

Morning Worship ~ 9:45 a.m. / Evening Worship ~ 6 p.m.

August 18, 2019

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: Building Fund / Cornerstone Prison Church

Next Sunday's offerings: General Fund / Love INC (In the Name of Christ) of Sioux County

Serving One Another

Nursery today: Jon & Lydia Korthuis / Nursery next Sunday: Rick & Kay De Boom

Refreshments after morning worship today and visiting our shut-ins this week: Barry & Jodi Haverhals

Refreshments after morning worship next Sunday and visiting our shut-ins next week: Rob & Val Haverhals

Congregational Announcements

Thank you to those who prepared and served the meal at The Banquet in Sioux Falls and special thanks to Ken and Julie Dragstra for coordinating this service opportunity again!

Consistory (elders) and council (elders and deacons) will 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.

Next Sunday, August 25, our friends from Hawarden and Ireton CRC's will join us for evening worship. Edie Dekkers and Joy Steenhoek will be serving refreshments following the serve.

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 Center Christian School invites you to their Back to School Bash on Saturday, August 24! Come for a freewill supper served from 5-7 p.m. to benefit the Legacy Plan. Inflatables and activities will be available for kids from 4-7 p.m. and a family-friendly movie will be shown at 7 p.m. in the gym.

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.

Dordt University invites you to a campus and community worship service on Thursday, August 29 at around 10 p.m. at the Sioux Center Open Space Park football complex. This is part of Dordt's Week of Welcome and will follow the football team's season opener at 7 p.m. versus Keiser University.

Justice For All invites you to their Annual Fall Auction and Picnic which will take place on Thursday, September 5 at the JFA Ministry Center in Rock Valley. A meal will begin serving at 5:30 p.m. and the live auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. We are starting to collect items for the auction so if you would like to donate an item, please contact Joel De Wit at JFA (712) 476-2804 or joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org. This is one of JFA's most important fund raising events so we hope that you will come and support the on-going ministry of JFA as we continue to share and care in Christ's name!

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 bibleleague.org/tickets.

From Back to God Ministries International

Groundwork: Faith and Chronic Pain or Illness ~ Cancer diagnoses, long-term illnesses, and chronic pain can alter our daily reality and cast a shadow of uncertainty over our future hopes and dreams. Join Groundwork and study passages like Romans 8:18-26 and Psalm 13 to gain a spiritual perspective on chronic pain and illness, and to find out how your faith can support you throughout the journey. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com 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 familyfire.reframemedia.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

From Faith Formation Ministries

Family Faith Formation Tip: Give an anxious child a tangible reminder that God is with him or her. Maybe it's a special bracelet or necklace, or a small “pocket stone” with the word “Peace” written on it. Having something meaningful to hold on to in anxious moments can help a lot. crcna.org/FaithFormation