

Offering

***Offertory**

“Purify My Heart” (#187 Renew songbook)

Purify my heart, touch me with your cleansing fire.

Take me to the cross; your holiness is my desire.

Breathe life in me, kindle a love that flows from your throne.

Oh, purify my heart. Purify my heart.

***Closing Prayers**

***Benediction**

***Closing Hymn**

#272 “Abide With Me”

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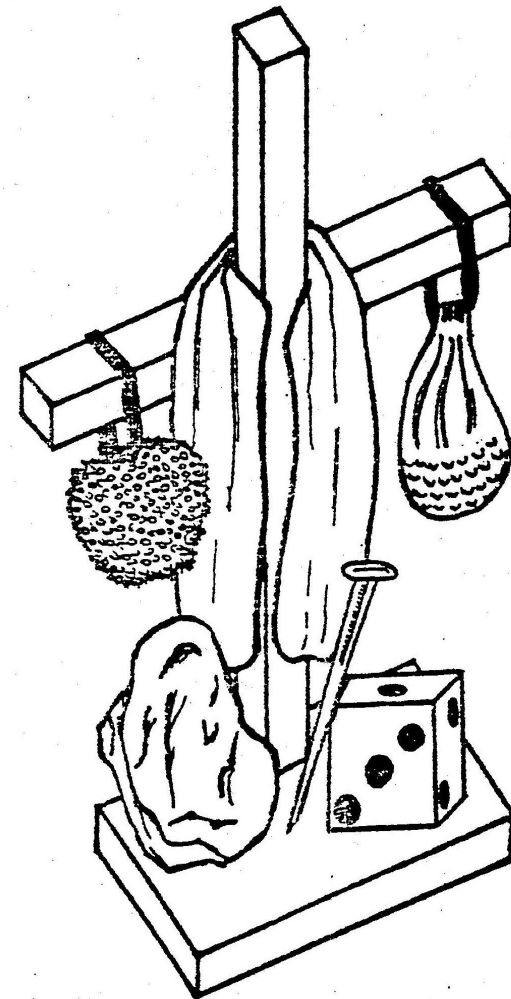
ANNOUNCEMENTS

We thank Ultreya for tonight’s meal. Next week, the Women’s group will serve lasagna for a free-will offering from 6:00 to 6:30. After worship there will be dessert and refreshments.

We thank Marsha Burke for being our organist and Charlie Skoglund for being our worship leader.

Our object tonight for the cross is a money bag which reminds us that each of us has a price at which we are guilty of betraying Jesus. The good news is that we were bought with a price— not with silver or gold but with Jesus’ innocent and precious blood on a cross.

**For He is our peace...
...through the CROSS**



CROSS/PEACE

Lenten mid-week worship

March 4, 2020

Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

(* please stand)

***Opening Hymn**
#93 "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"

***Lenten Response**

L: Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**C: Praised be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of all mercies, and the God of all consolation.**

L: Seek the Lord while he may be found.

C: Call upon him while he is near.

L: Let the wicked abandon their ways,

C: and the unrighteous their thoughts.

L: Let them turn to the Lord for mercy,

C: to our God, who is generous in forgiving.

L: All you who are thirsty, come to the water.

You who have no money, come, receive bread, and eat.

Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk.

**C: Praised be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of all mercies, and the God of all consolation.**

***Prayer of the Day**

Lord, while our spirits are willing, we confess that our flesh is weak. It is so easy to confess you as Lord with our lips, and then betray you with our words and actions. Forgive us when we fail you and betray you before others. We have sold ourselves for pleasure, money, and recognition. We don't want to live double lives. Help us, Holy Spirit, to serve Jesus as our Lord and Savior. Amen.

First Lesson: Joshua 7:16-26

*Achan loved money more than he loved obedience to God.
He was punished for his sin.*

Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 6:6-10

The apostle Paul points out the dangers of earthly wealth.

*Gospel: Matthew 26:6-16

*Jesus tries to quiet his disciples' concern about money,
but Judas is not satisfied.*

Message

"What's Your Price?" (object: money bag)
Pastor Steve

Hymn Journey During Lent

#482 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Lenten Litany

L: Lord Jesus Christ, by your agony on the cross, you have won for us peace with God and the promise of life everlasting.

C: We give you our thanks and praise.

L: O Lord, by your holy precious blood, you have redeemed us, we who were lost and condemned sinners.

C: We give you our thanks and praise.

L: O Lord, you have loved us with a love which passes all bounds of our comprehension.

C: We give you our thanks and praise.

L: We confess that we, like Judas, have often betrayed you by our sins.

C: O Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive us.

L: We confess that we have had our price and at times that price was quite low.

C: O Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive us.

L: We confess that we have not always been aware of our sins and we confess we have not always felt burdened by them.

C: O Lord, have mercy upon us and hear us as we pray:

ALL: We know, Lord, that selling ourselves for any price is a sin, and yet we have done it. We thank you for buying us back, though the cost, your precious blood and innocent suffering and death, was high. O Lord, by your Holy Spirit, help us to be more prudent in the future, help us to resist temptation and make our repentances sincere. Help us remember that even if we are offered the gain of the whole world, it would be nothing if we thereby lose our souls in hell. This we ask in your holy, precious name, as we continue in the prayer you taught, Our Father, who art in heaven, . . .