

**March 28, 2021**

## **Welcome to Lebanon Christian Reformed Church**

**The mission of Lebanon CRC is**  
*To live by and grow in faith, hope, and love—together.*

### **WEEKLY SERVICES & MINISTRIES AT LEBANON**

**Today we celebrate Palm Sunday**, remembering Jesus' triumphal entry to Jerusalem, hailed as the Son of David. Pastor Bob's sermon, "Who Believes?" is from Mark 11:1-11 and Isaiah 53:1-3. We will explore how Jesus must shape the expectations of our faith, instead of thinking our expectations will shape who Jesus is.

We will prepare this morning for the celebration of the Lord's Supper at the Maundy Thursday worship service.

We gather for worship on April 1, **Maundy Thursday**, at 7:00 PM. The worship service will trace the Seven Words of the Cross, which Jesus proclaimed in his crucifixion. We will celebrate the Lord's Supper.

Next week we anticipate Easter Sunday worship. We will gather at 7:00 AM, as the morning sun is rising. Pastor Bob's sermon "Fear No More" will be from Mark 16:1-8 and Isaiah 53:11-12. A breakfast will be served following the worship service.

#### **Today's offerings: Budget / Justice for All (JFA)**

Maundy Thursday Offering: Hope Haven

Next Sunday's offerings: Dekkers Mission / Resonate

**Ministry Spotlight:** Next week we will take offering for Resonate. Resonate Global is tasked with providing leadership to the Christian Reformed Church in sharing the Gospel until it reverberates through the whole world. Their mandate is not only to provide leadership to our partner missionaries, church planters, and campus ministers—their mandate is to provide leadership to the denomination.

#### **Serving One Another**

Refreshments after morning worship today and remembering our shut-ins this week: Jaron & Kadee Van Beek

Refreshments after morning worship next Sunday and remembering our shut-ins next week: none – Easter breakfast

### **CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Church Education** will meet today after the morning service. No Sunday School / Catechism on Easter Sunday.

Anyone interested in **donating an Easter Lily for the Easter Sunrise Service**, please call Edie Dekkers at 712-441-4536

Thank you so much for the meals, cards, gifts and visits celebrating the birth of Zion! We appreciate all the love that you have shown our family! - Jason & Amanda

If you have an announcement or prayer request for the bulletin, please contact Pastor Bob or Secretary Sara Yesda. Pastor Bob's email - robert.drenten@gmail.com Pastor Bob's phone (712) 395-0552

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Thursday, April 1 at 7:00pm.** - Maundy Thursday service with communion. Offering for Hope Haven.

**Easter Sunrise Service** at 7:00am. on Sunday, April 4. Youth Group will serve breakfast following the service with free will donations accepted.

**Sunday, April 11 - 6:00pm. evening service at Lebanon.** Fellowship Coffee hostesses: Kim D. and Val H.

**Council meeting April 12.** The consistory meets 6:30pm, and the council at 7:30pm.

**Christian Education Auction** – Wednesday, April 14. See your church mailbox for further information about donations.

**Sunday, May 2 – 6:00pm. Evening service at Lebanon.** Fellowship Coffee will be served.

The **National Day of Prayer** is Thursday, May 6. Carmel Reformed Church will host a prayer service at 7:00 PM. Lebanon Church and Peace Lutheran Church will participate in this service.

## PRAYERS & PRAISES

- For our shut-ins:
  - Adrian Kruid resides at home in Sioux Center with Greeta
  - Christina Vander Esch resides at Oak Hill Assisted Living in Hawarden
- For our faith, hope, and love to grow as we join all Christians, remembering Jesus' journey to the cross and through the tomb from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday
- For the Lord's blessing on the spring fieldwork. For the blessings of safety and for the Lord to provide the needed conditions for planting and growth of our crops
- For Ireton Christian School in their search for new teachers
- For Steve & Tara Dekkers to share the gospel in their mission work
- For Sos & Kara Maletoungou, and the Christian schools they serve in East Africa
- For Pastor Cory & Arla Van Sloten, that God would encourage them through his chaplaincy deployment overseas
- Praying for our Local Congregations: March 28 – Bridge of Hope Congregation, they are currently seeking a pastor.

## ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Western Christian Grandparent's Day** - The date for Grandparent's Day has been updated to **Tuesday, May 18, 2021**. We invite all Grandparent's of Senior students to join us from 9:00-11:00am on that day.

**Hope Haven, Inc.** will host their Annual Benefit Auction on Friday, April 9 at TeSlaa Trucking in Hull. Help support the local and global ministries of Hope Haven through this exciting evening of fun and fellowship. The evenings schedule is: doors open at 4:30pm; food booth opens at 5:00pm; the live auction begins at 5:30pm. Visit [hopehaven.org](http://hopehaven.org) to see a list of items. The whole family is invited to this community event.

**Ireton Christian School's Annual Bluegrass Gospel Concert** will be held at the B.J. Haan Auditorium on the Dordt University Campus on Saturday, April 10. The two groups performing are The Anderegg Family and New Legacy. Show times are 2:30pm and 7:00pm. Tickets are \$15 at the door or can be purchased from the Ireton Christian School. Children ages 15 and under are free.

Dear Friends and Ministry Partners- Thank you for your ongoing prayers and support towards the work and ministry of Christian education in West Africa! We are excited about what we see God doing and are writing to ask for your prayers for a few specific needs.

-Next week, we will be leading a training for Advanced Educational Care facilitators to equip emerging Christian education leaders to run with the vision and train others in their school communities.

-As part of that week, jointly with the association of Christian schools in West Africa, we will host a national convention for Christian school leaders. The theme will be "The Church, Christian Pedagogy, and Social Transformation" and Sos has accepted the invitation of the national leaders to be the main speaker for that event. The convention will climax with the election of new board members for the national association of evangelical schools. Thank you for praying for God's special strength, favor and anointing as we serve these various ministry invitations and that the Lord will provide us with the servant leaders who will guide the movement of Christian education in the community! In Christ, Sosthene and Kara Maletoungou