PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 27, 2025, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Pastor Christian Magnell

PRELUDE

CELEBRATION SINGERS

"Majesty"

WELCOME AND GREETING

HYMN

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Good morning, Lord. Thank you for a new day to live for you and others!

Thank you for the gift of life and faith.

We desire to live for you but so often do the opposite.

We say one thing and then do the other.

We ask for your guidance, Holy Spirit, to examine our lives. *(time for reflection)* Let's pray together:

We know we sin every day. Sometimes we know it; other times, we're even unaware of our actions. We know that we've sinned with our thoughts, our words, and our actions. We ask for forgiveness in the name of Jesus, and pray that we would be transformed, every day, to live for you.

Friends, hear the Good <u>News:</u> in Jesus we have been forgiven. Our sins are not held against us, and the Holy Spirit will conform us to God's will and His ways.

Thanks be to God!

SHARING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S SERMON

"The Faith Workout"

BAPTISM (10:30)

River Lee Virgil Gossel

HYMN

"Trust in You"

READING: Hosea 6:1-6

Knowing God – and putting your faith in him – is far more important than our offerings or good works.

¹"Come, let us return to the Lord; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. ²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³Let us

know; let us press on to know the Lord; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth." ⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah?

Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes early away. ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment

goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:1-3 *Here is a simple way of understanding faith:*

¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²For by it the people of old received their commendation. ³By faith we understand that

the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION God is good. All the time.

GOSPEL READING: John 5:19-24

Faith in God's Word in Christ brings eternal life – beginning now.

¹⁹So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise. ²⁰For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing. And greater works than these will he show him, so that you may marvel. ²¹For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will.

²²For the Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son, ²³that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him. ²⁴Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION All the time.

God is good!

HYMN "This I Believe"

SERMON - "This I Believe"

PRAYER AT RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION
THE LORD'S PRAYER
MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION
PRAYER & BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

And now may the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace!

Amen!

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Let's go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Sermon Notes – April 27th, 2025 "This I Believe" God _____ is different than putting your ____ in God. Like seeing a frozen lake versus driving on it. Faith is placing trust in God. Faith is a _____, ___ in all areas of our lives through the word and the sacraments. Faith gives _____, AND changes how we _____ today. Romans 12:1-2