

# NEWSLETTER

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## REFLECTIONS FROM THE PASTOR

The other day I received a text message from one of our families. It seems that, out of the blue, their three-year-old son said that he wanted to go to church. When asked why, the little guy said, "I miss Pastor Paul." Well, my heart melted right then and there.

I don't know about you, but I miss you. These last months have been very difficult. We have tried our best to try to prevent the spread of COVID. On those Sundays when we have not been able to have in-person worship, we have at least been able to provide a live TV and virtual worship experience. Some folks have jokingly suggested to me that it must be much easier to worship without the congregation there. The truth is that it is harder. Sundays are so much more meaningful and interesting when you are present.

We started having in-person worship again on January 3<sup>rd</sup>. So far, everything is going well. If you feel comfortable, please come to worship. If you are able, please wear a face covering. If you are not comfortable, we continue to broadcast on BEK TV and on Sunne's Facebook page. We continue to evaluate the situation based on local conditions. We appreciate your flexibility and willingness to pull together.

For those who haven't been able to be in worship yet, I am anxious to see you. As God's Spirit continues to move in us, we will get through this. A special greeting to my friend, Henry, who I miss as much as he misses me.

Please note: The annual meeting will be held on Sunday, January 31, at 9am in the sanctuary, which should provide us plenty of room to spread out. Please note the change of date. The 2020 Annual Reports are in your church mailboxes.

*In Christ,  
Pastor*

# HAPPY 128<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY SUNNE

## CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

January 13, 2021

- Received with thanksgiving the 2020 Treasurer's Report.
- Approved reimbursing Pastor Paul for costs related to transporting the LWR kits to the warehouse.
- Discussed in-person worship and how things are going.
- Reviewed the Budget and Election meeting.
- Noted that BEK will be working on improving our broadcast abilities.
- Elected the following officers: President – Marcus Hall; Vice-president – Lyndsey Cleveland; Secretary – Tammie Falkenstein.
- Council members were assigned to ministry teams.
- Discussed replacing the quilting room accordion doors.
- Appointed Sylvia Vollan to the audit team.
- Approved paying the 2021 budgeted amount to Camp of the Cross (\$2500) and paying one half of our 2021 benevolence (\$3750) to the Synod.
- Finalized the February deacon and teller list.
- Set the February meeting for February 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm and the March meeting for March 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.

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**THE ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY,  
JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup> AT 9AM.  
PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE.**

**Sunne Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Balance Sheet  
December 31, 2020**

**ASSETS**

Checking, Union Bank	\$ 82,005.47
Savings, Union Bank	30,960.84
<b>Investments</b>	
CD/Mission Investment Fund, Endowment Fund	4,761.01
Dougherty & Co., Seminary Student Fund	14,566.61
<b>Building:</b>	
2007 Building Addition	657,794.63
2020 Kitchen Project	48,844.38
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u><u>\$ 838,932.94</u></u></b>

**Equity**

General Fund	\$ 66,065.92
Wilton Food Pantry	21,230.68
Special Projects Fund	17,229.71
Parsonage Fund	7,500.00
Memorial Fund	940.00
Endowment Fund	4,761.01
Seminary Student Fund	14,566.61
Equity-Building	706,639.01
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b><u><u>\$ 838,932.94</u></u></b>

**Change in Fund Balances:**

<b>Total Fund Balances, December 31, 2019</b>	\$ 719,583.78
Net Income	114,717.85
Increase in Seminary Student Fund	(536.80)
Increase in Endowment Fund	118.86
Dougherty funds transferred to Kitchen Project	5,049.25
<b>Total Fund Balances, December 31, 2020</b>	<b><u><u>\$ 838,932.94</u></u></b>



## SUNNE'S

### 128<sup>th</sup> Birthday

On February 22, 1893 a group of Swedish immigrants who were originally from Sunne, Varmland, Sweden, gathered to form a Swedish Lutheran congregation in northern Burleigh County. They gathered to worship the Lord on top of this hill on the North Dakota prairie. Over the years, Sunne has become a congregation with members of many ethnic backgrounds, religious denominations and worship traditions. All those who proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome to become part of God's family at Sunne.



The quilters meet every Thursday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the church. Come and join the group. You'll enjoy the work and the fellowship

*A huge THANK YOU to all who helped in any way with Lutheran World Relief projects. We recently delivered 15 quilts, 147 baby care kits, 301 personal care kits, and 810 school kits to the LWR warehouse in South St. Paul. THANK YOU! THANK YOU!*

## BAPTISMS

**Congratulations to those celebrating their baptismal anniversaries in February.**

- 2--Tim Schatz
- 12--Jim Tosseth
- 14--Kalea Morlock
- 17--Abigail Franklund
- 23--Cheryl Woodcock
- 26--Jacob Hurt

## SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Nearly 100 million Americans are expected to tune in to watch the Super Bowl on February 7th. Many of us will be hosting or attending parties with abundant food, friendship, and fellowship. At the same time, nearly 1 billion people will be hungry in our world - some worrying about staying warm, finding shelter and securing their next meal. Please join us in serving the hungry by giving a donation to help fight hunger. Before and after worship on Super Bowl Sunday, members of the Confirmation Class will be in the narthex with a soup kettle receiving your monetary donations. All gifts will be given to the Wilton Food Pantry. This is the 26th year that Sunne has participated in this national event.

Camp of the Cross is looking for a board member from our area. If you are interested in serving on the Camp of the Cross Board of Directors, please speak to Emma Berg (400-0020).

# Ash Wednesday

February 17, 2021  
7:30 pm  
Imposition of Ashes  
And  
Holy Communion



## Lenten Worship

After Ash Wednesday, every Wednesday during Lent we will gather for worship at 7:00 p.m.. Compline (prayer at the close of the day) will be the order of worship. We will spend time each Wednesday reflecting on living our faith. Consider making fellowship, worship and study part of your Lenten discipline.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GIVE AN  
EASTER LILY FOR DECORATING  
THE CHURCH AT EASTER?

COST PER LILY IS

\$11.00

MARCH 7<sup>th</sup> IS THE LAST DAY TO  
ORDER A LILY.

IN MEMORY

OF \_\_\_\_\_

OR

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

## SPONSOR A BULLETIN

If you are interested in sponsoring a Sunday bulletin in memory of a loved one, please fill out the following form. Cost is \$10.00 per Sunday. You may sponsor as many Sundays as you wish. Sponsorships will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Sponsorship announcements will be printed in the bulletin. The announcement will read, "Today's bulletins are given in memory of....."

NAME.....



IN MEMORY OF.....

IN HONOR OF.....

REQUESTED DATE.....

# FEBRUARY, 2021

Sunne Evangelical Lutheran Church  
PO Box 217 Wilton, North Dakota

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>The names on the calendar are to remind us to pray for on another.</i>	1 <i>Rik Cutting</i>	2 <i>Kari Cutting</i>	3 <i>Kevin Dearing</i>	4 Quilting 10 am-3 pm <i>Rebecca Rodacker</i>	5 <i>Ever Dearing</i>	6 <i>Marvin Docket</i>
7 9 am Sunday School/Conf. 10 am Communion Service SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY	8 <i>Carlene Docket</i>	9 <i>Brent Earsley</i>	10 Church Council Mtg. 7:00 pm <i>Anne Earsley</i>	11 Quilting 10 am-3 pm <i>Tanner Earsley</i>	12 <i>Teigen Earsley</i>	13 <i>Ty Earsley</i>
14 9 am Sunday School/Conf 10 am Worship Service 	15 <i>Jennifer Egan</i>	16 <i>Robert Ell, Jr</i>	17  Ash Wednesday Worship 7:30pm <i>Kristine Ell</i>	18 Quilting 10 am - 3 pm Food Pantry 3-5 <i>Caitlyn Ell</i>	19 <i>Shelby Ell</i>	20 <i>Claudia Ewine</i>
21 9 am Sunday School/Conf. 10 am Communion Service	22 <b>HAPPY BIRTHDAY SUNNE</b> <i>Bernard Falkenstein</i>	23 <i>Alice Falkenstein</i>	24 Lenten Worship 7pm <i>David Falkenstein</i>	25 Quilting 10 am-3 pm <i>Tammie Falkenstein</i>	26 <i>Larry Falkenstein</i>	27 <i>Betty Falkenstein</i>
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