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Birthdays

July 1 – Linda Kuester, Loren Tejkl July 2 – John Mandl July 3 – Darlene Johnson July 7 – Loren Dean Tejkl July 10 – Katelyn Ashker, Gary Benson July 11 – Hazel Schellpeper July 14 – Kelton Van Pelt July 20 – JoAnne Schellpeper July 21 – Jane Remm July 22 – Curtis Hetzler July 26 – SueAnn Ashker, Brad Dahlkoetter,

Kevin Reese

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 April know so that she can add the name to her list of birthday special prayers. Thank you.



Newsletter Deadline: 7/23/25



Calendar

Secretary Office hours are generally Wednesdays 9 am to 12 pm but are subject to change Pastor Scott Frederickson can be reached at: 701-471-6997

- July 4 Independence Day
- July 6 10:30 am Worship Service
- July 13 9:30 Elders Meeting 10 am fellowship 10:30 am Worship
- July 20 10:30 am Worship
- July 21-23 6 7:45 pm VBS
- <u>July 27</u> 10 am fellowship 10:30 am Worship



Thank you to the sponsor for this month: Tami Barth

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Thank you for everyone's generous support.

ELDERS JUNE 8, 2025

Attendance, Howard S., Bob S., Dallas M., Jim D., Don E., Barb H., Moderator Bill J., Pastor Scott.

Meeting opened with prayer by Pastor Scott. Meeting called to order by Moderator Bill Johnson in absence of the Chair and Vice-chair. Minutes of May 11 meeting were accepted as presented. (Dallas, Howard) Treasurer report:

Bills to be paid: Including paying April for 13 hours she worked the last two weeks of May. (Howard, Don) moved to pay April \$400 per month and \$200 for the two weeks in May. Carried (Dallas, Howard moved to pay the bills due for this month. Carried

Old Business: Report that the stock, donated to the Memorial Committee several years ago, has been sold and the check for \$30.70 deposited in that account. **Gutters**: Crafts is no longer in business. Bill would look at them and will talk to Rod. Rod's contractor is interested and is researching all potential possibilities and will have a bid by next meeting. See the map and discussion from last month.

Scott Greve has the sprinkler system back in operation as of Wednesday June 4th.

New Business: Pastor Scott has a couple suggestions for a different way to do communion. Discussion and agreed on a different approach starting in September.

Other New Business: A stream-lined list of Elders weekly Sunday duties: (List may not be everything.)

Each Elder needs to know where and how to:

- > Unlock church before service
- > Turn all applicable lights on
- > Adjust thermostats and fans before church

> Make sure two large candles behind alter are lit

- > Turn on two lamps on podium
- > Make sure sound system is on and working

> Turn on all lighted pictures and display case are on

> Find candlelighter, light candles on Altar.

- > Veteran's donation jar put out
- > Remove doorbell from plugin
- > Close doors to sanctuary just before the beginning of church service
- > Take collection plate to alter for offering
- > Have candlelighter close the candles on Altar during last hymn

> Open doors to sanctuary at the end of church service

- > Make sure all thermostats are set back
- > Change banner and alter cloth for next week
- > Turn off two lamps on podium
- > Make sure sound system is off
- > Veteran's donation jar removed
- > Doorbell returned to plugin
- > Make sure all lighted pictures and display case are turned off
- > Make sure all of the lights are off including restrooms

> Make sure all doors are locked before leaving

Communion Sunday

> Get communion elements for pastor and congregation ready

> Clean up communion elements up after church – outside not down drain

> Make sure there is a supply of communion elements for pastor and congregation for future worship services

Upcoming dates:

Next meeting July 13 at 9:30

VBS here July 21, 22, 23 three days PASTOR Scott gone two Sundays in July to finish business In Florida; July 20 and July 27. 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 – 402-439-2175 <u>congregationalchurch@stanton.net</u> Church website at <u>stantonnecucc.org.</u>

Where is your Faith? Find your faith working for the Lord.

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 <u>402-649-8993</u>. Please leave a message. Thank you!

Date	Attendance	Collections
June 1	25	\$1181
June 8	23	\$587.07
June 15	23	\$482
June 22	22	\$512
June 29	19	\$665

VBS True North July 21st-23rd New England Congregational Church 6pm-7:45pm for kids in preschool — 6th grade. For more information or to sign up as a volunteer, contact: April at 402-925-8686



WORK GROUP FOR August & September Group 2

Beyke, Rod & Karen Co-Chair Hansen, Bill & Jan Co-Chair Benson, Brian & Wendy Benson, Gary & Bonnie Bernbeck, Cody & Alysha Bernbeck, Lorena Daniel, Grant Daniel, Grant Daniel, Kevin & Jacque Denney, Lola Kuester, Linda Noelle, Dennis Seier, Jill Stamm, Tim

HONORARY

Denney-Colsden, Joy Schellpeper, Joanne



This is a **"Thank you"** to all the women of the Church that I call to bring food or help at the funeral lunches. You are all so willing, it makes calling easier. The families that we serve are so appreciative of this courtesy. I always think of our past members that helped at the funerals years ago. We can be proud of this service we provide to members and friends. **THANK YOU**, for being so willing.

Ice Cream in a Bag

1 cup half and half OR ½ cup whole milk and ½ cup cream 1/2 tsp imitation vanilla extract 1 tbsp sugar ice 1/4 cup salt Ziploc bags 1 Small, 1 Large

Pour 1 cup of half and half into a small Ziploc bag. Add ½ TSP of vanilla extract and 1 TBSP of sugar. Seal the bag firmly and get any excess air out.

In the larger Ziploc bag, fill it about $\frac{1}{2}$ way with ice. Add $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of salt.

Place your small bag into the big bag and fill with extra ice on top. Seal the large bag. Shake bag for 6 minutes.

Take the small bag out of the large bag and rinse the outside of the small bag with cold water. Make sure to rinse the seal so salt does not enter the small bag when you open it.

The ice cream will be a little icy looking to start. Use a spoon to mix it around and soften it up a little bit.

Scoop out and enjoy!



Lorena Bernbeck