

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

September 23, 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: Christian Education Fair Share / Mid-Sioux Opportunity

Next Sunday's offerings: General Fund / Sioux County Youth for Christ

Serving One Another

Nursery today: Aaron & Kim Dekkers / Nursery next Sunday: Harry & Pam Dekkers

Refreshments after morning worship today and visiting our shut-ins this week: Jake & Angie Liston

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Congregational Announcements

Welcome to Sos and Kara Maletoungou and family! Sos will proclaim God's Word to us during morning worship and along with Kara will share about their work in West Africa with Christian education following morning worship.

Sunday school and catechism classes will meet following morning worship today.

Tonight, we will continue our Grow Groups study on the book of James (LifeWay.com/JamesStudy). We will gather in the sanctuary together at 6 p.m. for the Session 2 (30 minutes) video in this 13-session study and then breakout into small groups in the narthex, the council room, and the east and west sides of the basement. Nursery is provided for little ones and supervision will be provided for preschool – 1st grade in the small classroom at the bottom of the basement steps while small groups meet. All other children and young people are welcome and encouraged to join a small group.

Next Sunday morning, September 30, Caden and Allyson Yesda, having given an appropriate testimony of their faith, lives, and doctrine to the elders, will make public profession of faith. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Next Sunday, September 30, we will provide the chapel service at Hillcrest Care Facility in Hawarden at 12:30 p.m. Everyone available is welcome and encouraged to come!

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 (October 2 & 16) at 10 a.m. at Casey's Bakery to connect with and encourage each other. You may come and go as you please.

Consistory (elders) and council (elders and deacons) will next meet Tuesday, October 9; 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 loved 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 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

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 registration (\$90) deadline is September 27.

Intergenerational Worship Workshop: Join Faith Formation Ministries at First Christian Reformed Church in Sioux Falls on Saturday, September 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to learn about the importance of spiritual formation in the home. Syd Hielema and Jill Friend will present on four important topics intended to help us strengthen both our families and church: connecting the dots between worship, home and other church ministries; strengthening and growing an intergenerational leadership culture; naming and nurturing intergenerational strengths already present in the congregation; and faith storytelling ideas that will bless an intergenerational culture. Registration is free and lunch will be provided. Learn more and register at network.crcna.org/faith-nurture/intergenerational-worship-workshop-sioux-falls-sd.

Ireton Christian School Fall Building Fund Drive: Ireton Christian School is currently holding its Fall Building/School Improvement Fund Drive to address some issues or improvements we feel are important. We are looking at updating our network equipment (over 10 years old), installing a new security system on our entry door, and updating another bus. With these improvements in mind, we are once again asking for financial support. If you are able to contribute, please send your gift to Ireton Christian School, Attn: Building Drive, 104 5th Street, Ireton IA 51027. Thanks for your support.

Justice For All invites you to their Fall Banquet & Annual Society Meeting on Tuesday, October 9 at 6:30 p.m. at Faith Reformed Church in Rock Valley. Special guests Mike and Dawn Menning with Great Commission Utah will share about their work in Utah, supporting and mentoring the wonderful Christian ministries that are ministering among the FLDS, as well as their own experiences of reaching out and being a presence in a community which so desperately needs to hear God's truth!! There will also be a short business meeting. Reservations for the meal are necessary by calling (712) 476-2804 or emailing joevz@jfa-nwiowa.org by October 5. An offering will be taken for JFA ministry.

Friends of Western Christian High School Banquet is Thursday, October 11 at 5:30 p.m. in the Western Christian Event Center. Cost per meal is \$10. Orlin Te Slaa, an attorney from Minneapolis and a 1976 graduate of Western Christian, will share some of his thoughts about Christian education. Attendees will also be treated to a recital by Mary Lou Wielenga on the new Steinway grand piano that was recently donated to Western Christian. Please RSVP by calling the school (712) 439-1013 or by emailing wes.fopma@westernchristianhs.com before October 8.

Western Christian High School Faithpacks will be working in Hull and surrounding communities on Friday, October 12 for our annual Stewardship Day (rain date is Friday, October 19.) Faithpacks have a faculty leader and 13-14 students in each group. Do you know of an individual or an organization that could use some help with a project? Please email darren.vanthul@westernchristianhs.com or karen.christians@westernchristianhs.com with details and ideas or call the school (712) 439-1013.

Unity Christian High School is hosting the Christmas with Selah Tour featuring Selah and Geoffrey Andrews on Saturday, December 1 at 7 p.m. in the Knight Center. Tickets, which are \$23, go on sale Monday, September 24 at 12 a.m. and will likely sell out quickly. itickets.com/events/402864.html

“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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