My Offering

Today's Gospel reading was about giving money to the temple. Pay attention during worship when the ushers collect the offering. What music is playing? What do the offering plates look like? Draw these in the spaces below. Then, think about some way your church will spend this money. Draw them in the offering plate you drew.

This is the music playing during the offering.

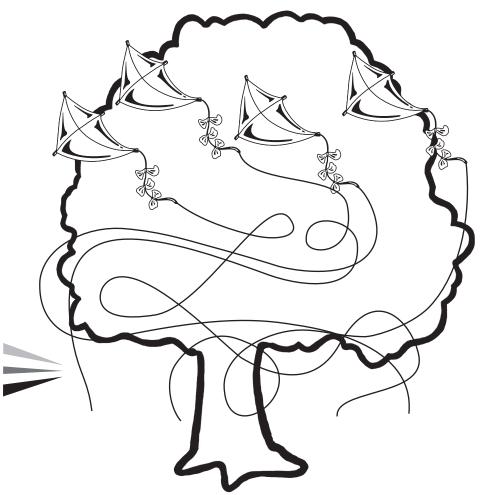
This is what the offering plate looks like.



- Today is the **25th Sunday** after Pentecost.
- The color of the season after Pentecost is green.
- **Trees** are green, too. They can help us think of the season after Pentecost.

Tree Trap!

The kites are tangled in the tree! Which string should you pull to get each one down? Pick a string and find its matching kite. Can you do it for all four?

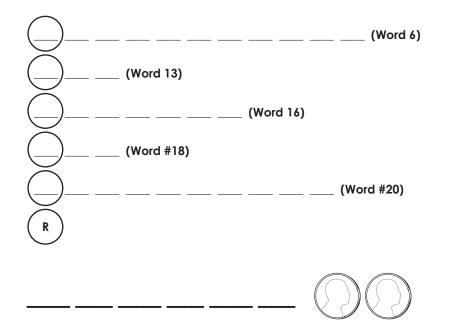


The widow only gave two little coins to the Temple. They were only worth a few cents to the world but to Jesus they were worth a lot. What metal were the coins made of? Number the words in the memory verse, then fill them in below and read the first letters to find out.



"For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her

poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on." – Mark 12:44

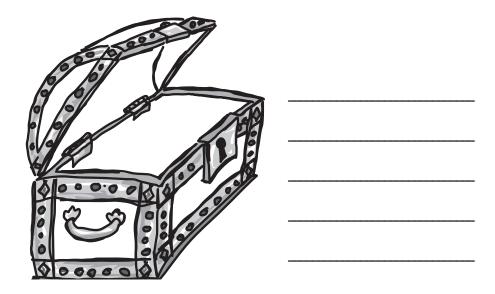




Mark 12:38-44 isn't the only time that Jesus talks about money and the Temple. Read Mark 11:15-18 to learn about an event described in all four Gospels. What is similar in these stories? What is different?

Your Most Precious Possession

The widow gave up everything she owned. What physical possession would be the hardest for you to give up? Draw a picture of it in the box. Next, write why it is so valuable to you. Is it worth a lot of money? Is it unique? Did a special person give it to you?



Secret Service

Jesus criticized the rich men for showing off when they prayed and gave money to their place of worship. The widow didn't tell anyone when she gave away all her money. She wasn't looking for anyone to praise or reward her. Have you ever done a good thing in secret? Try to do one good deed today without telling anyone! Write your idea here in the box below but don't let anyone see it!

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