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preparing our hearts....

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Suffering Lord, who with dreadful agony bore the pain of your Passion in the garden and resolved to follow the path to the death of the cross, uphold us by Your will that we may not lose heart in the face of trial and suffering. But may cling firmly to Your heavenly Father; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Preservice Hymn to read for Meditation LSB731

“O God, Forsake Me Not”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

“Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray” **LSB 663**

SERVICE OF LIGHT p. 243

Stand

L Now is the time of God’s favor;

C **now is the day of salvation.**

L Turn us again, O God of our salvation,

C **that the light of your face may shine on us.**

L May Your justice shine like the sun;

C **and may the poor be lifted up.**

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LESSONS

A reading from Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

A reading from Psalm 119:105
Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

L A reading from Mark, 14:32-42
32 And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples, “Sit here while I pray.” 33 And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled. 34 And he said to them, “My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch.” 35 And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. 36 And he said, “Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will.” 37 And he came and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, “Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour? 38 Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.” 39 And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. 40 And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy, and they did not know what to answer him. 41 And he came the third time and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. 42 Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand.”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

L In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

C But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

OFFICE HYMN

Jesus, Grant That Balm and HealingLSB 421, vv. 1-4

SERMON by Pastor Brandt
“Seeing in the Dark”

SERMON THOUGHT PROGRESSION
Flashlights can both reveal and hide
Gethsemane was a dark place for the Disciples

Even more so for Jesus

Darkness in our lives due to using a flashlight of human making
Proverbs 3:5-6; Psalm 119:105

We need the grace of God to.....
Turn off human light devices
Let God reveal what God has in mind for you!

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CLOSING HYMN
Jesus, Grant That Balm and HealingLSB 421, v. 5

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Next Wednesday, March 6 **Mark 14:43-52**

43 And immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. 44 Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, “The one I will kiss is the man. Seize him and lead him away under guard.” 45 And when he came, he went up to him at once and said, “Rabbi!” And he kissed him. 46 And they laid hands on him and seized him. 47 But one of those who stood by drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear. 48 And Jesus said to them, “Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? 49 Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. But let the Scriptures be fulfilled.” 50 And they all left him and fled.

51 And a young man followed him, with nothing but a linen cloth about his body. And they seized him, 52 but he left the linen cloth and ran away naked.

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