

New Covenant Bible Church

Meet The Candidates

April 2019 Elder/Deacon Candidates

Elders



Jeff Dunham*

Jeff was born in Marshalltown, Iowa, and moved to Cedar Rapids in 1983. Jeff and his wife, Maria, have attended New Covenant since 1991. Over the past 28 years, he has served as an elder and deacon, as well as with children, youth and men's ministries. Jeff is currently a High School sponsor and serves on the Sunday morning Parking Team. He enjoys outdoor activities like hunting, fishing, and watching sports (Iowa football and basketball). Others describe him as a gentleman who is caring, faithful, a good listener and communicator. He has several favorite Bible verses, including 1 John 1:9; Ephesians 2:8-9; 2 Timothy 1:7 and John 3:16.



Ed Luebe

Ed grew up in Clinton, Iowa, and moved to Cedar Rapids in 1985. Ed and his wife, Christine, have been attending New Covenant since that time, and they are currently serving as a Mentor Couple for the Oasis ABF. Ed recently chaired the Senior Pastor Search Committee and has served as an Elder and Deacon, as well as on various committees in the past. Ed and Christine enjoy travel, hiking/ walking, and spending time with their grandkids. He says that those who know him well describe him as someone who loves people, is caring, committed and a faithful friend. Ed's favorite Bible verses include 2 Timothy 2:2; Romans 5:8 and Romans 8:28.

Deacons



Al Eilers (Worship)

Al and his wife, Laura, moved to Cedar Rapids in 1980 and have been attending New Covenant since 2004. He has been serving in the choir, worship team and occasionally teaches in the Koinonia ABF. He was appointed as Worship Deacon last year and will be on the ballot for his first two-year deacon term beginning in June. Al enjoys singing, playing acoustic guitar, reading, playing board games, computers, and camping vacations. He can be described as kind, dependable, principled, a good listener and creative storyteller. Al's favorite Bible verse is 2 Corinthians 12:9.

Deacons



Tom Scanlon* (Chairman)

Originally from Minnesota, Tom and his wife, Lori, have attended New Covenant for 24 years. Tom is currently serving as the Deacon Chairman and is involved in the Administration Committee, parking ministry and worship production. He has also served as Deacon of Treasury in the past. He says those who know him well describe him as thoughtful and hard-working. He enjoys working with teams, math, science, exercising, biking, and spending time with his family and friends. Tom's favorite Bible verse is Colossians 3:23-24.



Matt Schouten* (At Large)

Matt moved to Cedar Rapids in 2003 after living in Ashland, Wisconsin, and attending Iowa State University in Ames. Matt has been at New Covenant for over 15 years and has served as our Young Adult Deacon for the past four. Matt helps with running the sound booth on Sunday mornings. He and his wife Amber are involved in FX and a Life Group. They enjoy reading, bike riding, walking, and hiking with their three children. Matt likes computer programming and is a Packers fan. People describe him as a servant who cares about others, is soft-spoken and has an incredible ability to eat. He has had several favorite Bible verses over the years and thinks Micah 6:8 is a good one!



Nick Zuber * (Global Outreach)

Nick grew up in the Amana Colonies and he moved to Cedar Rapids from Chicago with his wife Kristie in 1999. They have been members of New Covenant since 2000. They helped develop children's ministries in the past as part of a team with Alice Pei, and served as Senior High Youth Sponsors for almost 10 years. They are currently serving on the Global Outreach missions committee and have participated in short-term missions teams to Zimbabwe (once) and Czech Republic (three times). He enjoys playing games, movies, reading, baking bread and fixing up his home. Those who know him well describe him as friendly, outgoing, thoughtful and consistent. His favorite Bible verse is John 3:16.