

**New England Messenger**  
**New England Congregational Church**  
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## **This Month: May 2025**

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### **May Birthdays**

May 1	Paul Poeschl
May 2	Zak Hansen, Lynette Mandl,
May 15	Jackson Benson
May 16	Maci Schellpeper
May 19	Donna Barr
May 21	Candece Hansen, MacKenzie Poeschl
May 23	Frankie Hansen, Jeanette Davidson, Alexia Arguello-Barth
May 24	Cheryl Hansen
May 30	Bob Chilcoat, Joel Scheidegger

*Wishing you a very special day filled  
with God's blessings!*

These are the birthdays that are part of the permanent records at church. If one has been missed, please let Rev. Linda know so that she can add the name to her list of birthday special prayers. Thank you.



**Newsletter Deadline: 5/21/25**

## **Calendar**

Pastor office hours are generally Wednesday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. His schedule may vary a little – Please call ahead to make sure he is in the office Thank you!

**May 4** 10:30 am Worship with communion



**May 11** 9:30 am Elders  
10:00 am Fellowship  
10:30 am Worship

**May 18** 10:30 am Worship

**May 25** 10:00 am Fellowship  
10:30 am Worship

**May 26** Memorial Day

**June 1** 10:30 am Worship



**Thank you to the sponsor  
for this month: Tami Barth**

The cost to sponsor two months of the newsletter is \$73.00. A roll of stamps can be used for 2 months of newsletters. Postage is going up again this summer!

Thank you for everyone's generous support."

## NEWSLETTER REMINDER

Once again postage will be going up this summer...In an effort to curb the cost of stamps and envelopes we are encouraging members to allow us to send the newsletters by e-mail if you have email. This also saves on paper and ink.

Please call or text Lynn Schellpeper at 402-860-0896.

Or email to [necchurchsecretary@stanton.net](mailto:necchurchsecretary@stanton.net).

Thank you.



**PLEASE REMEMBER** You are invited to **attend as you feel comfortable.**



### TECHNOLOGISTS

### And LITURGISTS and ELDERS

Thank you for your continued service in time and talents for the church.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION – ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

Offerings to our Church: When you cannot attend, it may be mailed to our financial secretary, Karen Beyke, 1516 4th Street, Stanton, NE 68779. She may be reached at **402-649-8993**. Please leave a message. Thank you!

Date	Attendance	Collections
April 6	23	\$948.00
April 13	36	\$809.00
April 17	13	
April 20 sunrise	53	
April 20	23	\$760.00

### Prayer Requests

***IF YOU WOULD LIKE A NAME ON THE PRAYER LIST, PLEASE LET US KNOW.***

*If you know someone in the hospital, or the nursing visit, please let us know by phone or e-mail –*

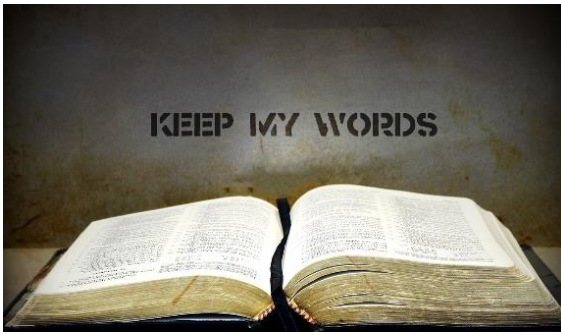
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Thank you for the Easter lilies in memory of Art and Thelma Barr, Arden and Inez Melcher, Orin and Ethel Weatherholt, and Dale Barth, Dale Denney, Jr. Wolf, Con Bernbeck, Precy Miller, and Lois Kingsley.



**Thank you to all who  
Volunteer and give  
In every way**



### ***WORK GROUP FOR April & May***

Johnson, Bill & Darlene CoChair  
 Donna Barr & Nan Hetzler CoChair  
 Barth, Inez  
 Benson, Mary  
 Chilcoat, Bob & Chris  
 Dopson, Wilma  
 Gartner, Matt & Leslie  
 Hansen, Eric & Cheryl  
 Hansen, Ryan & Candace  
 Hasebrook, Chris & Bethany  
 Hekrdle, Terri  
 Hetzler, Curtis  
 Miller, Dallas  
 Reese, Kevin  
 Reese, Jan  
 Schellpeper, Steve & Krissy  
 HONORARY Drott, Mary



### **WORK GROUP 1 June & July**

Barth, Tami Co-Chair  
 Hansen, Howard & Barbara Co-Chair  
 Benson, Lonnie  
 Burtwistle, Scott & Sue  
 Chamberlain, Mark  
 Eberly, Don & Louise  
 Mandl, John & Lynette  
 Mandl, Justin  
 Mandl, Nancy  
 Scheidegger, Joel & Becky  
 Tejkl, Loren & Carey

### **HONORARY**

Barth, Bonnie  
 Simon, Norma



## **ELDERS MEETING**

ELDERS, April 13, 2024

Attendance: Bob C., Rod B., Bob S., Jim D., Howard S., Dallas M., Don E., Barbara H., Bill Johnson, Moderator, Pastor Scott.

Pastor Scott opened meeting with prayer.

President, Bob C. called the meeting to order at 9:30.

Secretary minutes of March 9, 2025 meeting were approved as presented. (Bob S., Howard) Carried Treasurer's report: (Howard, Dallas) moved to accept treasurer's report and have it filed for audit. Reveiwed all bills to be paid.

(Howard,Dallas) moved to pay all bills. Carried.

Old Business: CD was renewed in March.

Frontal altar cloth has been completed. There is no charge.

Bible School this summer: Group Publishing program True North. Barbara will order the starter kit with digital.

Jack has successfully sent the annual Church report to conference.

Other Old Business: Information on memberships for permanent record has been sent to Jack as he is keeping the program up to date.

New Business: (Bob S. Jim) moved to authorize Bob C. to reinvest the parking lot CD at best available rate. Carried

Pastor Scott will be out of state May 10 so not available on May 11. He will send the link for one of his online sermons to Barbara to be downloaded and used that Sunday.

Consensus is to have a service Maundy Thursday with Bob C. and Jim D. doing the service. Sermon by Scott will come via video. Jim will do communion.

Flags on our front lawn are reference points only for the road work.

We need someone to mow the yard this summer. Don will contact Mark Miller.

Discussion and decision by consensus to keep the service at 10:30 this summer. Cont...



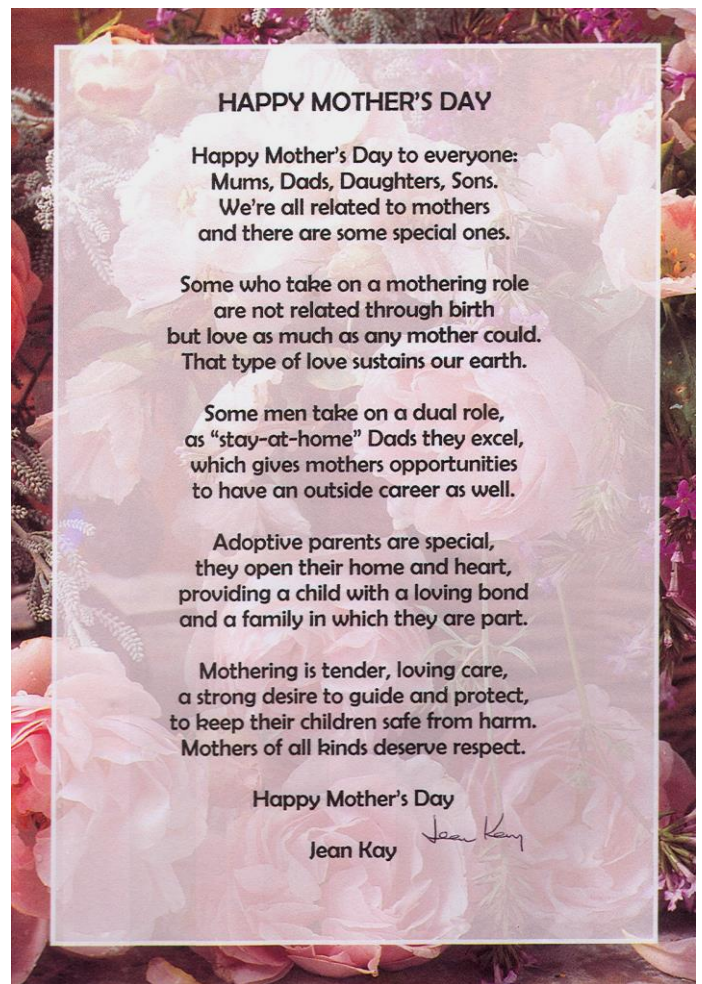
The Church was gifted shares to the Patterson UTI Energy, Inc company many years ago. (Bob S., Rod B) moved for Bob C. to talk to Jon Hansen and do what is necessary to dispose of these shares. Don E. will cover the cost up to reasonable amount. Carried

Rod explained the problem with the gutters and drainage. Some were not put in correctly because the low spot is not by the down spot. Rod will check on a price for the major work of fixing the gutters. Another option would be gutter guard. Our Church received invitation to the installation of the new Tri-Conference Minister administrator. Next meeting: May 11, at 9:30

Upcoming Dates: Easter, April 20. Sunrise at 7:30 followed by breakfast and Easter egg hunt for the children and regular service at 10:30

Council meeting April 27 at 9:30. Changed date because of Easter on 20<sup>th</sup>.

April 27 Jan Reese open house for 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday



*Our joys are made better when sorrow is in the midst of them. And our sorrows become bright through the joys God has planted around them. At first the flowers of the garden may not appear to be our favorites, but we will learn that they are the flowers of the heart. The flowers planted at the grave deep within the Christian heart are love, hope, faith, joy, and peace.*

- Unknown

- **Council, April 27, 2025**

- Attendance: Bill Johnson, Bob Chilcoat, Louise Eberly, Lorena Bernbeck, Barbara Hansen, Pastor Scott Frederickson.
- Pastor Scott opened meeting with prayer. 9:30 Bill called the meeting to order.
- COMMITTEE REPORTS:
- (Louise, Lorena) moved and seconded to nominate and elect Steph Rolf and Cheryl Hansen to the **Board of Education** for 2025. Carried
- **Elders:** Bob asked if we are ok with Pastor Scott and is Pastor Scott ok with us? Consensus is we are doing better then ok. Scott is submitting once a quarter mileage that is fore extra trips.
- Reinvested two different CDs. For six months. Mark Miller will mow the lawn. Flags on lawn are measuring flags not digging flags. If any damage to yard or sprinkler system, the church will be reimbursed for any cost.
- Stocks given by Scheer family many years ago are in process of being cleared of ownership.
- Rod Beyke is researching gutter guards or/and downspout. Possible addition of a downspout by air conditioner by Pastor's office window.
- The Church is still in looking for a secretary as Lynn has resigned but is continuing until someone has been hired.
- **Clerk:** Jack is keeping the records for births, deaths, etc. up to date on the Windows online program.
- **Financial secretary:** Finances for the first quarter were distributed. Figures show the

church is averaging about the same as in past years for the first quarter

- **Technology:** Barbara reported Clayton Rolf is doing an excellent job with the PowerPoint program for church. Bill Johnson also knows how to run the program. Everything else is working ok.
- **Newsletter:** Lynn prepares the Newsletter and Bill and Darlene are currently doing the mailing.
- **Memorial Committee:** Louise reported several flags have been purchased. Some memorials have been received. No requests for expenditures at this time.
- **Historian:** Louise and Donna will get started soon.
- **Church Congregational Fellowship:** Lorena reported two cds were renewed and a third one purchased with the Turkey Supper donations.
- **Scholarships:** Gunnar will graduate in May. Reagan and Kennedie are attending NECC and Jordan is attending UNL. Jackson will also graduate this spring. We have no graduates this year.
- **Unfinished business:** None
- **New business:** Scott asked each of us to think about one or two issues or concerns we have going forward for the Church. What do we want to do? Possible after church a light lunch and Pastor Scott will lead conversation about the issue. He will announce at church.
- July 20 next meeting 9:30