PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

June 29, 2025, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Pastor Christian Magnell

WELCOME AND GREETING

HYMN "Blessed Assurance"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The Lord is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of our lives of whom shall we be afraid?

Lord God, we come this morning to seek you and hear from you.

Do not hide your face and your presence from us.

Hear, O Lord, when we cry aloud;

Be gracious to us and answer!

We wait upon the Lord and we reflect on our lives. (time for reflection)

Let's pray together:

Father God, thank you for leading and guiding us in worship. We confess that we fall short, that we've sinned against you and others. We ask, Lord, that you'd forgive us and renew us that we might dwell in your presence and stand alongside the righteous. Make us your instruments to live and serve the world through us.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins!

Thanks be to God!

SHARING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S SERMON

BAPTISM (10:30) Miley June Moening

HYMN "Jesus Messiah"

READING: Psalm 27

It's easy to be confident when things are going well. What about confidence when you're surrounded by trouble?

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? 2 When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall. 3 Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise

against me, yet I will be confident. 4 One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple. 5 For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of

his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock. 6
And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord. 7 Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me! 8 You have said, "Seek my face." My heart says to you, "Your face, Lord, do I seek." 9 Hide not your face from me. Turn not your servant away in anger, O you who have been my help. Cast me not off; forsake HYMN "This Is Our God"

me not, O God of my salvation! 10 For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the Lord will take me in. 11 Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies. 12 Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence. 13 I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living! 14 Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

SERMON – Summer in the Psalms – Psalm 27

PRAYER AT RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC "The Table"

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!

CLOSING SONG "Hold Us Together"

DISMISSAL

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

Thanks be to God!

Psalm 27 – Devotional Thought:

When I was in 8th grade, we moved from Minnesota to California. The drive out there was incredible – scenery I was blessed to see. But driving in the mountains as we headed from Flagstaff down to Phoenix, and then later on Highway 73 in California, made me a bit nervous. I didn't like looking at the huge drops and imagining us careening off!

Once I got my license, I would drive up to Big Bear to go skiing most weekends during the winter. It wasn't a long drive to get up and ski in the mountains. Some of the roads were as perilous looking as the ones that made me so anxious. I soon realized it wasn't the height which scared me – it was the lack of control. I didn't mind the heights as long as I was the one taking the turns.

This is true of much of life. We fear what we don't control. And we control very little, if we're honest about it. Psalm 27 is all about putting trust and hope in God in the midst of trials and tribulations. Take some time to consider your own struggles and how you might turn them over to God.