

JUNE 2015

PASTOR ANTHONY'S RIPPLES

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Wow! This last month has been a busy one, not just for the farmers who have been prepping and planting their fields. Not just for the teachers and educators who are wrapping up another academic year. But also for your pastors, organists, church custodians, funeral servers, church members, and the surrounding communities. At Circle of Faith alone, we have had 5 funerals in the last month, not to mention all of the other funerals that we have had throughout our communities this spring.

At some of the funerals that we had this month, you may have noticed that during the funeral service the caskets were covered in a giant white bedsheet. That cloth is a funeral pall during the service one who has just died was baptized in the waters of baptism. At your baptism, you were wearing white, symbolizing that you were washed pure of your sins. Then at the end of your life, we tell your loved ones that they can trust that you were therefore clothed with Christ, and now that you are no longer living, they can trust that you are with God, resting in the arms of your savior.



to remind the living that the loved one who was baptized and claimed by God through baptism you were probably you are both clothed in Christ and through the waters of baptism. We use a funeral pall to remind the living that the loved one who was baptized and claimed by God through baptism you were probably you are both clothed in Christ and through the waters of baptism. We use a funeral pall to remind the living that the loved one who was baptized and claimed by God through baptism you were probably you are both clothed in Christ and through the waters of baptism.

So the next time that you are at a funeral and a funeral pall is used, remember that this is to remind you of their baptism and that they are in God's everlasting care. For the sake of everyone involved, I do however hope and pray that our churches and communities get a break from funerals for a while.

In Christ,

Pastor Anthony



Tuesday Morning Coffees

**Starting, June 2
8:30—10:00 am**

@ Immanuel Lutheran, Dunnell

SUNRISE BIBLE STUDY
 "For everything there is a season,
 and a time for . . . Bible Study!"

MEN—6:30 am on Tuesday
Led by Pastor Anthony Christoffels

WOMEN—6:00 am on Thursdays
Led by Pastor Stephanie Christoffels

Meet at First Lutheran Church in Trimont
 Everyone is Welcome



5:30—7:30 pm June 3rd @ Tim Peterson's — 2176 100th Ave, Trimont

At the Waverly corner on the Welcome blacktop [130th Ave], turn west, go 3 miles to 100th Ave. Turn south [left] then go 1/4 miles, the first place on the left.

WINE WOMEN & THE WORD

*Tuesday June, 16th—6-8 pm @ Jeannine Rasmussen's—
 5075 130th St. Dolliver*

Directions - From Ceylon: 4 miles south of the State Line and 2 miles east

From Fairmont: 2 miles south of the State line to Dolliver blacktop—5 miles west—after crossing the bridge take first road south 1 mile, around curve, 1st place west.

June Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship Services

Date	St. Peter – 8:30 am	Trinity – 10:30 am	Waverly – 8:30 am
June 7 – Communion <i>Altar Color: Green</i>	Pr. Anthony	Pr. Anthony	Pr. Eric
June 14 <i>Altar Color: Green</i> <i>Pastors at Synod Assembly</i>	Karen Koeder	Karen Koeder	Carl Rabbe
June 21 <i>Altar Color: Green</i>	Pr. Eric	Pr. Eric	Pr. Anthony
June 28 – Communion <i>Altar Color: Green</i>	Pr. Anthony	Pr. Anthony	Pr. Eric

*Does your church have more pews than people?
Do you wonder what God can do with a small church in rural America?*

**Come and Share Three Weeknights With:
the Concerned and Hopeful Christians living out on the prairie!**

Circle of Faith Parish presents the 2nd Annual Summer Theology Series:

Mission on the Prairie

Every session will meet at:
Trinity Lutheran Church
204 2nd Street, Welcome

Come to any session that
interests you

The meal is FREE

We'll be done by 7:30 PM

You're welcome to come
for worship,
for the meal/discussion,
or BOTH!

Child Care will be provided

Wednesday, June 10

◇ 6:00 PM - Holden Evening Prayer with Holy Communion

◇ 6:30 PM - Free Meal & Discussion
Mission in Worship

- ◆ *Go in peace, serve the Lord. What does that even mean? What does it mean to serve the Lord outside of the church?*

Led by Carl Rabbe, MDiv



Carl is a member of Circle of Faith Parish, and is a PhD student at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, IL.

Wednesday, July 1

◇ 6:00 PM - Holden Evening Prayer with Holy Communion

◇ 6:30 PM - Free Meal & Discussion
Small Church Mission

- ◆ *How can my small, dying church possibly make any sort of impact on the mission field that is God's creation?*

Led by Rev. Larry Strenge



Larry is the Director for Evangelical Mission in SW MN Synod. He has served as a pastor in Sauk Rapids, MN beginning a new congregation.

Wednesday, August 12

◇ 6:00 PM - Holden Evening Prayer with Holy Communion

◇ 6:30 PM - Free Meal & Discussion
Backyard Mission

- ◆ *Wait, I BBQ and play with my kids (grandkids) in the backyard. That's not a mission field...is it?*

Led by Rev. Dr. Alvin Luedke



Alvin is a professor of Rural Ministry at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN. He has served as a pastor in rural congregations in Texas and Minnesota.

Food, fun conversation, and learning – what's not to love?

www.circleoffaithparish.org/summerseries



SOUTH AFRICAN BISHOP VISITS CIRCLE OF FAITH

As we see the new church in Nsongeni, South Africa come together and the fundraiser money trickle in, it is an honor to welcome Bishop Buthelezi to our parish. Bishop Buthelezi is from the Southeastern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Southern Africa. Please join us in welcoming Bishop Buthelezi on:

June 11th
Waverly Lutheran
Beginning at 5:30 pm
(meal is served at 6:00 pm)

Summer is quickly approaching and lawn mowers are starting to appear at summer festivals. Last year Trimont festival parades.

We encourage members to consider walking, biking, or riding. COF has a small trailer with a pickup. Last year we walked with freeze pops and some people wore the yellow-shirts showing



proaching when you hear birds running. It is also time for local COF participated in Welcome and This year we will again.

from all three congregations to coming in a golf cart in both events. Our logo on that will be pulled by a person beside and behind it handing out pamphlets telling about COF. We will be wearing GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS.

JOIN THE PARADE!

If you do not have a Circle of Faith T-shirt, there will be members at each church helping you to purchase one on Sunday, June 25th and Sunday, July 5th. If you are not able to get one on these dates, call the church officer and you will be given a contact name and phone number to call. They are \$7.00 each. They are free to Sunday school students. You can walk in both parades or choose one or the other. And we wear our T-shirts for other events during the year too.

Trimont's parade is July 11, 2015. Welcome will celebrate their 125th anniversary with the parade on July 18th, 2015. The members that did last year's parades had a great time. Get together with your family and friends and enjoy an afternoon walk for GOD'S WORK.



**Church
Picnic**

& Worship

Our annual Parish Summer Picnic and Joint Worship Service is scheduled for:

Sunday, July 26th

10:00 am

At Ceylon City Park

(Rain location at St. Peter Lutheran)

*Bring your lawn chair as we worship in the park.

To the membership of Circle of Faith Parish:

Greetings to you all from Evanston, IL! Spring is done now, and it's time to roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer! Soon, we'll be switching, as a parish, to our summer schedule of weddings, Vacation Bible School, synod assembly, and everything else that goes on during the warmer months. One thing I'm very excited about is Circle of Faith's plan for another adult education series on Wednesday evenings, entitled "Mission on the Prairie". I'll be speaking for the first session, and we have two dynamic people from the Southwestern MN Synod and Luther Seminary coming for the other two. There's more information in this newsletter, so please mark your calendars and plan to come!

We've spent this past year as a parish with the book of Acts, and the story of what the first Christians did when they formed their first communities in Jerusalem and elsewhere – they took food to the widows, they shared their belongings, they healed sick people, and so on. A piece of trivia for you – the book of Acts was written by Luke, the same guy who wrote the Gospel of Luke. Luke's gospel wraps up with Jesus' command to stay where they are, to wait for the Spirit to come. Even after the Spirit came on Pentecost, most people continued to do just that. Yes, the apostles went and roamed around a lot, but most of the Christians stayed right where they lived, and kept on doing the work that the Church does even after the wandering preachers left town. They did that because they recognized that they didn't have to roam far to be the Body of Christ to everybody else – there was plenty that needed doing right there.

That's kind of weird, isn't it? Most of us grew up thinking of "mission" as sending people (or, more often, money) to foreign countries. But there's actually an abundance of opportunity to be the Body of Christ for people around us right where we live – going to another country won't be necessary. We'll be talking a lot about that during the summer adult education classes, so come and find out! You might be surprised where the opportunity to be Christ to somebody else shows up. But maybe that just makes it all the more exciting.

Heading into our summer contemplation of the Church's mission on the prairie, let us pray for God's blessing, using these words:

Almighty God, your Holy Spirit equips the church with a rich variety of gifts. Grant that we may use them to bear witness to Christ in lives that are built on faith and love. Make us ready to live the gospel and eager to do your will, so that we may share with all your church in the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen. [ELW, Congregational Ministries]

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Your fellow member and pilgrim,
Carl P. Rabbe, M.Div.



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ST. PETER RIPPLES



St. Peter Lutheran Church Council Meeting

May 17th, 2015

Meeting called to order by Jody Franck following Sunday Worship. In attendance were Jeremy Wink, Keith Franck, Jody Franck and Linda Bakke.

Secretary's Report - Was reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report - Was reviewed and approved.

Benevolence Treasurer's Report - There was no report to review

Pastor's Report - Pastor Anthony updated us on the South African church and showed some pictures on how the church is coming along. He also said that we would be doing the Wed. Night meeting again. The dates will be June 10th, July 1st and Aug 12. The meetings will be 90 minutes long and they will all be at Trinity. St. Peter will serve on Aug. 12th. The Synod Assembly will be June 12 - 14th in St. Peter. Karen Koeder will do pulpit supply on that Sunday. There is a need in the community and therefore MCW will be doing a backpack program starting in Sept. It is for families that qualify for free lunches at school. More information will be coming out. There is a meeting on June 11th at 3:00 at First Lutheran in Trimont about the program.

Old Business -Roof repair. There will be some calls made to try and get the roof repaired where it is leaking. They will be talking to a couple of different companies to see what they can get done

Jody or Keith will be contacting Dale Leiding to see if they can get the church hooked up to the city line to help with the ladies bathroom before any big events get planned at the church.

Pancake breakfast is going to be planned for June 14th. The proceeds will be going toward the building of the South Africa church.

There is a need to go over church memberships.

City hall has been contacted to give a bid on light bulbs. We will contact Federated too about the light bulbs.

We are hosting the Summer picnic which is planned for 10:00 on July 26th at the park in Ceylon. We will also be serving communion. We will need all council members to help set up.

New Business: From Sunday July 26th to September 6th the pastors would like to serve communion every Sunday (7 Sundays). At this time the Sunday service will be about communion and its meaning.

Alex and Christie will be moving to Germany and serving at Black Forest Academy. They are looking into financial help. We discussed ways to help them. We will be discussing this further.

As there was no other business the meeting was adjourned

Next meeting will be June 14th.

DATE	USHERS
JUNE 7	Kevin and Angie Schmidt
14	Larry W Schmidt and Jeff Petschke
21	Keith and Jody Franck
28	Larry R Schmidt and Bob Nelson
JULY	
5	Darrel and Muriel Klenz



June meeting: June 3rd at 9:00 am

Hostesses: Bernice and Barb

Bible Study: Session 1 of the summer Bible Study. We'll take a deeper look at three scripture passages that are frequently used to reinforce certain "rules" about giving. The first passage is Matthew 6:2-4.

The Ingham Lake Bible Camp Ice Cream Social is May 31st. There will be a program at 3:30 with a Maid-rite dinner from 4-5 and the pie auction at 6 pm. We will furnish 4 pies, 1 cake and 2 auction pies.

WE will again have the Lutz Wing Birthday Party on Tuesday, June 9th @ 2 pm. From the Centennial cookbook, a notation says- "we held the first birthday party at the East Wing of the hospital [now called Lutz Wing] in 1975".

Janice and I will be attending the SW MN Synod Convention June 19 & 20. We will deliver the last of the quilts—25 of them, along with various kits. Janice took 20 quilts to LWR on a bus tour May 21st. 39 baby quilts were given to Judy McQuown of Wallingford to take to Mozambique in June. She is part of a group of nurses called "Hope & Healing for Africa". Shirley Schmidt made 33 of these and Kathryn Detert 6. They use a lot of ibuprofen for patients and we gave a monetary donation. 'MISSION ACTION'.

I will be hosting the "Wine, Women & the Word" Bible study on June 16th from 6-8 pm.

Muriel reports our treasury balance is \$2,069.00. "THANKS" again for all donations.

June Birthdays:	Pat Hagen	6th	Lorrene Knuth	10th
	June Wiltse	30th		
June Altar care:	Annette Yackle			
Next work duty:	Group 1			

Our sympathies to the families of Evelyn Hagen and Dale Duncan.

I recently read a quote from Billy Graham and it has stuck in my mind.

He said, "The greatest surprise in life to me is the brevity of life".

Love Jeannine

Congratulation to our



Nicole Smith
Alysha Casius
Parker Leiding

Hailey Leiding
Colton Meade

Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Thank you to all for your expressions of sympathy, cards, memorials and prayers following Russell's death. Friends are truly appreciated.

Darrel and Muriel Klenz



Thank you to everyone who sent gifts and attended our Bridal Shower, it was a wonderful day !

Katelyn Cheever and Ethan Jensen

TRINITY RIPPLES

Congratulation to our



**Brock Burmesister
Haley Jensen
Alex Saxen
Cody Wolters**

Ephesians 2:10 "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them".



We would like to thank everyone who helped during the Tuesday Morning Coffees. The ones who gave goodies, money and worked. Some of the money will be given to the Youth that will be going to Bible Camp in Okoboji,

Tuesday Morning Coffee Committee



"THANK YOU"—

I would like to thank the church for the Bible, the Psalm and all the Blessings. - Zane Borchardt



KIDS & Vacation Bible School — "SonSpark Labs"
 Mark your calendars for July 12–16 for this years Va-
 cation Bible School.
 6:30–8:00 pm.



There will be an open house bridal shower for Brooke Traetow. Brooke is the bride to be of Cody Williams. The shower will be held at St. Paul's UCC Church in Welcome on Saturday June 20 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Brooke and Cody are registered at Crate & Barrel and at Target. Cody is the son of Rita Williams and Todd Williams.

NEW AT TRINITY!

Do you have many of your monthly bills set up as automatic payments? Have you ever forgotten your checkbook on a Sunday morning or forgot to give to your church one week because you were on vacation? Well Trinity Lutheran is now set up to automatically receive your offering through an automatic monthly or bi-monthly withdrawal from your checking account. We understand that you are busier and more mobile than ever before. And we want you to have that flexibility while still regularly giving to your church. To get started, simply fill out the one page form with your information and return it to the parish office. Forms can be found at church or on the parish website: www.circleoffaithparish.org. Your regular giving will ensure that your church will be able to continue meeting their financial obligations even though you go on vacation for a couple weeks this summer or you go and visit your grandchildren for a weekend. Sign up for Automatic Giving at Trinity today!

DATE	USHERS	COMMUNION
JUNE 7	Dick and Marlys Traetow	Brian Burmeister and Bocky Borchardt
14	Laura LaFavor & Sarah Justice	
21	Eileen Morrow and Jean Schock	
28	Marty and Wayne Burmeister	Lonnie and Bob Moffitt
JULY		
5	Larry Puhrman and Todd Williams	Velma Schaal and John Frerichs



WAVERLY RIPPLES

Waverly Council Meeting May 14, 2015

Council members present: Nancy Nordstrom, Bob Olson, Karen Koeder, Sue Krueger, Don Nordstrom, Tom Peterson, Jack Potter, Cliff Armbrust, Pastor Anthony and Belva Peterson.

The meeting was called to order by the president Nancy Nordstrom. Nancy opened with devotions reading from Mark 12. We should be a generous giver. Trust that the Lord will provide for us.

A motion by Karen and seconded by Sue to approve the agenda, motion carried.

Karen motion to approve the secretary's report as distributed, Bob seconded. Motion carried.

The treasurer's balance is negative \$13,930.49 from the church budgeted amount. Bob moved to approve the treasurer's report and Jack seconded, motion carried.

The Pastor's report: There are six candidates for the Synod Bishop position. Lynette Shaw and Susan Rathman will be our church delegate to the convention. Pastor Anthony will check with our church policy if two women can be our church representatives. There will be an opportunity to help pack meals at the synod convention at Gustavus Adolphus College, the goal is to pack 82,400 meals. This will be held June 12 from 10:30 to 2:30 any one can help for 1 hour block times. Look on the web site for more information and to sign up. June 11th at 3:00 pm. there will be a planning meeting at First Lutheran in Trimont to help with the MCW back pack program. Anyone interested in this program is encouraged to attend. There will be 3 summer Bible studies, the title is Mission on the Prairie. The sessions will start at 6:00 pm a meal is provided. These sessions are at Trinity in Welcome. Dates are June 10, July 1, and Aug 12th. In this Sunday's bulletin a picture called Flat Jesus will be enclosed. You are to take this picture with you. Where ever you travel this summer, take a picture of you with flat Jesus and send picture to the church office. They will put the picture on the web site so we can see how many people we touch. Everyone is encouraged to send 3 pictures. Circle of Faith should be notified soon from Minnesota Valley Action Council if they will be assigned an intern for summer to help with the Circle of Faith web site. Pastor Eric will be on vacation the weeks of July 12, Aug 30, and Oct 18. July 26th to the end of August communion will be offered each Sunday. The sermons will be on John 6 the Bread of Life. We discussed the idea of offering communion each Sunday.

Worship Committee: Pentecost is May 24th remember to wear red. Karen will be checking with the flower committee about the schedule of flowers for the church services. The usher list has been updated.

Caring Ministry: They offered to provide transportation for meals on wheel for people in Trimont for 1 week 3 times a year. Services are being provided to Steve Sheppard as needed.

Property Committee: The ceiling tiles have been fixed. Outside bushes have been trimmed and lawn mowing started. They are still checking on Lp prices.

Faith Formation: Green Lake Bible Camp would be willing to offer a one day bible camp at Waverly. We would invite children from the Circle of Faith congregation's. They are also thinking about camping overnight. The list of preschool children to receive the little Lutheran booklet is being updated.

Old Business: We raised \$1776.83 for the South African mission. The Parish has raised about a total of \$3000 and St. Peter's is still planning their fund raiser for the mission. No planning meeting has been scheduled yet for the harvest home coming this year. We still need some ideas for people needing our help for the God's work our Hand Sunday.

New Business: May 20th we will be hosting MCW Baccalaureate service. Nancy will be contacting the Co-chairpersons so they can contact members to help with bars and drink for after the service. June 11th Bishop Buthelezi will be at Waverly at 4:30. All people from our conference are invited to attend. A meal will be served. Bishop Buthelezi will be staying overnight at the Nordstrom's. He will be attending the synod convention the next day. Pastor Anthony agreed that it would be o.k. for Waverly to use the With One Voice Setting when we want.

Motion to adjourn by Don and seconded by Bob. Motion carried
 Closed with the Lord's Prayer
 Respectfully submitted, Belva Peterson



Please remember that beginning on Sunday, June 7th, Waverly's worship time changes from 10:30 am to 8:30 am. We will remain at 8:30 am through August. St. Peter and Trinity worship times remain unchanged.

Life Is a Gift



CONGRATULATIONS to Justin and Mandy Shaw on the birth of their daughter—Ellie Marie. She came on April 22, weighed 7# 6 oz and was 19 1/4" long. She has a proud big brother who just turned two, the family lives in Mankato.
 The proud grandparents are Kevin and Lynette Shaw.

DATE	READER	ACOLYTE	COMMUNION ASSISTANT
JUNE 7	Mim Potter	Tom Peterson	Susan Rathman
14	Daniel Helvig	Sonja Haugen/Susan Kreuger	
21	Karen Helvig	Kirsten Rabbe	
28	LuAnn Peterson	Scott Peterson	
JULY			
5	Paul Gaalswyk	Susan/Todd Rathman	Lynette Shaw


USHERS: Bob Olson, Jim Sherman, Brian Clow, Dennis Krueger, Don Nordstrom

JUNE

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Bard Sherman Jeremy Wink <i>Delano & Elaine Bergemann</i>	2	3	4 Jackie Roberts Billye Kruse Joel Kruse Randy Schneider Keith Winter <i>Jay & Beth Mulso</i>	5	6 Ed Potter Jr Arlene Hagen <i>Gene & Annette Yackle</i> <i>Bev & Don Meyer</i>
7 Shawna Garbers	8 Albert Armbrust London Truesdell Derek Hughes Amanda Roberts <i>Dan & Kendra Helvig</i>	9 Eileen Morrow Marlin Milbrandt	10 Bocky Borchardt Lorrene Knuth	11 <i>Brad & Laurie Sherman</i> <i>Brad & Connie Williams</i>	12	13
14	15 Matthew Malo Jacob Buntjer Cliff Armbrust <i>Neil & Marilyn Cheever</i> <i>Dan & Karen Armbrust</i>	16 <i>Joel & Becky Detert</i>	17 <i>Scott & Amy Morrow</i>	18 <i>Mary & Terry Muller</i>	19 Greg Gaalswyk <i>Doug & Dianne Bettin</i>	20 Brittany Poppe <i>Shane & Jennifer Kuehl</i>
21 Todd Williams	22	23 Sheila Bettin Reid Olson <i>Jeremy & Chelsie Wink</i>	24 <i>Olin & Linda Bakke</i>	25 <i>Joe & Sandy Newville</i>	26 Monica Chukuske	27 Emersyn Mosloski Margo Gibson
28	29 <i>Tim & Belva Peterson</i>	30 Marsha Rettig LaJune Wiltse Christian Petshcke <i>Cliff & Deb Armbrust</i>				

June 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Summer Worship Times:</p> <p>StP 8:30 WLC 8:30 TLC 10:30</p>	1	2 WLC 7 pm Mary Circle @ Lynette Shaw's 6:30 pm Comm. Team mtg	3 StP - 9 am WELCA 10 am Comm. @ TSL WLC 1:30 pm Dorcas Circle @ TSL Men's Garage @ Tim Peterson's	4 10 am Service @ Goldfinch	5	6
7 Worship / Holy Communion	8	9 St.P WELCA @ Lutz Wing— Birthday Party 6:30 pm —TLC Council mtg	10 2 pm Communion @ Goldfinch 6 pm Mission on the Prairie 7:30 pm Parish Council mtg	11 South African Bishop visits @ Waverly 5:30 pm Meal at 6 pm 7 pm—WLC Council mtg	12 WLC—5pm Wedding Rehearsal SW MN	13 3 pm Gaalswyk/ Pomeranke Wedding @ WLC Synod Assembly
14 Worship St. Peter Council meeting @ Gustavus Adolphus	15	16 SRBS 6:30 am—men Wine, Women & the Word 6—8 pm @ Jeannine Rasmussen's	17	18 SRBS 6 am—women	19 SW MN Women	20 Ripples Articles are due of the ELCA Convention
21 Worship 	22	23 SRBS 6:30 am—men	24	25 SRBS 6 am—women 9 am Assemble Ripples	26	27
28 Worship / Holy Communion	29	30 SRBS 6:30 am—men				



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HYMN OF THE MONTH

Henry Lyte (1793–1847) was the pastor of a small, poor church in a small village in Devonshire, England. He was an award-winning poet and originally studied to be a physician until he felt the call to the ministry. He is the person much credited with the saying, “It is better to wear out than to rust out!” He had been a frail person most of his life, and with his parish being on the English coast he finally developed Tuberculosis and asthma. He kept on working and ministering until he became too ill to preach. At that point he planned to go to Italy to recuperate but never arrived at his destination. He died enroute while in Nice, France, just three weeks after he had penned the hymn, “Abide With Me”. The inspiration for the hymn came from the meeting of the two disciples with the Resurrected Christ while on the road to Emmaus. “Abide with us, for it is toward evening.” Luke 24:29.

It was first sung at Lyte’s own funeral. It was sung at King George VI’s funeral, his daughter Elizabeth II’s wedding, and at Mother Teresa of Calcutta’s funeral. Every day for over 100 years the bells of his church (All Saints in Lower Brixham, Devonshire) have rung out the tune of “Abide With Me”.