

“Fruits of the Spirit” July 13, 2008 - Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control

Loxley Abbey Church – Medieval Spiritual Service

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NSRV Fruit (1700's)	Tyndale's Fruit (1522)	Meaning	Number	Edible Fruit	Reference
faithfulness	<i>faythfulnes</i>	enduring fidelity to ideals and promises despite peer pressure or the risk of repudiation	1 (singleness, completeness)	olives (we'll use honey)	Deuteronomy 8:8 - Remember God's promises, never give up
patience	<i>longesufferinge</i>	allowing someone to be themselves, or to do something at their own pace, without complaining or losing your temper	2 (witness and support)	melon (we'll use watermelon)	Numbers 11:5 - a lesson about not letting good memories make you bitter about your present suffering
peace	<i>peace</i>	a natural state of calmness, serenity and silence; the freedom from annoyance, distraction, anxiety, conflict and disorder	3 (unity, accomplishment & the Universe)	Sycamore tree fruit (we'll use cherry)	Amos 7 – Tells who and what he is with an expectation of no judgment
joy	<i>ioye</i>	elation, profound happiness, and delight that spills over onto others	4 (things of earth, or creation)	almonds	Genesis 43:11 – God lists things to give to strangers when visiting
gentleness	<i>getlenes</i>	deliberately treating someone or something as family, close kin, as if they are of noble birth just like yourself	5 (grace)	figs (we'll use dates)	Jeremiah 24 – the parable of the good & bad figs
love	<i>loue</i>	showing a deep and enduring affectionate concern for another's well-being without any thought of compensation	6 (mankind, or humanity)	pomegranate (we'll use whole berry cranberry sauce)	What Eve gave to Adam out of love and thoughtfulness
self-control	<i>temperancye</i>	restraint, delayed gratification	7 (divine perfection)	grapes	Deuteronomy 23:24 – Take grapes from your neighbor's vines, but only what you need at that moment, none in a bowl
kindness	<i>meknes</i>	to be intentionally friendly; being kind or humble despite provocation from others	8 (new beginnings)	mint leaves (we'll use 1/3 bag of Bigelow Mint Medley tea)	Matthew 23:23 - doing the right thing without being a hypocrite
generosity	<i>goodnes</i>	being ready to give with a goal in mind for your action or gift, but without the expectation of a reward for yourself	9 (blessings)	pistachio nuts	Genesis 43:11 – God lists things to give to strangers when visiting