

COPY OF OFFICIAL SPRINGDALE  
ORGANIZATION DOCUMENT

We John Ingebretson Berge, and Sebjoren Peterson, at an election of the Norwegian Lutheran Congregation of Dane and Jefferson Counties, Wisconsin, held by the Subdivision of said Congregation of Town of Blue Mounds and Springdale, in said county of Dane, at school house in school Dist. No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the town of Blue Mounds; on the 1st day of December A.D. 1852, pursuant to the notices of the purpose of electing three trustees of said Subdivision of the above congregation, or church, according to law, being at said election, duly appointed, as officers to conduct said election, do hereby certify that the following persons, to wit: Aslak Lie, Nils Sjuru Syvvesind, and Erik Sevre, received the highest number of votes, at said election, and were duly elected Trustees of said church, or congregation, from the 1st day of January A.D. 1853, to preside as such Trustees of said church or congregation, till their successors are duly elected and qualified.

State (In testimony whereof we have  
of (here unto set our hand and seals  
Wisconsin (this 1st day of Dec. A.D. 1852

John I. Berge (Seal)  
Sebjoren Peterson (Seal)

On this day \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. 1853 appeared  
before me John I. Berge, and Sebjoren  
Peterson Dusterud, and acknowledged the  
indenture of the above instrument their  
free act and deed, for the purposes  
therein mentioned.

## 100 YEAR FAMILIES IN SPRINGDALE

Among names identified with our church during the first 10 years of its organization, and which still are on our membership list are: Brostuen, Brager, Bohle (Boli), Bakken, Eggum, Lee, Lunde, Olson, Sletto, Spaanem, Solve, Skindrud, Shutvet, Sorenson (Quistrud), Thompson (Rue), Thompson (Brenden), Thorson (Aase).

Other names important, at that time, but which are not on our list now, though the descendants of some of them are, we find: Berge, Bangsfordet, Grinde, Fosshage, Mikkel Johnson, Kobbervig, Lien, Lindelien, Mennes, Stugaarden, Urdahl.

Pastors who have served Springdale Lutheran Congregation:

A.C. and H.A. Preus, 1850-1856

P. M. Brodahl, 1856-1868

A. Jacobson, 1868-1878

Adolph Bredeson, 1878-1881

Peter Isberg, 1881-1883

O. P. Syftestad, 1883-1890

Severin Gunderson, 1890-1947

Hector Gunderson, 1930-

## SPRINGDALE LUTHERAN CHURCH HISTORY

The first Norwegian settlers in Springdale came from Telemarken, Valdres and Sogn. Some had stopped in Illinois, some in Muskego or Manitowoc, Wisconsin, but not until they found Springdale did they feel