	Marlene Phillip
Mavis Skow	Fred Fletcher	Mike Wood	Leo Dose
Freda Means	Roberta Conyers		

Family / Friends of Members with Special Needs and Concerns

**Ron Kraffle** (friend of Marla & Joe Hogan); **Jazmin Mauch**, (granddaughter of Marla and Joe Hogan); **Pam Clausen**, (daughter of the late Fern Jacobsen); **Sharon Kuehl Henning** (niece of Judy & Gary Kuehl); **Beth Weber**, cousin of Dean and Ramona Weber; **Randy Colshan**, (friend of Marla & Joe Hogan); **Suzie Jacapello**, (sister of Nazaria Kaderabek); **Scott Pierce**, (friends of the Hamann's); **Tim Sanderson** friend of Dennis Muckey; **Morgan Bailey** (new born baby of Sharell and Dillon Bailey, neighbors of Kay Johnson, born weighing only 2-lb 10-oz on a respiratory in Omaha.) **Jerri Haindfield** (Marilyn and Duane Hamann's daughter.)

Military

**Ryan Trucke** serving with U.S. Air Force at FE Warren AFB in Wyoming son of Beth & Ed Trucke, Grandson of Kay and Richard Johnson)

**Jackie Cardwell** serving U.S. Airforce at 17728 Margo S. Omaha, NE 68136 (niece of Jeff & Karen Krusen)

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In His Footsteps: God is holding our hand and He keeps us safe in His care and there is no need for seeing.

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Lord, I thank you for all the assurance that your mercy is great enough to cover all my past mistakes. And today I will reflect on the many times that the fear of death has cast a shadow over my life, but I will not stop here. I will also reflect on the way you have been close to me even in the darkest night. I will place my hope in you. Amen ✝