



CULVER COMMUNITY
LENTEN SERVICES

March 25, 1990

CULVER COMMUNITY LENTEN VESPERS
Saint Mary of the Lake Catholic Community

March 25, 1990, 5:00 P.M.

ORDER OF THE SERVICE

Choral Prelude

"Tree of Life"
"Behold the Wood"
"Adoramus Te"
"Ashes"

Processional Hymn

"Throughout These Forty Days"
Hymnal, p. 203

Opening Prayer (Together)

God, our loving Father, you are the Lord of mercy. You have said that whenever two or more are gathered in Your Name, You are present with them. Hear the prayer of our community gathered this evening. Forgive our wrong-doing and show us again the goodness of Your faithful love.

Your Word, Jesus Christ, spoke peace to a sinful world and brought mankind the gift of reconciliation by the suffering and death he endured.

Teach us, the people who bear His Name, to follow the example He gave us: may our faith, hope, and charity turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, death to eternal life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading -- Isaiah 57:10-18

Response

"Be Not Afraid" Hymnal, p. 12

Second Reading -- I John, 1:5-10

Response

"We are the Light of the World"
Missalette, p. 151

Gospel Reading -- Luke, 9:18-24

Response

"My Faith Looks up to Thee"
Hymnal, p. 259

Sermon -- Rev. Janet Scott, Pastor
United Methodist Church
Leiters Ford

Profession of Faith Missalette, p. 6

Benediction Rev. Leonard F. Chrobot
Pastor
Saint Mary of the Lake Catholic Community

Closing Hymn

"Were You There" Hymnal, p. 478

Fellowship

You are warmly invited to share refreshments and fellowship in the Church Hall after the Vesper Service.

A HISTORY OF THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CULVER

The earliest history of the Catholic Church in the Culver area dates to around 1827, when a chapel was built in the Twin Lakes area, for service to the Indians of the area. When the Indians were forced to move in September, 1838, they were accompanied by Father Benjamin Marie Petit, who never returned to the area.

With the influx of German and Irish settlers, a Catholic Church was built in Monterey in 1852, later to become St. Ann's Church in 1883. In 1897, a Catholic Church was built in Culver on the northeast corner of Lakeview and Lake Shore Road, but it was destroyed by fire in 1905 and never rebuilt. Catholics continued to worship in Monterey. Eucharist was often celebrated in Culver in various locations for the cadets of the Academy.

In 1948, Father Joseph Lenk was appointed as Pastor of Saint Mary of the Lake Parish, and began construction of a temporary quonset hut at the corner of Plymouth and College Avenue. Destroyed by fire in 1954, construction of the present church building began in 1955, and was dedicated on August 28, to serve the cadets and faculty of the Academy and the local residents of Culver.

Father Lenk was succeeded in 1978 by Father Matthew Kafka, who served until 1986. He negotiated celebration of Eucharist in the Culver Memorial Chapel for the students of the Academy. In 1986, Father Steve Morrison was appointed Pastor and Catholic Chaplain at the Academy. He served three years and was succeeded by Father Bruce Piechocki as administrator for one year. In August, 1989, Father Leonard Chrobot was appointed Pastor and Chaplain at the Academy.