



**This Week's Big Idea:**  
**Is Love Actually All We Need?**

# Welcome to Zumbro Lutheran Church

SUNDAY, MAR. 22, 2020

Our current sermon series is

## “Hard Questions On the Way”

In Mark 8:27 Jesus and the disciples begin the journey to Jerusalem. We hear over and over that they are “on the way.” The disciples soon discover there are many things to learn while on the journey. A number of hard questions will arise.

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

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. O - pen un - to me light for my dark - ness.

O - pen un - to me, O God.

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

### Invitation to confession

L: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your resurrection life. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits.**

L: Receive good news: God turns to you in love. "I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live," says our God. All your sin is forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ, who is the free and abounding gift of God's grace for you.

**C: Amen.**



O - pen un - to me peace for my tur - moil. Peace for my tur - moil

o - pen un - to me. O - pen un - to me peace for my tur - moil.

O - pen un - to me, O God.

### GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

KYRIE

O TENDER GOD, HAVE MERCY

RICHARD BRUXVOORT COLLIGAN

*sing twice*



O ten - der God, have mer - cy, for you are for us.



O liv - ing Christ, have mer - cy, for you will heal us.



O ten - der God, have mer - cy, for you are for us,



for you are for us.

LENTEN SONG

HIDDEN WITH CHRIST

RICHARD BRUXVOORT COLLIGAN



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



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

*end here  
last time*



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.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

### BIBLE READING

MARK 12:28-34 NRSV

<sup>28</sup> One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, “Which commandment is the first of all?” <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered, “The first is, ‘Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; <sup>30</sup> you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ <sup>31</sup> The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” <sup>32</sup> Then the scribe said to him, “You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that ‘he is one, and besides him there is no other’; <sup>33</sup> and ‘to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,’ and ‘to love one’s neighbor as oneself,’—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.” <sup>34</sup> When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” After that no one dared to ask him any question.

L: The Gospel of our Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

SOLO

### WHEN I’M AFFLICTED, POOR, AND LOW

WILLIAM BRADLEY ROBERT

When I’m afflicted, poor, and low, and light and peace depart,  
my God beholds my heavy woe, and bears me on his heart.  
I waited patient for the Lord, he bowed to hear my cry;  
He saw me resting on his word, and brought salvation nigh.

He raised me from a horrid pit, where mourning long I lay,  
and from my bonds released my feet, deep bonds of miry clay.  
Firm on a rock he made me stand, and taught my cheerful tongue  
to praise the wonders of his hand, in a new thankful song.

How many are thy thoughts of love! Thy mercies, Lord, how great!  
We have not words nor hours enough, their numbers to repeat.  
When I’m afflicted, poor, and low, and light and peace depart,  
my God beholds my heavy woe, and bears me on his heart.

SERMON

### IS LOVE ACTUALLY ALL WE NEED?

PASTOR SHELLEY CUNNINGHAM



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What  
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when  
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to



won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this  
 I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when I was sink - ing down  
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,



that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my  
 be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my  
 who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will



soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?  
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.  
 sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*After each petition the congregation responds:*

L: Lord, in your mercy

**C: Hear our prayer.**

L: According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

#### 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

### GO, MY CHILDREN, WITH MY BLESSING

“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
In my love’s baptismal river  
I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”

“Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Here you heard my dear Son’s story,  
here you touched him, saw his glory.  
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”

## OUR MISSION

L: People of Zumbro, what is our mission?

C: **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. Thanks be to God.**

## SONG

### O CHRIST, SURROUND ME

RICHARD BRUXVOORT COLLIGAN



God, be the love to search and keep me;  
Bind to my - self the Name of Ho - ly,  
Bright - ness of sun and glow - 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.

## SENDING MUSIC

## WORSHIP LEADERS

**PROCLAIMER**-Shelley Cunningham; **WORSHIP LEADER**-Vern Christopherson; **ORGANIST**-Kristy Giere;  
**MUSICIANS**-Ralph Schornack, piano; Kristy Giere, flute; Bob Giere, guitar; Jason Bryan-Wegner and Janette Reeves, songleaders

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