

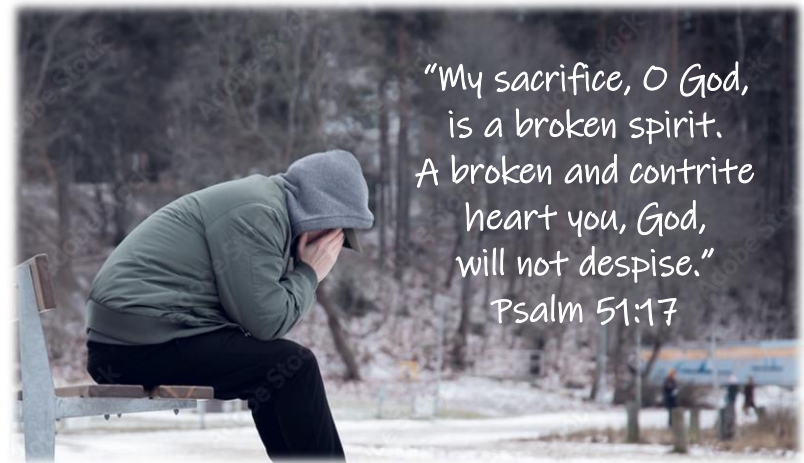
## PRAYER FOCUS – APRIL 26, 2026

- ❖ To activate the prayer chain, contact the church office, or text Bonnie Wiebe.
- ❖ To add a prayer request to the bulletin, contact the church office.

- 1. Missionary Focus:** Pray for Tami Zacharias, serving with Operation Mobilization in Ontario: “I have been running a group that looks at how we can innovate with AI; preparing for the international leaders’ meetings; meetings and more meetings. In April I have online meetings to design curriculum of OM’s forthcoming mobilisation mobile phone app. In May and June, I will facilitate a course to train people in designing online learning. In August I go to Croatia for meetings to design curriculum. Pray for God’s wisdom in all I do and for upcoming travels and work projects.”  

- 2. Church Family:** Carl & Helena Wiebe – Joanna Wiebe – John & Ruth Wiebe – LaVerne & Bonnie Wiebe – Nathan & Janie Wiebe, Lacey, Caley, Tyler
- 3. Birthdays:** Janice Atkins (Monday), Mayson Janzen (Tuesday)
- 4. Prayer Requests:**
  - Pray for Shirley Epp who goes for another scope ablation tomorrow.
  - Pray for Donna’s sister and brother-in-law who were in a car accident resulting in numerous injuries and broken bones. Pray for their recovery and the care they will need following release from the hospital.
  - Abigail Stippelmans will have a 7-hour open-heart surgery on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Please pray for a successful surgery and complete recovery.
- 5. SEC:** New Beginnings Committee: Roni & Tori
- 6. EMMC:** House of Prayer congregation needing a suitable facility in London ON.
- 7. Sister Churches:**
  - Region 1, SK/AB:** Mennonite Gospel Church, Vauxhall—vacant
  - Region 2, MB C:** Bagot Community Chapel—Michael & Janice Fehr
  - Region 3, MN S:** Gospel Mission Church, Morden—Brad & Crystal Driedger
  - Region 4, ON:** Aylmer EMMC—Ryan Law
  - Region 6, BZ:** Blue Creek EMMC—Henry & Sara Janzen
- 8. Westside Pastors’ Fellowship:** Curtis Zoerb—Massey Place Community Church
- 9. Parachurch Ministries:** Millar College of the Bible

# Sutherland Evangelical Church



*“My sacrifice, O God,  
is a broken spirit.  
A broken and contrite  
heart you, God,  
will not despise.”  
Psalm 51:17*



Sunday School: 9:30AM  
Sunday Worship: 10:30AM

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Youth Pastor: Josh Agent

**April 26, 2026**

- ❖ Tithes/offerings can be placed in the Offering Box on the back table.
- ❖ Etransfer to [treasurer@sutherlandevangelicalchurch.com](mailto:treasurer@sutherlandevangelicalchurch.com)
  - ↳ be sure to leave a comment with your address if this is a first-time gift.
- ❖ Automatic monthly withdrawals—contact our treasurer or the church office.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

**Ushers:** Nathan Wiebe & Sheldon Fehr

**Prelude:** CD

**Welcome & Prayer:** Mo Thomson

**Ministry Reminders:** Mo Thomson

**Worship:** Youth/C&C Band

**Pastoral Prayer:** Pastor Dale

**Children's Feature:** Pastor Dale

**Scripture Focus:** Luke 15:11-24 (pg 849)—Mo Thomson

**Worship:** Youth/C&C Band

**Children's Prayer & Dismissal:** Mo Thomson

↳ For ages 3-7; children must be signed in to attend.

**Message:** "The Universal Problem of Sin" - Pastor Dale

**Closing Song:** Youth/C&C Band

**Benediction:** Pastor Dale

*welcome*

### **Note:**

If you have any questions as we go through the Statement of Faith, please submit them to the office or place them in Box #10.

"Forbidden fruit has resulted in many a jam."

## THIS WEEK

**TUESDAY, NOON:** Prayer meeting in the Youth Wing

**TUESDAY, 7PM:** Heart of Worship practice

**WEDNESDAY, 7PM:** Bible study @ church on Isaiah 53. Join us in person or remotely by Zoom. Pastor Dale will email the Zoom link on Tuesday.

**FRIDAY, 7-9PM:** Youth Paint Night in the Youth Wing. Remember your painting clothes and your image prep work.

**SATURDAY:** Kadesh workday. Use the signup sheet or let our office know if you are planning to attend.

**The trouble with opportunity is that it only knocks.  
Temptation kicks the door in.**

## NEXT SUNDAY

**Coffee:** Alice

**Sound:** Ken

**Livestream:** Roni

**Offering Counter:** George

**Guest Speaker:** Brian Unger

**Prelude:** Eva R

**PowerPoint:** Janice A

**Worship Leader:** Keenan

**Ushers:** George & Greg F

Welcome visitors!  
Please help yourself to a Visitor Card from the back table.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**MAY 9, 10AM-6PM:** Barbecue fundraiser at Centre Mall Co-op. Funds raised will go toward offsetting the cost of our church camp weekend in September.

\* **Volunteers needed to help run the event. Signup sheet at back.**

**MAY 13, 9:30AM:** Coffee Fellowship in our dining room

**MAY 17:** Nominations deadline. Talk to a Council member before approaching anyone you'd like to nominate.

**MAY 18:** Deadline for reports. Please submit your report to the office.

**MAY 22-24:** Men's Quad retreat. To sign up talk to James, Glen, Steve, or LaVerne

**MAY 23:** SEC Kitchen Spring Cleaning Bee! Talk to Shirley if you can help.

**MAY 28, 7PM:** SEC Annual Elections Meeting in our sanctuary

**JUNE 14:** Church picnic



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## SEC NEWS

**Thank you** for supporting last Sunday's youth fundraiser. After expenses, they brought in \$1,061.00.



**May is Mortgage Minimizer Month!!** Let's bring down our debt! In May, consider giving a donation above your regular giving that will go to the principal payment on our mortgage. Reducing our debt can give us opportunity to be more impactful and generous. Be sure to clearly label your donation!

**Parents:** Please remember to get a waiver from the back table, sign it and place it in Box #52 in order for your children to be allowed to use our inflatable bouncer in June.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**MAY 2, 9AM – 12PM:** The Big Shred—a fundraiser to assist seniors' living at Amy McClure House. 4025 Tayler St (McClure United Church parking lot). Shred your old documents to prevent identity theft. Suggested \$10/box or \$5/shopping bag.

**MAY 5:** A night of worship in support of The Mustard Seed @ Elim Church, featuring Paul Baloche & Mack Brock. Tickets at: [Home Together | Mustard Seed](#)

**MAY 11, 7PM:** An evening of discussion, exploring Canada's MAID expansion to mental illness and the questions it raises for faith communities, etc. Holy Spirit Parish (114 Kingsmere Place). See poster for more details.

**MAY 31:** Day of Prayer for Camp. <https://prayforcamp.ca>

## The Universal Problem of Sin

SEC – April 26, 2026

### Introduction:

**Sin.** We believe that sin is a rejection of God's rule, beginning with the rebellion of Satan and followed by Adam and Eve's deliberate choice to disobey God. Because of sin everyone has fallen short of God's will, creating a conflict with God, self, and others. The penalty for sin is physical and spiritual death.

### A. What does it say?

1. Sin is \_\_\_\_\_ against the \_\_\_\_\_ of God in our lives. Gen 3; Psalm 51; Romans 5:12-14, 7:18-24
2. We share the world with \_\_\_\_\_ beings that influence our \_\_\_\_\_ choices. Daniel 10:12-14; 2 Corinthians 4:4, 10:3-6, 11:14-15
3. In seeking to be \_\_\_\_\_ from God's rule, humanity became \_\_\_\_\_ to sin, and God's image in us has been \_\_\_\_\_. Gen 11:1-9; Jeremiah 17:9; Romans 3:23; 6:16
4. Because of our sin, we are under God's \_\_\_\_\_, and we experience \_\_\_\_\_ and fear. Genesis 3; Romans 1:18-32, 6:23, 7:14-24

### B. Why does it matter?

1. Despite our egocentric society, we must recognize human \_\_\_\_\_.
2. God desires for us to live free of \_\_\_\_\_ and shame.
3. Despite our \_\_\_\_\_ and rebellion, God offers us \_\_\_\_\_ and grace.

### Conclusion:

#### EMMC Statement of Faith

**Sin.** The dignity of all persons contrasts starkly with the depths of human sin. The sin of Adam and Eve constituted rebellion against the rule of God. With one subversive act all humanity plunged into the grip of sin. Sinful thoughts, feelings, and actions fail to follow God's direction. Sin twists human relationships, leaving us with broken communities. Sin is a powerful influence that tempts us to make choices contrary to God's will.

**Angels and Satan.** We share the world with spiritual beings that influence our moral choices. Angels were created to serve in God's court, send God's messages, fight evil powers, and minister to the saints. Demons rebel against God by seeking to enslave the world with evil. Satan is the leading adversary of God. Satan's kingdom of darkness attempts to conquer God's kingdom of light through lies, destruction, and death.

**Fall of Humans.** In seeking to be wise like God, Adam and Eve became foolish. In the desire for freedom from God's law, humans became enslaved. In seeking to rise higher as reflections of God's glory, we fell away. Our image and likeness of God was blemished through selfishness. All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

**Consequences of Sin.** God's holy anger toward sin is revealed by the severe judgement of sin. Sin breaks our relationship with God and exchanges true freedom for slavery. Human relationships become battlegrounds of pride, selfishness, separation, hostility, violence, and death. Inwardly people are damaged by feelings of shame, fear, loneliness and harmful cravings. Work in a hostile land becomes painful and tedious. The sinner has received the guilty verdict and awaits eternal death. Without God as our refuge, we are homeless wanderers in need of grace. Still, God offers unexpected mercy toward the sinner.

Sin. [Genesis 3:1-24](#); [Deuteronomy 28:1, 15, 38-48](#); [Leviticus 19:2](#); [Psalms 51](#); [Jeremiah 31:30](#); [Romans 5:12-14](#); [7:16-25](#)

Angels and Satan. [Isaiah 6:1-8](#); [Daniel 10:12-14](#); [Matthew 12:28-29](#); [2 Corinthians 4:4](#); [10:3-6](#); [11:14-15](#); [Colossians 1:16](#); [Hebrews 1:14](#); [James 4:7](#); [1 Peter 5:8-9](#); [Revelation 5:11](#); [12:7-12](#)

Fall of Humans. [Genesis 3:14-19](#); [11:1-9](#); [Isaiah 53:6](#); [Jeremiah 17:9](#); [Romans 3:23](#); [5:12](#); [6:23](#)

Consequences of Sin. [Genesis 3:6-23](#); [4:13-16](#); [Romans 1:18-32](#); [5:12-14](#); [6:23](#); [7:14-24](#)