

# SUNNE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

## NEWSLETTER

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### PARSON'S CHATTER

As I begin this article, I am thinking about Pastor Dan. Hopefully he is recovering from the bug that's bugging him so he can return to Sunne April 2.

I want to chat a bit about money. I like money. I suspect you like money. Money is not the root of all evil, but it is the "love" of money that is at the root of much evil. Why is it that a \$50 bill can seem so small on a Saturday night but so big on a Sunday morning?

There are three things I wish to say about money. The first is a big word of "THANK YOU" for how you financially support Sunne Lutheran Church and the ministries of the Church. Whether your financial support is small or large, your support is appreciated and needed.

Secondly, I would like you to consider electronic giving. Many of you are. This is an excellent way of giving. Believe me, I initially despised the idea, because I was thinking it is not an offering if I'm not putting it in the offering plate. But, I have changed my mind. Judy and I have done this for years. Every week (or however you set it up) our offering automatically goes to church. We can increase, decrease, or stop at any time. Whether we are at worship, or watching in our pajamas while drinking coffee, or elsewhere; we know our offering is automatically going from our bank to the church.

The third thing I want to say about money is that you have an excellent tool in place here at Sunne. When those pioneers organized this congregation, they were thinking not only about the current need for a church; but they were also thinking about their children, grandchildren, and the generations to follow. I am confident they would be pleased and amazed at how this congregation has blossomed and grown. The Sunne Endowment Fund is designed to be a tool to strengthen and support the future of Sunne Lutheran Church. Only the interest from the Endowment may be used.

A gift of \$5,000 or more to the Endowment not only helps the Church, it also provides tax benefits. Discuss with your accountant or financial advisor. Of course, every size of gift to the Endowment is a blessing on the future of Sunne and a tribute to those pioneers who established this congregation.

**I have enjoyed beyond measure my time serving God with you! Thank you! Take care! God bless! Happy trails!**

**Dale V. Nabben, Interim Pastor**

## Council Highlights

- ◆ It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the February meeting minutes.
- ◆ Treasurer’s report was presented and reviewed. It was moved, seconded, and carried to receive the report.
- ◆ “Noisy” offering was suggested by Pastor as a fun thing for the kids
- ◆ Parsonage Status- estimate for kitchen remodel was reviewed
- ◆ Railing Update- Stain has now been matched and railing is being completed for install
- ◆ It was moved, seconded, and carried to raise the scholarship money for children that will be going to camp. (\$100 for short week and \$200 for long week)
- ◆ Sunne was asked to sponsor a meal at City of Wilton’s 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. More information to be retrieved before a decision is made.
- ◆ Senior Sunday- Last Sunday in April. Getting the correct number of seniors and will be looking for a few people to help with the event.

## Financial Report as of February 28, 2023

Endowment Fund	18,006. 62
Equity-Building	657,794.63
General Fund	41,842. 18
Memorial Fund	1,560.00
Parsonage Fund	14,584.74
Seminary Student Fund	15,946.70
Special Projects Fund	12,059.88
Wilton Food Pantry	14,646.34
Net Income	-5,056.86
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>829,255.30</b>

### Sunday School

UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

April 2, 16, and 30<sup>th</sup>

**\*NO SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**on April 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>**

### Confirmation

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**April 9<sup>th</sup>\***

The LAST DAY of SUNDAY SCHOOL is April 30<sup>th</sup>.



### Wilton Food Pantry

*Distribution will occur on Thursday, April 20th from 3-5pm @ the Wilton Senior Center.*



## ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

Date	Readers	Greeters	Ushers	Acolytes
April 2	SuAnn Olson	Shelley Porter		Joanie McCormack & Otter Mbdin
April 9- 7am 9:30am		Marcus & Daphne Hall	Mke Berg	Seth Morlock & Stella Rust
April 16	Sue Szczur			Parker Hruby & Trayton Bauer
April 23	Sid Stromme			Seth Morlock & Kevin Schill
April 30	Joanie McCormack			Jada Vetter & Logan Hansen



**SCHEDULE:** Palm Sunday, **April 2, 2023-- 10am communion service**  
 Mandy Thursday, **April 6, 2023--7:30pm worship service**  
 Good Friday, **April 7, 2023-- 7:30pm Tenebrae Service**  
 Easter Sunday, **April 9, 2023-- 7am (Sunrise Service) w/ Communion**  
**8am Breakfast**  
**9:30am (Festive Service w/ Communion)**



**April 30<sup>th</sup> @ 9am - LAST day of Sunday School. Come join the Fun!!**



**April 30<sup>th</sup> @ 10 am worship service w/ potluck to follow---SENIOR SUNDAY**



### WELCA BIBLE STUDIES

Bible Studies are held at the church one Sunday of every month. Sunday, April 2, 2023 will be the general meeting @ 9am.

WELCA spring Cluster gathering will be Saturday, April 1, 2023 at Peace Lutheran Church, 2210, 66th St SE, Lincoln, ND starting at 2 pm. Featured speaker is Katie Oakland from TR 4 Heart and Soul. Love gift is personal care items for Lincoln Community Cupboard. Cost is \$10.00. Bring a book for the book exchange.



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

- 1--Brynley Speten, Alice Falkenstein & Larry Falkenstein
- 3--Jaylah Cleveland, Tayler Cleveland & Kennady Cleveland
- 4--Pat Ryberg
- 5--Starnell Tarpley & Rebecca Rodacker
- 8--Reece Franklund & Collin Franklund
- 9--Gerald Kassian
- 10--JoAnn Axt & Jessica Oswald
- 11--Carlene Dockter
- 13--Don Weible
- 16--Emma Berg& Barney Strand
- 18--Alex Strand
- 19--Lauryl Morlock
- 21--Valerie Smallbeck & Aaron Schill
- 25--Eric Schill
- 27--Jennifer Heilman
- 28--Tanika Johnson
- 30--Brock Magnuson



The Wilton Lions Club will host "The Unhappy Hour," a mystery play with dessert and refreshments on Sunday, April 16 at 2 pm in the Wilton Memorial Hall. The admission is a free-will offering with suggested prices of \$10/adult, \$5 child less than 18 and \$25/family. Proceeds will benefit the Wilton Ambulance. We look forward to seeing you!!

## **SENIOR SUNDAY**



The Congregation is invited to Senior Recognition Sunday on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. On this day we will honor our high school seniors and those seniors who are involved in Sunne Lutheran Youth. We will celebrate during the 10 a.m. worship service, followed by a potluck. The entire congregation is invited to show their support.

Sunne Quilters meet every Wednesday from 10am to 3pm in the church basement. Anyone interested is welcome to attend or to do work at home. For more information, please call Myrna Hochhalter at 286-7795.

