

Faith Statement by Cole Rosenow

So for my faith statement, the Bible verse that spoke to me was Psalm 56:9: "This I know, God is on my side". This one stood out to me the most because it just shows that no matter what happens in my life, I can always count on God being there for me. Right now, as I go through high school there have been a lot of new things and a lot of changes – some good and some bad. There are many choices that I have never had to deal with. When I was little, life was much easier as I had my parents to provide guidance and support for me, but now being a teenager, it is so much different. Pressure and temptations are put before me on a daily basis. But during those times, I know that God is always on my side and I can count on him. And when the situation is bad that's where my faith really shines through and I can always look to God to help me make the right decision in a tough time. I always know God is with me.

My faith journey started when I was young. My parents always took me to Sunday School and always went to church and prayed at the dinner table. At that young of an age I never really understood what was going on, all I knew is that I had to go to church and Sunday School and God was a pretty important person. Around 5th grade my family decided to switch churches to St. Peter's and I feel switching churches really helped to expand my faith. The first day I attended St. Peter's I knew that it was different from my old church, but in a good way. I loved hearing Tom's stories or listening to Kay's lessons and I knew this is where I wanted to be. Now as I am completing my confirmation, it truly leaves me in awe of everything that God has done for me such as having his only son die for my sins. In confirmation classes, whether we were studying the Ten Commandments or the Apostles Creed I always felt that our discussions in class were relevant to situations that I have gone through or maybe have not gone through. Yet knowing there are many things that I have not experienced, I have to remember "God is on my side" in good times and bad times. I know there are many things that I have not experienced yet in life and I don't know how I will react, but if I remember "God is on my side" he will help me through no matter how hard the situation may be.

Overall, I know that my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will always be there for me. In the end, no matter where I am. I have nothing to fear knowing that He is with me. I don't know what God has in plan for me and I know there will be many times in my life when I will stumble and question my faith, but if I remember my faith statement, "this I know, God is on my side" what more do I need? Thank you for your time and I can't wait to see where my faith takes me.