Guided Prayer Wednesday, April 7

We invite you to join the rest of our church family in spending 30 minutes in prayer today. Here is a simple suggested outline for your prayer time.

1. Scripture reflection (5 minutes)

Slowly read through Psalm 27. Take a moment to consider a phrase or idea that stands out to you.

2. Personal Prayer (5 minutes)

David begins this Psalm by remembering who God is: "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?" Sounds simple, yet there is such wisdom packed into starting with remembering who God is. What is it about who God is that you most need to rehearse, remember and rest in today? Take a moment to consider that and praise him for it.

3. Prayers of Petition (20 minutes)

In verses 2 & 3, David describes some of the trouble he perceives in his life (evil men, enemies/foes, an army, war). As you consider the 'enemies' of the people God puts on your heart, what are those enemies? What might they feel is against them? What is opposing the progress or fruitfulness in these people's lives? Let's pray for these people and their situations that God would give them the strength and faith to withstand the opposition they face.

Consider David's singular focus in verse 4... David's "one thing" is this: continual abiding in God's beautiful, wise and holy presence. This is what he's seeking. In the face of whatever may be troubling our people, let's pray that they might abide in God, behold his beauty and seek him to worship.

David's encouragement and invitation to us in verse 14 is to "wait for the Lord". What are some ways our people might need to wait for the Lord in their lives? Bring those things before the Lord in prayer.