



# Gifts from the dark: getting lost

*It is a surprising and memorable, as well as valuable experience, to be lost in the woods... Not till we are lost, in other words, not till we have lost the world, do we begin to find ourselves, and realize where we are.*

--Henry David Thoreau, Walden

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
March 26, 2017 ♦ 10:45 a.m.  
Traditions♦Sanctuary  
Fourth Sunday of Lent



WAYZATA COMMUNITY CHURCH  
inspire the world

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March 26, 2017 ♦ 10:45 a.m. Sanctuary

PRELUDE

Prelude & Fugue in D Major BWV 532  
Kraig Windschitl, Organ

Johann Sebastian Bach

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT

*Miserere Mei* (Psalm 51:1-2)  
Chancel Choir Section Leaders

Antonio Lotti

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Rustin Comer

+ PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*He Comes to Us as One Unknown* Timothy Dudley Smith/Repton

He comes to us as one unknown, a breath unseen, unheard;  
As though within a heart of stone, or shriveled seed in darkness sown,  
A pulse of being stirred, a pulse of being stirred.

He come when souls in silence lie, and thoughts of day depart;  
Half seen upon the inward eye, a falling star across the sky  
Of night within the heart, of night within the heart.

He comes to us in sound of seas, the ocean's fume and foam;  
Yet still and small upon the breeze, a wind that stirs the tops of trees,  
A voice to call us home, a voice to call us home.

He comes in truth when faith is grown; believed, obeyed, adored;  
The Christ in all the scriptures shown, as yet unseen, but not unknown,  
Our Savior and our Lord, our Savior and our Lord.

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+ RESPONSIVE PRAYER FOR LENT

Hilary Flynn

Leader: For plunging ahead without listening to You,

**People:** **Forgive and restore us, O God.**

Leader: For not recognizing Your still small voice within us,

**People:** **Forgive and restore us, O God.**

Leader: For forgetting to ask for assurance—your greatest gift,

**People:** **Forgive and restore us, O God.**

+ SUNG RESPONSE

*Kyrie*

Choir: Lord have mercy.

**People: Lord have mercy.**

Choir: Christ have mercy.

**People: Christ have mercy.**

Choir: Lord have mercy upon us.

**People: Lord have mercy upon us.**

+ ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Hilary Flynn

Leader: Hear these words of assurance: Lost is not lost to God.

You are not lost to God. God is with us, forgiving and restoring us to wholeheartedness.

**People: Thanks be to God! Amen!**

+ GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

+ PASSING OF THE PEACE

Hilary Flynn

COMMUNITY MOMENTS

Rustin Comer

CALL TO OUR CHILDREN & YOUTH

Jodie Nyberg & Christa Workmon

HYMN OF DEVOTION

*Here I Am, Lord*

Daniel Schutte

"I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry,

All who dwell in darkest night, my hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Who shall I send?"

(Refrain) Here I am, Lord! Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart."

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OFFERTORY

*Ave Maria*

Johann Sebastian Bach

Marissa Eckberg, Viola

Charles Gounod

+ DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

+ DEDICATION OF GIFTS

Hilary Flynn

Leader: Please remain standing and join together in dedication these gifts.

**All: O God of all generosity, help us to realize the blessing we have been given, in being able to give. Accept our lives as well as our gifts. Let the spirit in which we give them be Your spirit. Let the use that is made of them be Your use. Amen.** (Please be seated)

SCRIPTURE

Luke15, Select Passages

Marilyn Simmons

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

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**All: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Gifts from the Dark: *GETTING LOST*

Leslie Neugent

ANTHEM

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*  
Chancel Choir Section Leaders

American Spiritual  
arr. Raymond Haan

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

Rustin Comer

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

+ CLOSING HYMN

*Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

New Britain, Red #401

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me;  
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed.

My God has promised good to me, his word my hope secures;  
God will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise, than when we'd first begun.

+ BENEDICTION

Leslie Neugent

Leader: For what does the Lord require of us?

**All: To do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.** (Micah 6:8)

## HOLY COMMUNION

Everyone is invited to the table that is set for us by Jesus Christ. Following the service, all who wish to receive communion come forward by the center aisle and go to the transept on either side of the chancel for the bread and cup. Exit by way of a side aisle.

POSTLUDE

*There in God's Garden*

Shades Tree

Marissa Eckberg, Viola

arr. Anna Krentz Organ

+ Please rise in body or in spirit.

...The End of Worship, the Beginning of Service...



The Chancel Flowers are given in loving memory of Joanne Knutson  
by Michael & Valerie Hoffman & by Gillian Jeffy-Anderson  
in loving memory of her mother, Maureen Hall Jeffy on her birthday.



## WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher	Rev. Leslie Neugent	Liturgists	Rev. Rustin Comer, Hilary Flynn (Seminary Intern)
Deacon	Kathleen Palmer	Music	Thomas Paulson, Kraig Windschitl
		Chancel Guild	Sandy Werts
		Ushers	Jake Beard, Peggy Douglas & Woolery Team