

# King Edward Lodge No. 464 Sunderland

Started in January 1904

First meetings at Albert and Water St.  
(at Black Knights of Ireland Lodge )

Cost of hydro in 1904 \$15.00/year

New Lodge (Presbyterian Church) \$ 825  
in 1928 borrowed from Henry Tocher

1953 Order of the Eastern Star rent  
the basement for \$ 50/year

1954 Municipal taxes \$96.75 /year



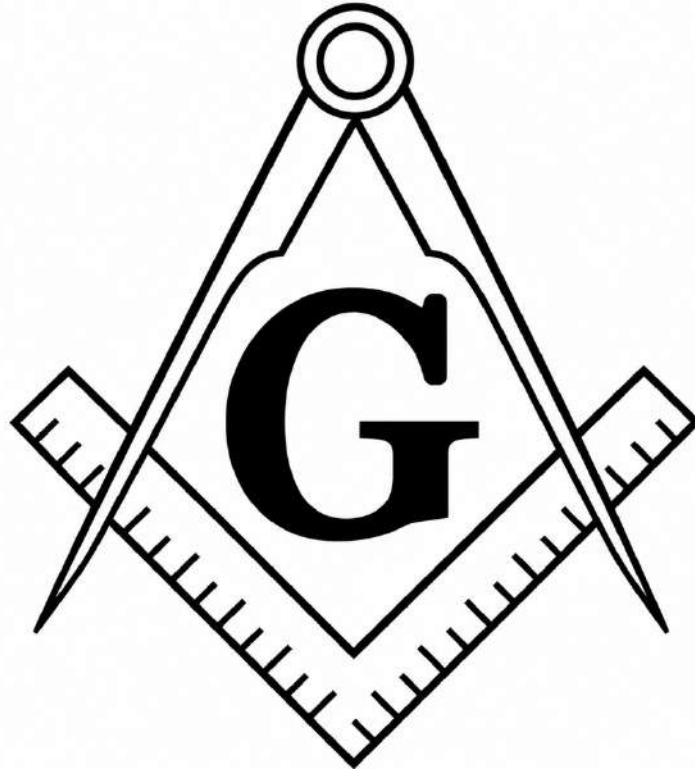
## Freemasonry

This is a fraternal organization which traces its origins back to the local fraternities of stonemasons. They regulated the qualifications of masons and their interactions with different authorities and clients. The different degrees of freemasonry included the three grades of the medieval craft guilds. The three levels were apprentice, journeyman and master mason.

Members of the mason lodge move through a series of levels or degrees of achievement as they participate in lodge activities.

The mason work quietly behind the scenes and support many local organizations in the community.

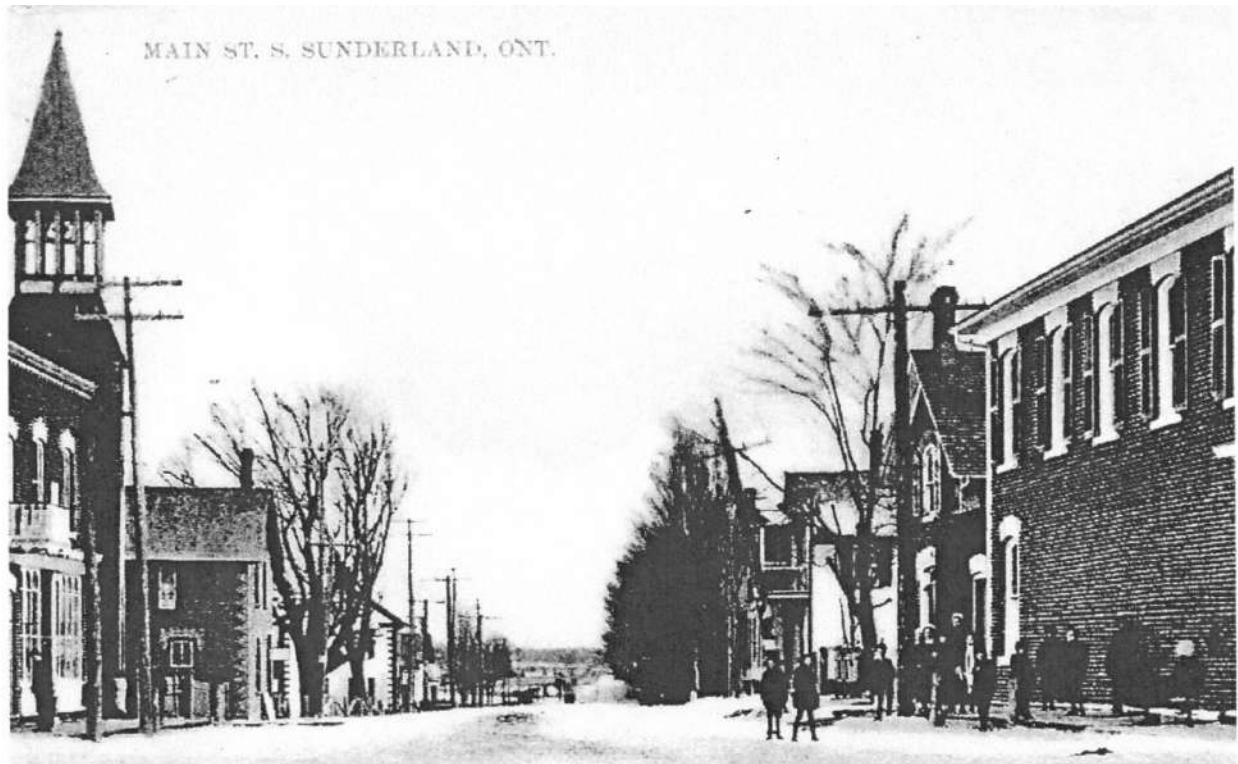
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This Masonic Lodge was once the Presbyterian Church in Sunderland. It was built in 1876 on Main Street which has been renamed Albert Street. The original log church was located in the Sunderland Cemetery just up highway #12 on the east side of the road. The pictures show photos of the church about 1912. The first picture is looking from the south to the north and the church is the second building on the right. At the corner is the CIBC Bank which at that time was the Standard Bank. The second photo is at River Street looking south and the church with the high wooden steeple is the second building on the left. There was a fire in 1913 at the building north of the church and the wooden steeple was damaged. During the fire, water had to be pumped up in hoses from the river east of town so very often buildings quickly burned to the ground. In 1924 the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches join to form the United Church, and this building was sold to the Masons of the King Edward Lodge in 1929.



1. Sunderland looking north on Main St. Home of Mrs. Billy Luke Doble, Presbyterian Church, Calhoun Block, McDermott Block, Bank



Sunderland looking south from River Street. Left McDermott Block, Presbyterian Church. Right Taylor's General Store

The Sunderland Presbyterian Church about 1913 ( now the Sunderland Masonic Lodge ). Across the street ( Main Street now Albert) is the home and 1913 Model T Ford of Dr. Robert K. Bryant and his wife Elizabeth Ann Adams. On March 5, 1913, there was a fire in the Calhoun Block immediately to the north of the church. The church roof and tower were damaged while the Calhoun block was completely destroyed. Sunderland essentially had no real fire protection until about 1950 when it got a modern fire truck. Until then water was pumped up from the Beaver River as far as the CIBC Bank.



AI enhanced photo of car in front of the  
Sunderland Presbyterian Church