

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

September 2, 2018

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: Classis Iakota Ministry Shares / Gospel Mission of Sioux City

Next Sunday's offerings: Building Fund / Mid-Sioux Opportunity

Serving One Another

Nursery today: Arla Van Sloten / Nursery next Sunday: Maddie Cave

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

Refreshments after morning worship next Sunday and visiting our shut-ins next week: Derek & Kylie Koenen

Congregational Announcements

Next Sunday morning, September 9, we will kick-off our Grow Groups study on the book of James (LifeWay.com/JamesStudy). We will gather in the sanctuary together at 9:45 a.m. for the Session 1 (24 minutes) video in this 13-session study and then breakout into small groups in the narthex, the balcony, the council room, and the east and west sides of the basement. Nursery will be provided for little ones and supervision will be provided for preschool – 1st grade while small groups meet. All other children and young people are welcome and encouraged to join a small group. At 11 a.m., we will transition to sharing a potluck meal together in the basement.

Church Potluck. There will be an all-church potluck on Sunday, Sept. 9 following our morning service. Please bring a hot dish and a salad or dessert. Tableware will be furnished. Beverages will also be furnished. This event will be celebrating the beginning of our fall season as well as celebrating our remodeled basement. We hope that many of you will be able to attend.

Sunday School and high school catechism is being coordinated and will begin September 16. More details next Sunday.

Tyler Dunn's address at U.S. Army Advanced Individual Training is: PFC Tyler Dunn ~ 5th PLT, A CO, 554th EN BN ~ 6221 Iowa Ave. ~ Ft. Leonard Wood, MO 65473. Please encourage him with mail while he is away at training!

Women of all ages are invited to a time of fellowship on the first and third Tuesday of each month (September 4 & 18) at 10 a.m. at Casey's Bakery to connect with and encourage each other. You may come and go as you please.

We will host the meeting of Classis Iakota on Tuesday, September 18. You are welcome to attend. classisiakota.org

Consistory (elders) and council (elders and deacons) will next meet Tuesday, September 18; 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.

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
Severt Vander Esch	Resides at Oak Hill Assisted Living in Hawarden with Christina

*For our elderly members and parents and grandparents whose health is declining due to age

*For those grieving the death of loves ones and longing to be reunited with them through Jesus

*For others dealing with health concerns; for healing mercy and/or sufficient grace

*For our children, that they would grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus

*For our marriages, that they would reflect the love of Jesus for the church

*For our missionaries and their work in College Station, Texas and Guinea, Africa

*For Cate Cave, living in Chiapas, Mexico

*For Tyler Dunn as he attends U.S. Army Advanced Individual Training at Fort Leonard Wood, MO

*For Jon and Lydia and Jenny and baby Korthuis, due in November

*For Joseph Cave and Francis Momberg, engaged to be married December 1

*For Josh and Leah and baby Gradert, due in January

Other Announcements

Gary and Martha Matthews in concert at Carmel Reformed Church Sunday, September 9 at 6:30. The concert includes a diversity of music using the piano and organ, trumpet, voices, flute, and handbells. Freewill offering will be received.

Bible League International's Minn-Ia-Kota Retreat is Tuesday, September 11 at First Reformed Church in Sioux Center. Sign up today; space is limited. Enjoy key note speaker Liz Curtis Higgs and an evening concert by the Matthews. For more information and registration details, go to bibleleague.org/retreat18.

Love INC of Sioux County's fall session of Love & Learn classes will be Tuesday evenings, September 11 – November 27, from 6:45 to 8:15 p.m. at Trinity Christian Reformed Church in Rock Valley. We will be offering our Faith & Finance class and GriefShare. If you would be to help support these programs, we could use volunteers for greeters, coffee/snack makers and servers, childcare coordinator/workers, and Faith & Finance mentors. If you would like to volunteer or register for these classes, contact Love INC at (712) 476-5990 by September 4. loveincsiouxcounty.org

Ireton Christian School's Rally Day Sale is Saturday, September 15 with supper (taverns, hot dogs, coneys, chips, desserts and drink) at 5 p.m. and the auction at 6 p.m. Come for a night of food and fellowship while supporting ICS.

Healing the Wounded Heart conference is Friday evening and Saturday, September 28-29 at B.J. Haan Auditorium on the campus of Dordt College. *Healing the Wounded Heart* conference speaks into many of the painful and often hidden issues resulting from sexual abuse, providing hope for survivors and those who know or work with victims of sexual abuse. This event is being brought to Sioux Center by Sioux Center Christian School, Bethesda Christian Counseling and Dordt College. Visit theallendercenter.org/event/healing-the-wounded-heart-september-28-2018/ for more information and to register online. The early bird registration (\$70) deadline is September 9.

“Good Battle” Israel Tours: There are still trips to Israel in 2018 or 2019 with author Cliff Graham and his team at 60% off of the normal price for a guided Israel tour—first come, first served. If interested or for more information, go to goodbattletours.com, or contact Cliff Graham at hello@cliffgraham.com, or check out his Facebook page at facebook.com/cliffgrahamauthor, or talk to Charlie or Nola or Amanda Van Driessen.

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