July 22 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"They Hastened There on Foot From All the Towns and Arrived at the Place Before Them."



Only yesterday, the crowd had no answers or meaning. Like sheep without a shepherd. They fled to you.

Today the crowd is us. Caretakers of the poor. Of the sick. We are the doctors, immigrants and environmentalists.

But we still look for the way. People on the search. We flee to you, Jesus. Have pity on us. Show us the way.

Let us be today's shepherds. (Copyright 2018, Anne M. Osdieck, Used with Permission)

SET YOUR FAITH ON FIRE

- + A person who has the humility to admit when they are wrong helps set my faith on fire.
- + I know a person who has cultivated a habit of not judging others. This person tries to keep in mind that she herself is not perfect. She is a good example for me -- sets my faith on fire.

PRAYER SERVICES

Wed., July 25 7:45 AM **NO Morning Prayer** Fri., July 27 7:45 AM **NO Morning Prayer**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., July 21	4 PM	Paul Herbert
Sun., July 22	10 AM	Andy Huff
Sat., July 28	4 PM	Art Simon
Sun., July 29	10 AM	Thomas Merkel

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – July 28 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Paul and Beth Simon

Steve and Katy Schmidt

Kayla Simon Server: Cantor: Brooke Payne

Lectors: Tara Ricke, Amanda Sutton Euch. Ministers: Judy Steuri, Janet Wagner Bill Deller, Janet Deller

Sunday – July 29 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Ken and Janice Fry - back

Dennis and Flo Wagner - back Greg and Becky Simon - side

Servers: Spencer Johnson, Blake Simon

Cantors: Gene and Patty Simon Lectors: Paige Simon, Greg Wagner Euch. Ministers: Ray Merkel, Mary Merkel

Joyce Muckerheide, Scott Simon

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$1847.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 12.12
Loose Collection	\$ 225.00
Total Regular Collection	\$2084.12

Capital Improvement \$100.00

Our God is Good!

"Did you know you can make a lamp out of almost anything? It's true. I've seen it done. With just some wires and inexpensive hardware, any object – a cowboy boot, a vase, a coffeepot, a typewriter, even a beat-up, burned-out, worthless old lamp – can become a brand-new source of shining light. And that, I think, is good news for those of us who are called to be lights in this often-darkened world."

~ Thomas Kinkade

<u>SANCTUARY LIGHT</u> – The sanctuary light will burn July 22 through 29 for Sister Shirley.

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST – Congratulations to **Caroline Nicole Toops**, the daughter of Dustin Toops and Erica Hicks, who was baptized Saturday, July 14; and to **Caroline Claire Fullenkamp**, the daughter of Adam and Lisa Fullenkamp, who was baptized Sunday, July 15. May these children come to know the goodness and love of God!

<u>OFFICE</u> – I will be out of the office from Sunday, July 22, to Friday, July 27, so I will return calls on Saturday.

BLOOD DRIVE – St. Maurice is sponsoring a Community Blood Drive in the parish hall on Tuesday, August 7th, from 12:30 until 6:00 PM. You can schedule an appointment online at www.hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon. Call Arlene (812-852-4394) or Hoxworth (800-830-1091) for more information.

<u>RAFFLE MONEY</u> – These are some of the ways we have used our raffle money this past year:

Napoleon Fire Department - \$200 Trinity Church Supply - \$700 (two altar cloths and table cloths)

Gas Furnace for Church - \$593 (partial payment)

Crisis Pregnancy Hotline - \$665

Church Directories - \$80

Microphone Repairs - \$762

New Cordless Microphone - \$1,076

Improved Church Lighting - \$2,695

Bread of Life - \$665

Raffle License - \$50

Church Window Repair - \$3,500 (set aside for

when work is complete)

Funeral Casket Cover - \$267

White Chasuble - \$114

Individual Charitable Giving - \$200

TOTAL: \$11,567.00

As you can see, the Raffle Money was used for a variety of parish projects. Your support each year is greatly appreciated.

If you intend to give a prize for our Grand Raffle we need to know this by <u>August 17th</u>. Thank you!



<u>THE LORD'S LAUGHTER</u> – An Episcopal diocesan bishop went to an unfamiliar church to celebrate the Eucharist.

There was a microphone on the altar, and being uncertain whether it was switched on, he tapped it gently with no result. So leaning very close to it, he said in a loud whisper which echoed around the church, "There is something wrong with this microphone."

The well-trained and responsive congregation, very familiar with the latest liturgical language, replied at once: "And also with you." (Bulletin of the Parish of Coley, Halifax)

Lessons From a Farmer

Summer often reminds pastor Walter Wangerin Jr. of his father-in-law, a farmer. Farmers, he writes, remember "that we belong to the earth, and the earth belongs to God." Recalling his father-in-law working the fields, he states, "Surely I don't suppose that we shall live by the horse again, but I plead that we live on this earth with reverence."

Because God gave people "dominion" over creation (see Genesis 1:28), we are "God's emblem within the universe, God's signature upon the work he had accomplished," Wangerin writes. "We were placed here to serve God by serving the earth and so to be served by it."

Who demonstrates that better than a farmer nurturing soil and seeds to yield abundant harvest? "By his reverential stance," Wangerin concludes, "the farmer calls again for honor to God and kindness to creation, that we dress and till and keep it rightly."

—based on Measuring the Days