

April 11, 2024

Dear Congregation,

What a week. Many of you are aware that our second oldest son was hit by a truck while crossing the street in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. It happened this last Sunday evening. You who are parents understand the emotions that flood you when you get that phone call. It is during these difficult times that our faith is challenged, and God's blessings can be obscured. But God is able to bring good in all situations.

**Romans 8:28** And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

That thought crossed my mind as I tried to find comfort that long Sunday evening and Monday morning. Peter had friends stay with him Sunday night as they performed initial tests, and we arrived first thing Monday morning. As many of you heard, he had multiple breaks in both legs, a fractured vertebra, and fractured fingers (among a few other things).

As it turns out, the surgery went well, and he will be rehabbing with a walker, so he won't be totally immobilized for several weeks. Praise God. He will have to wear a neck brace for several months, and he will be setting off metal detectors in the future with all the metal in his legs, but we feel very blessed to still have him around. And through the hospital's help he might be able to find some healthcare that was very difficult to obtain on his own. We thank God for His many blessings in disguise.

Thanks again for your prayers. May you continue to pray for healing, pain management, and patience as he goes through the rehab process and gets his life back on track.

In Jesus' Name, Pastor Ted