

# PEOPLE OF THE PASSION

## Caiaphas, the Schemer

**Opening Hymn: 129** “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”

*STAND*

**M:** O Lord, open my lips.

**C:** And my mouth shall declare your praise.

**M:** Hasten to save me, O God.

**C:** O Lord, come quickly to help me.

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

**M:** Lord God, you have brought us safely to this hour of evening prayer. We thank you for providing all that we need for body and life. Bless us who have gathered in your name. Forgive our sins. Speak to our hearts. Dispel our sorrows with the comfort of your Word, and receive our hymns of thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ, our living Savior, who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

**Psalm 27** (Responsive reading of selected verses)

**M:** The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear?

**C:** The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?

**M:** When evil men advance against me to devour my flesh,

**C:** when my enemies and my foes attack me, they will stumble and fall.

**M:** One thing I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek:

**C:** 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 seek him in his temple.

**M:** For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling;

**C:** He will hide me in the shelter of his tabernacle and set me high upon a rock.

**M:** Hear my voice when I call, O LORD;

**C:** Be merciful to me and answer me.

**M:** My heart says of you, “Seek his face!”

**C:** Your face, LORD, I will seek.

**M:** Do not hide your face from me,

**C:** do not turn your servant away in anger;

**M:** You have been my helper.

**C:** Do not reject me or forsake me, O God my Savior.

**M:** I am still confident of this:

**C:** I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

**M:** Wait for the LORD;

**C:** Be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD.

**All:** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**Psalm Prayer**

**M:** Gracious Father, you have been the light and salvation of your people in every age. Bring us, we pray, through the troubles of this present life, that we may see your goodness in eternity, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** Amen.

*BE SEATED*

**Upper Grades:** “*You Are My All in All*”

**Passion History Reading (Part 5)**

**Seasonal Response:** All we like sheep have gone astray, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. By his wounds we are healed.

**Sermon Hymn:** 117 v.1-5 “O Dearest Jesus”

**Sermon Text:** John 11:47-53 (Bible p. 1618)

**Sermon Theme:** “*Caiaphas, the Schemer*”

**Hymn:** 120 “What Wondrous Love Is This”

## **Offering**

*STAND*

## **Prayers**

### **Lord's Prayer**

#### **Prayer for Peace**

**M:** Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

#### **Blessing**

**M:** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: Amen.**

**Closing Hymn: 593** “Now the Light Has Gone Away”

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