Welcome to Lebanon Christian Reformed Church! The mission of Lebanon CRC is to live by and grow in faith, hope, and love—together.

Today's offerings: Dekkers Mission / The Banquet of Sioux Falls

Next Sunday's offerings: Classis Iakota Ministry Shares / Ireton Cadet Club

Serving One Another

Nursery today: Arlo & LaVonne Bonnema / Nursery next Sunday: Katie Bonnema Refreshments after morning worship today and visiting our shut-ins this week: Myron & Nancy Gradert Refreshments after morning worship next Sunday and visiting our shut-ins next week: Orlan & Evie Gulker

Congregational Announcements

Women are invited to a time of fellowship with Christina Vander Esch at the Oak Hill Assisted Living facility on Tuesday, August 6 at 10 a.m.

Next Sunday, August 11, after morning worship, there is a gift shower in the church basement for Joseph and Francis Cave. All are invited to attend!

We are providing and serving the evening meal at The Banquet (900 East 8th Street) in Sioux Falls on Monday, August 12 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. We need 6-8 volunteers to prepare the meal at 2 p.m. and 35-40 volunteers to serve the meal at 5:15 p.m. Everyone able and available, including children and young people age 10+, are encouraged to help. "I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink…" Jesus. <u>thebanquetsf.org</u>

The Lebanon Community Picnic is Thursday, August 15 at 6 p.m. Invitations to people in the Lebanon area have been sent and you are welcome and encouraged to invite your neighbors from outside of the Lebanon area. Please bring lawn chairs, a hot dish and a salad or dessert to share, and any yard games that people might enjoy.

Consistory (elders) and council (elders and deacons) will next meet Monday, August 19; consistory at 6:30 p.m. and council at 7:30 p.m. As always, direct any questions or concerns to an elder or deacon or Pastor Cory.

Please consider donating items for the Family Crisis Center and the Food Pantry in Sioux Center. A table is set up in the southwest corner of the narthex for donated items through August. Items needed are: Family Crisis Center (shampoo, conditioner, lotion, body wash, hand soap, deodorant, toilet paper); Food Pantry (toilet paper, oatmeal, muffin mix, cake mix, cereal).

Congregational Prayers and Praises

*For our shut-ins:

Elmer Bonnema	Resides at Crown Pointe Assisted Living in Sioux Center
Adrian Kruid	Resides at home in Sioux Center with Greeta
Christina Vander Esch	Resides at Oak Hill Assisted Living in Hawarden
*For our church, that we would live by and grow in faith, hope, and love-together	
*For our elderly members and parents and grandparents whose health is declining due to age	
*For others dealing with health concerns, for healing mercy and/or sufficient grace	
*For those grieving the death of loved ones and longing to be reunited with them through Jesus	
*For our marriages, that they would reflect the love of Jesus for the church	
*For our children, that they would grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus	
*For our missionaries and their work in Texas and West Africa	
*For Dan and Miranda and Emma and baby girl Gradert, due in September	
*For Jaron & Kadee and Tatum and baby Van Beek, due in January	
*For Derek Bonnema and Alexa Schut, engaged to be united in covenant marriage April 18	

Local and Denominational Announcements

Sioux County Youth for Christ's Annual Peach Sale is back! These are Colorado grown and handpicked, delicious and mouthwatering peaches! Each 18 lb. lug is \$38. Order by Monday, August 12 to pick up on Monday, August 19. Pick up will be at the City Life Teen Center in Hawarden at 1305 23rd Street. Mail orders and checks may be sent to Sioux County Youth for Christ, P.O. Box 186, Hawarden, Iowa 51023 or you may order and pay online at <u>siouxlandyfc.org</u> for an additional 50 cents per lug to cover a processing fee. Questions? Contact Tom Cook at (701) 269-6259.

Western Christian High School is celebrating its 100th anniversary of providing Christian education to covenant youth Friday–Sunday, August 9–11. Alumni, parents, and friends of WCHS are invited to celebrate through various activities that you can find at <u>westernchristianhs.com</u>. Registration for the Saturday night banquet is now closed.

Love INC of Sioux County in Rock Valley is offering four Love & Learn fall classes: Parenting, Grief Share, Faith & Finances (practical money management skills with optional mentorship), and Affirming Potential (personal evaluation of physical, emotional, relational and spiritual areas of life). A fifth class, Redemptive Compassion, will be specifically offered to church members, leaders and anyone interested in exploring how we can offer help that ultimately brings freedom rather than enables people to remain in a constant state of need. We'll explore together what it means to offer charitable compassion hand-in-hand with developmental compassion. Register by August 26 by calling the Love INC of Sioux County office in Rock Valley at (712) 476-5990.

Bible League International's 2019 Tri-State Conference is Monday–Tuesday, September 9–10 at First Reformed Church in Sioux Center. The conference, with the theme, "His Plan... Our Purpose" features a dinner and introduction to Bible League International ministry on Monday, September 9 beginning at 6:30 p.m. and morning and afternoon conference sessions on Tuesday, September 10 beginning at 9:30 a.m. and concluding by 3:30 p.m. Keynote speaker Kendra Broekhuis (kendrabroekhuis.com) will share what she has learned about trusting God by taking one day at a time, and by praying "Your will be done." Tickets for the Monday dinner are \$15 and tickets for the Tuesday conference are \$30, which includes lunch, and can be purchased online through September 3 at <u>bibleleague.org/tickets</u>.

From Back to God Ministries International

Groundwork: Faith and Depression ~ Depression does not discriminate. It affects believers and unbelievers alike and can feel like an oppressive and ever-present sense of darkness. Join Groundwork as we study Psalm 88, Psalm 42, and John 16:33 to discover how Scripture both reflects and speaks to the human experience of depression. Listen now at <u>GroundworkOnline.com</u> and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Family Fire is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at <u>familyfire.reframemedia.com</u>. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

From Faith Formation Ministries

Family Faith Formation Tip: Fred Rogers once said, "When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping." When an ambulance or fire truck passes, cultivate compassion with your kids by praying together for the people who may be hurt or sick or in trouble and for the people who are rushing to help them. <u>crena.org/FaithFormation</u>