

Gethsemane Moments



When Our Friends Desert Us

Welcome to Zumbro Lutheran Church

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 18, 2020

Our Wednesday Lenten sermon series is

Gethsemane Moments

This Lent, our sermon series will be Gethsemane Moments. We'll be taking a deeper look at the time Jesus spends in the Garden of Gethsemane on the night of his betrayal. A few of the themes we'll be covering are: "When Jesus Invites Us to Gethsemane," "When Our Friends Desert Us," and "When Our Prayers Go Unanswered."

In today's reading, Jesus is in Gethsemane with Peter, James, and John - his closest disciples.

He has asked them to watch and pray with him, and to stay awake in the process. They promptly fall asleep. To Jesus, it probably feels like they've abandoned him. And he's on his own.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

SONG

OPEN UNTO ME

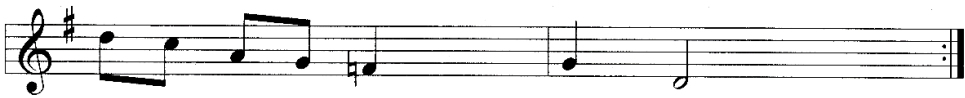
RICHARD BRUXVOORT COLLIGAN



O - pen un - to me light for my dark-ness. Light for my dark - ness
O - pen un - to me strength for my weak-ness. Strength for my weak - ness
O - pen un - to me peace for my tur -moil. Peace for my tur -moil



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PRAYER

SCRIPTURE SONG

HIDDEN WITH CHRIST

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Refrain



Hid - den with Christ, hid - den with Christ, all of us deep with - in God's heart.

*end here
last time*



Hid - den with Christ, hid - den with Christ, all of us deep with - in God's heart.



We are the wit - nes - ses of gos - pel pos - si - bil - it - y,
Called from our wan - der - ing, and claimed — with our his - tor - y,



lov - ing the world, liv - ing in mys - ter - y.
voice of our home, whis - per of mys - ter - y.

BIBLE READING

MARK 14:37-41 NRSV

³⁷Then Jesus returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. “Simon,” he said to Peter, “are you asleep? Couldn’t you keep watch for one hour? ³⁸Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

³⁹Once more he went away and prayed the same thing. ⁴⁰When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him.

⁴¹Returning the third time, he said to them, “Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners.”

MESSAGE

WHEN OUR FRIENDS DESERT US

PASTOR SHELLEY CUNNINGHAM

PRAYER TIME

consider lighting a candle as you pray

LORD’S PRAYER

L: Lord, remember us when you come into your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

L: Now is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation. Holy God, speaking, spoken, and inspiring, ☩ bless you, unbind you, and send you in love and in peace.

C: Amen.



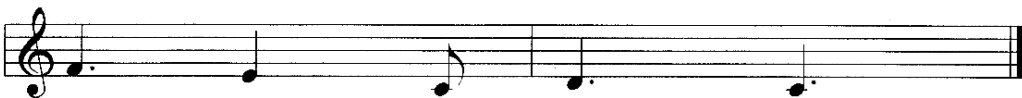
God, be the love to search and keep me;
 Bind to my - self the Name of Ho - ly,
 Bright - ness of sun and glow of moon - light,
 Walk - ing be - hind to hem my jour - ney,
 Christ in the eyes of all who see me,



God, be the prayer to move my voice; God, be the strength to
 great cloud of wit - nes - ses en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles,
 flash - ing of light - ning, strength of wind, depth of the sea to
 go - ing a - head to light my way, and from be - neath, a -
 Christ in the ears that hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of



now up - hold me. O Christ, sur - round me,
 an - gels wit - ness. O Christ, sur - round me,
 soil of plan - et: O Christ, sur - round me,
 bove and all ways, O Christ, sur - round me,
 all who know me: O Christ, sur - round me,



O Christ sur - round me.
 O Christ sur - round me.
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SENDING MUSIC

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

PROCLAIMER-Pastor Shelley Cunningham; **PIANO**-Kristy Giere; **SONGLEADER**-Pastor Jason Bryan-Wegner, Janette Reeves

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WEDNESDAYS DURING LENT

We'll be spending our Wednesdays during Lent reflecting on faith challenges. We're calling our series "Gethsemane Moments." As with any powerful moments, there will be opportunities for us to think more deeply and to learn things about ourselves. As you may know, Jesus' time in Gethsemane was deeply honest and agonizing. As we re-live those moments, we'll wrestle with challenging aspects of faith:

WHEN OUR PRAYERS GO UNANSWERED

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 25 | 12pm and 6:15pm | Mark 14:32-36

Pastor Vern Christopherson

WHEN WE FEEL THE STING OF BETRAYAL

WEDNESDAY, APR. 1 | 12pm and 6:15pm | Mark 14:41b-50

Pastor Jason Bryan-Wegner

The liturgy used during Sunday and Wednesday worship will include music from *Hidden With Christ*, composed by Richard Bruxvoort Colligan. This setting is based on Colossians 2:12-13; 3:1-3.





Our journey of faith leads us to build bridges of understanding and peace, to reach out with compassion, and to share the hope of Jesus.

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