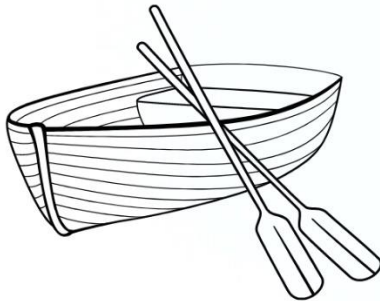


MATTHEW 14:22-33

# COMMIT TO FAITH



MATTHEW 14:33  
AND THOSE IN THE BOAT  
WORSHIPED HIM, SAYING,  
"TRULY YOU ARE THE SON OF GOD."



PO Box 427 - 500 S Penn Ave

**Pastor Dave Martin**

2 Easter, 2024

9:30 AM Worship – 10:45 AM Sunday School

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## *God Gathers His People to Worship*

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Song **“Jesus Shall Reign”**

**LBW 530**

Prayer of Confession

P: Let us now humbly come before God and confess our sin.

**P & C: Almighty God, Your Son Jesus proclaimed that He is the Way, the Truth and the Life. However, we have tried to follow other ways and forsaken you. We have worshiped other gods and attempted to find our own way to You. Instead of following the way of love, we have followed the way of anger and violence. Please forgive us for the sake of Jesus, our Savior.**

P: God's promise is sure and certain. If we confess our sin God will forgive us for Jesus' sake. May the Holy Spirit empower us to follow the Way of Jesus.

**C: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## *God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word*

Scripture Lessons:

Psalm 73:23-26, 28

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Romans 1:16-17

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Children's Sermon

Song **“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”**

**GHF 397**

Sermon Text: Matthew 14:22-33

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Sermon **“Commit to Faith”**

**Jeff Engebretson**

## *Give Thanks to God*

Song **“O Jesus I Have Promised”**

**GHF 392**

Nicene Creed

Offering

Offertory

God is so good, God is so good,  
God is so good, He's so good to me.

Prayers of the Church

## *Celebration of Holy Communion*

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Distribution

Communion Blessing

## *God Calls us to Serve*

Song "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

**LBW 259**

Benediction

## *Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve*

**Thank you** for joining us this Sunday morning to worship with us today!  
We hope you were blessed and felt the love of God this morning.

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**March 31 General Offering:** \$4346.00 **Attendance:** 151

**Greeters** April 7—Todd & Shawna Strand

April 14—Steve & Liz Spawn

April 21—LeRoy & Stacy Severson

April 28—Kevin & Tara Severson

**Ushers** April 7 & 14—Lee DeHaan & Spencer DeHaan

April 21 & 28—Mike Erickson & Dan Daum

**Communion Servers** Mike Gilbertz, Scott Vanden Berge, Carey Hoffman

**Coffee Cookie Servers**

April 7—Stacy Severson, Liz Spawn, Tonya Standy

April 14—Shawna Strand, Meredith Suits, Sheila Summerville

April 21—Marla Tegethoff, Sarah Timmerman, Laura Vanden Berge

April 28—Emily VandenHoek, Sue Vanderboom,  
& Joyce VanderHam

**Thank you to Jeff Engebretson** for giving us our message while Pastor Dave is at the Alpha Retreat at New Hope.

**Today we will be celebrating Holy Communion.**

Visitors are welcome to share with us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, given and shed for us, for the forgiveness of sins.

**On Monday April 8, we will be putting quilts together for our Sleep in Heavenly Peace project.** We have some more tops sewed so will have a busy day starting at 10AM. Come when you can and leave when you must. We will certainly appreciate your help. You do not need to be able to sew but if you can tie a knot or thread a needle you can help. **Please bring your own scissors.** If you can sew though bring your sewing machine as we have to put binding on all the quilts. A noon luncheon will be provided.

**Monday, April 8 from 1:00-2:15 PM,** we will continue a Bible Study on the book of John. Following an opening prayer, we will start each session by watching one chapter of the book of John on the Visual Bible. There is something powerful about hearing God's Word and seeing it walked out on the television screen before us. After watching the video, we will read through the chapter and discuss it.

**Martha Bible Study Group** meets on Tuesday, April 9 at 7 PM in the fireside fellowship room for Lesson 3 – "Uphill Glory."

**First Communion classes** continue on Wednesday, April 10 at 3:45 PM in Classroom 9. We will also have classes on Wednesdays, April 17 and 24 from 3:45 PM to 5:15 PM. Students, bring your *Faith Alive Bibles*. A light snack will be served. Students will celebrate their **First Communion on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at our regular morning worship service.**

Weekly Men's breakfast and Bible study is **Saturday, April 13 at 7 AM** in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast and then in the Fireside Room to watch the video, break into small groups, discuss the video, and pray with and for one another.

We will have our **annual church cleaning Sunday, April 21 through Saturday, April 27.** Many hands make light work. You will be contacted soon where you what area you will be responsible for. Thank you!

**Backpack Project for Helping Hands Food Pantry:**

The food pantry committee is trying to fill backpacks of groceries to send home with students. Some of these items would include non-perishable foods or any items that children would like. A tote will be in the fellowship hall so let's fill it up several times.

**Dakota Jubilee Home Concert**—The 22 men of Dakota Jubilee will provide an evening of Christian and patriotic music on Sunday, April 7th, at the Corsica Christian Reformed Church at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome! A free-will offering will be accepted.

**Vine's Table: Sat, April 13** Menu: Hearty Soups & Cinnamon Rolls. Signup sheet is in Platte CRC foyer or call Norma at 680-1691 to RSVP.

**Women's Retreat at New Hope:** Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> -Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at New Hope Christian Camp in Platte, SD the Women of Hope present "Come As You Are." A weekend that will quip you to fight chaos with countercultural practices of simplicity, prayer, and community. Our guest speaker will be Chelsey (Munneke) Nugteren. You can register online at [www.newhopechristiancamp.org](http://www.newhopechristiancamp.org) or email [newhope@midstatesd.net](mailto:newhope@midstatesd.net) or call 605-337-3146. Please check the church bulletin board for more information.

## *Prayer Praises and Concerns*

### **Those in nursing and assisted living homes or home-bound:**

Mary Lee Erickson, Ruth Gruenig, Laura Johnson, Richard Johnson, Arnie Larson, Caroline Peterson

### **Please pray for:**

- Please continue to pray for Sue Qualm Davis and her husband, Denny. Sue is now in Encompass, a rehab center in Sioux Falls. Praise God her infection appears to be improving. Please pray it would clear completely so she could receive her hip replacement. Pray for her cracked kneecap on her “good” leg to heal quickly, for her pain to diminish, and for her to soon be on the road to full recovery. Pray Sue, Denny, & their entire family would feel the Lord’s touch in all of this.
- Please pray for Laura Johnson’s son-in-law, Tom Espland, who was diagnosed with pulmonary fibrosis. He has lost a lot of weight, is on oxygen, and has scarring of his lungs. His prognosis is not good. Let’s pray boldly that our Great Physician, Jesus Christ, would do a miracle in Tom’s life, restoring health & elasticity to his lungs. Pray Tom, his wife, Mary, & all their loved ones would know the Lord’s peace that surpasses all understanding in this trial.
- Praise God Richard “Dick” Johnson’s first week in hospice care in White Lake has gone well. Please pray he would continue to do well there, would know the Lord’s close-abiding love and presence, and would have complete confidence in the saving grace of Jesus Christ. Pray he and all his loved ones would know the Lord’s peace that surpasses all understanding.
- Please keep Joel & Pam Olson in your prayers. Pray especially for the Lord to stabilize his blood pressure and to take away the pain in his back and legs. Please pray for them to have an extended season of good health and well-being and for them to feel the Lord’s hand of healing, love, peace, & joy upon them.
- Praise God Ken Mason continues to improve and is doing well living independently. Please pray for his strength and energy levels to increase, for his physical therapy to go well, and for him to be able to sleep restfully at night. Pray for Ken & his loved ones to know the Lord’s hand of love, comfort, strength, & peace in this trial.
- Praise God Mike Erickson’s cancer continues to shrink, and his rash has improved. Please pray for the last of the rash and the itchiness to clear up quickly. Pray for good restful sleep, a good appetite & proper digestion of his food. Pray he would know the Lord’s love, comfort, peace, and strength throughout this trial.

- Praise God Mary Beth & Larry Kuiper's daughter-in-law, Erica, continues to do well & to feel good. She is now over halfway through her chemo treatment. Pray especially against fatigue and loss of energy. Pray for Erica, Mike, & their entire family to feel the Lord's powerful presence, strength, and comfort throughout.
- Praise God Jeanne Kott continues to improve. Please pray for the Lord to bring healing to her sciatica and for her pain to diminish dramatically. Pray also for her sleep to be more restful, and for Jeanne & Dave to feel the Lord's close-abiding healing, comfort, presence, and love in all they do.
- Please keep Peggy Martin's sister & Pr. Dave's sister-in-law, Blanche Vann Orsdel, in your prayers. She had hip replacement surgery April 3rd, and everything went well. Please pray for God's hand of healing, provision, protection, and comfort to be upon her, and for her and her husband, Allen, and all their loved ones to know the Lord's peace that surpasses all understanding throughout her recovery.
- Please keep Alison Dykstra's sister, Julie Pepper, her husband, Matt, and their extended family in your prayers. Her latest biopsy was inconclusive due to an insufficient sample size. Pray her next biopsy will yield the results they are looking for. Please pray against lack of appetite and weight loss and pray for reduction of pain and increase in her red blood cell count. Pray Julie and all her loved ones would feel the Lord's close-abiding love, comfort, peace, and joy.
- Praise God Jerry Dykstra's brother-in-law, Rod Berg, just received a very good report. He had a clear scan with no sign of lesions on his brain. Please pray for his continued health and well-being.
- Please continue to pray for Dan Daum's brother, Jim. The ablation surgeries he had recently have done little to diminish his back pain. Please pray for the Lord to sovereignly heal him and give him a new lease on life. Pray he would feel God's hand upon him throughout his recovery and would experience the Lord's love, peace, and joy in a powerful way.
- Please continue to pray for Pastor Mike De Jager of the First Reformed Church in Platte. His last check-up came with an encouraging report. His numbers improved and doctors are optimistic for his future treatments. Please pray he and his loved ones know the Lord's peace & presence throughout this trial.
- Please pray for Calvary Baptist Church in their search to find a Senior Pastor. Pray the Lord would make clear to them the person He has ordained for this job. Pray for Pastor Dave Anderson and his wife, Tricia, to be blessed in their move to Juneau, Alaska.
- Please pray for First Reformed Church in their search for an Associate Pastor to share the workload with Pr. Mike. Pray they would find the Lord's choice and would find him soon.