

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

September 8, 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: CRCNA Ministry Shares / Sioux County Youth for Christ

Next Sunday's offerings: Building Fund / Benevolence Fund

Serving One Another

Nursery today: Harry & Pam Dekkers / Nursery next Sunday: Verlyn & Karel Dekkers

Refreshments after morning worship today and visiting our shut-ins this week: Jon & Lydia Korthuis

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Congregational Announcements

Today, Pastor Cory is away for Army National Guard training. Rev. Carl Klompfen is providing pulpit supply for morning worship. Welcome Rev. Klompfen! For evening worship, a Matt Chandler video sermon will be shown.

Next Sunday, September 15, our discipleship year kick-off for church education will follow morning worship. Brent Kooi, a native of Inwood and current missionary in Australia through Mission to the World, will give a thirty-minute presentation after morning worship which will be followed by a potluck meal in the church basement. The whole church is encouraged to stay for the presentation and meal together. Pork burgers, and hot dogs for kids, along with drink and tableware will be provided; bring a salad, side-dish, or dessert to share.

Women's Bible Study will meet on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 for five weeks, September 11 – October 9, in the church basement, studying *The Faithful: Heroes of the Old Testament*. For more information or questions, contact Pam Dekkers at (712) 540-1201 or preview the study at lifeway.com/en/product-family/the-faithful.

Consistory (elders) and council (elders and deacons) will meet Monday, September 16; 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.

Women of all ages are invited to a time of fellowship on the first and third Tuesday of each month (September 3 & 17) at 10 a.m. at Casey's Bakery to connect with and encourage each other. You may come and go as you please.

Classis Iakota will meet Tuesday, September 17 at Lakeview CRC of rural Valentine, NE. Pastor Cory, along with an elder and a deacon yet to be determined, will attend as our delegates.

Thank-you, Lebanon Christian Reformed Church, for a wonderful gift of \$470. Your support of New Roots Ministry is impactful. Your gift is helping us to spearhead a new initiative---helping immigrants and former refugees to strategically plan to achieve their goals. This is vital as the American systems of higher education and career development can be complicated to navigate. God bless you in your Gospel ministry! --- Fred W., New Roots Ministry, Sioux Falls

The consistory (elders) has approved Derek and Kylie Koenen's request for the baptism of Elle Paisley Koenen. She will receive the covenant sign of holy baptism on Sunday morning, September 22.

Ground beef is available in the kitchen freezer for a donation. Checks should be made to Christian Education Fund and can be placed in the offering bags or given to a current deacon. Thanks to Doug Houlton for donating the ground beef!

Congregational Prayers and Praises

*For our shut-ins:

Elmer Bonnema Resides at Royale Meadows Care Facility 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

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- *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

Ireton Christian School's Rally Day Sale is Saturday, September 14 with supper at 5 p.m. and the auction at 6 p.m. Come for a night of food and fellowship to support ICS. Donated auction items can be brought to ICS anytime that day.

Kingdom Boundaries Prison Aftercare 5th Annual Fall Banquet is Monday, September 16 at New Life Reformed Church in Sioux Center, beginning with a fellowship time and silent auction at 5:30 p.m., followed by a dinner with testimonials, a live auction, and a ministry update at 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. Please RSVP to Rhonda at (605) 695-0059 or rhonda.h@kingdomboundaries.org, or register online at kingdomboundaries.org/events.

Sioux County Youth for Christ's next Goodie Giveaway is Tuesday, September 17. Would you like to bless West Sioux Middle and High School students with some homemade goodies? If so, contact Roxanne Cook at (701) 269-6352 or rcook@siouxlandyfc.org and plan to provide the goodies to Roxanne on Monday, September 16.

Ireton Christian School will accept cash or grain donations for NICSTO contributions. Please contact Marlin Schoonhoven at 712-541-1200 or Henry Kramer at hkramer@unity.pvt.k12.ia.us to help families attending Ireton Christian.

From Back to God Ministries International

Groundwork: The Lord's Supper ~ Communion, Lord's Supper, Eucharist... it's one sacrament known by many names, practiced in varying forms. Join us as we study Luke 22:14-20, John 6:52-58, and 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 with guest Dr. Jim Brownson to discover why Christians believe it's an essential means of receiving Christ and experiencing his presence. 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: It's Grandparents' Day today! Invite the Christian grandparents in your life (both official and honorary) to share stories of how God has worked in their lives. Making space for these stories honors the grandparents in your family and encourages younger family members in their walk with Jesus. crcna.org/FaithFormation

Synod 2019

The Banner has produced a Guide to the Acts of Synod 2019, with links to decisions in the Acts of Synod 2019 and analysis from the writing team who covered synod this year. Find it at thebanner.org/synod.

From World Renew

Help Naschitti CRC Recover from Arson Fire: Recently, the Naschitti CRC in New Mexico, was damaged by arson. The property was uninsured and church leaders have asked World Renew DRS for help. DRS volunteers are making plans to support the congregation with clean up, repair and volunteer labor. Your financial support makes this project possible. Please give at worldrenew.net/drs, by calling (800) 552-7972, or by sending your check made out to World Renew with "Naschitti CRC" in the memo line to World Renew, 1700 28th St. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49508. thebanner.org/news/2019/08/fire-damage-uncertainty-in-days-following-arson