

**AUGUST  
2025**

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**Birthdays**

|           |                         |
|-----------|-------------------------|
| August 2  | Barbara Dorsey          |
| August 3  | Joy Denny Colsden       |
| August 4  | Julia Schuetz           |
| August 7  | Rod Beyke               |
| August 9  | Gatlin Davidson         |
| August 11 | Gunnar Davidson         |
| August 13 | Jim Dorsey, Emily Stamm |
| August 14 | Brian Benson            |
| August 15 | Ella Rolf               |
| August 22 | Reagan Benson           |

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



**Newsletter Deadline: Aug 27 /2025**

**Calendar**

**O**ffice hours are generally Wednesdays **9 am to 12 pm but are subject to change**

- Aug 3:**      10:30 am Worship with communion
  
- Aug 10:**    9:30 am Elders meeting  
                  10:00 am Fellowship,  
                  10:30 am Worship
  
- Aug 17:**    10:00 am Worship
  
- Aug 20:**    10:00 am Worship
  
- Aug 24:**    10:00 am Fellowship,  
                  10:30 am Worship
  
- Aug 31:**    10:30 am Worship



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## ELDERS JULY 13, 2025

Attendance: Bob C, Bob S, Rod B, Jim D, Howard S, Barb H, Reggie Alder, Moderator Bill J, Pastor Scott F.

Meeting opened with prayer by Pastor Scott.

Meeting called to order by chair Bob C. at 9:30.

**Minutes** of the June 8 meeting were approved as presented. (Howard, Rod)

**Treasurer's** report:

**Bills** to be paid as listed: including exterminator, scholarships. Moved to pay bills (Howard, Rod) Carried.

**Old Business:** Gutters, estimate received from SullyWorks, Trevor Sullivan. Moved to accept the estimate \$2800. and proceed with the work (Bob S., Jim D.) Carried

Discussion concerning Communion starting in September. Tabled until August meeting.

No questions concerning the list of duties we as Elders are to do, mostly every Sunday.

**New Business:** Financial secretary report: Accepted as presented. There is a concern with the drop in monthly donations.

Treasurer position: Jim Dorsey asked to be replaced as treasurer. Reggie Alder has been asked and is willing to adept the position. He will be officially appointed at the Council meeting.

Veteran's donations were donated to the Stanton Memorial Park.

Jim Dorsey offered to conduct the service on the two Sundays Pastor Scott will be out of state. Barbara has his sermons to be added to the PowerPoint.

The laptop and the television have been connected directly with a HMDI cable. The Memorial committee paid for the labor with funds designated for technology. The cable was donated.

Discussion concerning the green stuff on the parking lot. Bob C. will contact Jack Scherer for spraying. Jack is too busy now so Bob sprayed a majority of the parking lot.

## NECC Council meeting July 20, 2025

Attendance: Bill Johnson, Bob Chilcoat, Lorena Bernbeck, Louise Eberly, Barb Hansen, April Alder, and Reggie Alder.

Meeting called to order at 9:30 by Moderator Bill Johnson. He opened the meeting with prayer.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Board of Ed:** Barb reported they are currently working on VBS which will be July 21-23. Next is deciding on Sunday Church School.

**Elders:** Bob C. reported the air conditioner for south part of building is no longer working. The compressor is done. The whole system is very old; Bob is collecting information on cost and what needs to be replaced. May take a complete reinstall of a totally new system.

Gutters will be fixed and leaf guard installed including another downspout.

Parking lot continues to break up; the cracks were full of weeds and Bob C. has done some spraying.

On September we will have a change on how we celebrate communion. The time is the same, just distribution of the elements will be more like before covid.

Duties for Elders before and after church and during communion were distributed and discussed.

It was brought to our attention that the lights in the parking lot have not had the glass fixed,

**Financial report** – contributions down about \$1000 each month. Communication with members will be soon.

Money for Veteran \$137+ was given to the Stanton Memorial Park.

Jim D. asked to step down as treasurer and has been showing Reggie Alder all that is involved. Reggie is willing to do the treasurer position.

**Technology:** for better connection between the laptop and the television a HDMI cable was connected between the two.

**Newsletter:** April is now doing all the newsletter including the mailing and sending by email

**Memorial:** Louise reported three funerals and donations have been received for each. Funds paid out were \$245 for Stanton Telecom to trouble shoot and install the HDMI cable. Memorials had been designated for technology.

**Historian:** working on the newspapers and collecting articles and pictures.

Woman's Fellowship: Funds were disbursed for the Agape supper, organist, maintenance, memorials and funds were incoming for roll Sunday and donations for six funerals.

**Scholarship:** We had no graduates this year. We have three on scholarship. Article will follow in the newsletter.

(Louise, Lorena) moved to accept the committee reports. Carried.

January 19, 2025 Annual meeting minutes were distributed. (Bob C, Louise) moved to accept the annual report. Carried.

**New Business:** Reggie Alder has volunteered to be treasurer. According to the New England Congregational Church's By-Laws He is to be appointed by Council and will be up for election in January at the Annual meeting. As Moderator of the Council, Bill Johnson appointed Reginald Alder as treasurer for the rest of 2025 effective today.

Bill appointed Barb to send Sara Kment a thank you note for all she has done to help with VBS. Following discussion at an Elders meeting, we are hoping to invite the St. Lukes church members August 24, or August 17 to attend our service and stay for a pot-luck meal. Discussion with Pastor Scott and a formal invitation will need to be sent.

April Alder asked the Church to consider a potluck or something for our congregation for Thanksgiving. This was given to the Ladies Fellowship for discussion, planning, etc.

Our next meeting will be October 19, at 9:30.

# 145<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NEW ENGLAND CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST JANUARY 19, 2025

The 145<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the New England Congregational UCC Church was called to order by moderator William Johnson at 11:20am. A quorum was declared with 20 voting members present and 13 proxy votes. An opening prayer was given by Reverend Scott Frederickson.

## ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS AND QUESTIONS

Board of Elders – Motion to approve Robert Schellpeper. Second Don Eberly. Carried

Church Clerk – Motion to approve John Mandl. Second Tami Barth. Carried

Congregational Fellowship - Motion to approve James Dorsey. Second Tami Barth. Carried

Memorial Committee - Motion to approve Lynn Schellpeper. Second Dallas Miller. Carried

Technology – Motion to approve Mark Chamberlain. Second Don Eberly. Carried

Scholarship Committee – Motion to approve John Mandl. Second Tami Barth. Carried

Newsletter – Motion to approve Robert Schellpeper. Second Mark Chamberlain. Carried

Financial Secretary – Motion to approve James Dorsey. Second John Mandl. Carried

Treasurer – Motion to approve Robert Schellpeper, Second Mark Chamberlain. Carried

OLD BUSINESS - No Thanksgiving Dinner this year

No old business to be discussed.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Christian Education** – Due to not having enough teachers, our students are attending Sunday School at St. Lukes ECLA. We are financially supporting our children and substituting as needed.

**Pastoral Search Committee** – Reverend Dr. Scott Frederickson is under contract for parttime service. The Pastoral Search Committee is no longer active.

## **Budget 2025 Approval**

The proposed budget for 2025 was presented. It has been voted to approve by the Elders.

Motion to approve – Robert Chilcoat. Second Jerett Rolf. Carried. On File.

## OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOMINATED FOR 2024

| OFFICE  | CANDIDATE TO BE ELECTED | SERVING CURRENT TERM   |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Moderator   | William Johnson         | John Mandl   |
| Church Clerk (Elected for 3 year term, May be elected for 1 additional term)        |                         | Jack Best  |
| Financial Secretary (Elected for 3 year term, May be elected for 1 additional term) | Karen Beyke             |  |
| Treasurer (Elected for 3 year term, May be elected for 1 additional term)           |                         | Janet Roenfeldt (has resigned the position)  |
| Board of Trustees (Elected for 3 year term, May be elected for 1 additional term)   |                         | Jim Dorsey ,Gary Benson, Mark Chamberlain, Howard Schuetz, Robert Schellpeper, Robert Chilcoat, JR, oyce Goshorn, Michael Eberly |
| Diaconate (Elected for 3 year term, May be elected for 1 additional term)           |                         | Jack Best, Don Eberly, Tami Barth, Barbara Hansen, Bill Johnson, SueAnn Ashker, Ryan Hansen, Jerett Rolf                         |

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|---|---|--|
| Church Fellowship Service Committee (Elected for 3 year term)   |   | Lorena Bernbeck, Phyllis Dahlkoetter, Barbara Hansen |
| Auditor (Elected for 1 year term, indefinite re-election)   | Don Eberly  |  |
| Superintendent of Christian Education (Elected for 1 year term, indefinite)   |   |  |
| Board of Christian Education (Elected at the annual meeting - Current Sunday school teachers typically make up the board) | Steph Rolf, Cheryl Hansen, Bethany Reese                    |  |
| Memorial Committee (Elected for 1 year term, indefinite re-election)  | Louise Eberly, Kim Poeschl, Candace Hansen, Darlene Johnson |  |
| Newsletter Committee (Elected annually at annual meeting)   |   |  |
| Technology Committee (Elected to 1 year term, indefinite re-election)   | Barb Hansen, Dallas Miller                                  |  |
| Historian - Archivist (Elected annually at annual meeting)  | Donna Barr, Louise Eberly                                   |  |

Acceptance of full slate of officers and committees. Motion to Approve Don Eberly, Second, Bob Schellpeper. Carried.

### **Minister Search Committee Update**

With the contract with Rev. Dr. Scott Frederickson for part time service. The current Minister Search Committee has finished their obligation.

### **Other Business:**

With no new or additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45a.m.

## **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!

| <b>Date</b>    | <b>Attendance</b> | <b>Collections</b> |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| <b>June 29</b> | <b>19</b>         | <b>\$665</b>       |
| <b>July 6</b>  | <b>21</b>         | <b>\$2206</b>      |
| <b>July 13</b> | <b>21</b>         | <b>\$457.42</b>    |
| <b>July 20</b> | <b>18</b>         | <b>\$515</b>       |

**We are still Looking  
for Sunday School  
staff. If you can teach  
one or two Sundays  
out of the month,  
please contact:**

**Barb Hansen  
402-640-0096**



## **WORK GROUP FOR August & Sept GROUP 4**

Johnson, Bill and Darlene      Co-Chair  
Barr, Donna      Co-Chair

Barth, Inez  
Chilcoat, Bob & Chris  
Benson, Mary  
Dopson, Wilma  
Drott, Mary  
Gartner, Matt & Leslie  
Hansen, Eric & Cheryl  
Hansen, Ryan & Candace  
Hasebrook, Chris & Bethany  
Hekrdle, Terr  
Miller, Dallas  
Reese, Kevin  
Reese, Jan  
Schellpeper, Steve & Krisy

A heartfelt **"THANK YOU!"** to everyone who helped make VBS successful this year. Without the help from all the volunteers, who decorated, baked, taught, ran for supplies, put up, tore down, cleaned up and so much more, none of it would have been possible. **You are all amazing!!!**  
**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**



## **Butter Milk Pie**

- 3 large eggs
- 1 ½ cups white sugar
- ½ cup butter, softened
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- ⅛ teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
- 1 (9 inch) unbaked deep dish pie crust

**Preheat oven to 350 degrees**

**Beat eggs in a large bowl until frothy**

**Add sugar, butter and flour, beat until smooth**

**Stir in buttermilk, leamon juice, vanilla and nutmeg**

**Pour into pie shell**

**Bake in the preheated oven until center is firm- 40-60 minutes**

**Remove from oven and cool for 1 hour before serving**

