## January 19, 2025 Welcome to Lebanon Christian Reformed Church

## The mission of Lebanon CRC is To live by and grow in faith, hope, and love—together.

## WEEKLY SERVICES & MINISTRIES AT LEBANON

#### "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God." - John 6:68-69 NIV

<u>Today</u> – <u>Morning Worship</u> - *Sharing Christ's Anointing 2* from Luke 4:14-30. The final message based on this text will call us to share the work of Christ in this world through the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

<u>Evening</u> - Faith-Food-Fellowship will meet at 6:00 PM Sunday evening. The theme, *Coming to Faith* will explore how God can use others to lead us to faith in Jesus. In 2 Timothy 1:3-7 Paul points to the influence of Timothy's mother and grandmother. Who brought the knowledge of God to you? How did that happen?

<u>Next Sunday</u> – *A Living Hope* from 1 Peter 1:3-9. This is the first of a five-part series from this precious passage. We will also prepare to celebrate holy communion.

**Today's offerings: CRCNA Ministry Shares / Kingdom Boundaries** Next Sunday's offerings: Lebanon Church Budget / Building Fund

#### **Serving One Another**

Refreshments after morning worship today: Rick & Kay DeBoom Sound Booth attendants today: Arlo, Dan, Addy Refreshments after morning worship next week: Aaron & Kimberly Dekkers Sound Booth attendant next week: Caden, Myron, Ava

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Last Thursday afternoon Willie Dragstra was called home to our Lord Jesus Christ. We express our deepest sympathy to Willie's family, including Ken & Julie Dragstra; Justin & Katie Dragstra, and Case; Joshua Dragstra; and Jacob Dragstra. May they find strength from the Lord's comfort.

Visitation with the family will be Tuesday, January 21, from 5:00-7:00 PM at Memorial Funeral Home in Sioux Center.

The celebration of life service for Willie Dragstra will be Wednesday, January 22, at 10:30 AM at Lebanon Christian Reformed Church. Work Group 1 (Allisa & Leah's group) is assigned to serve.

Ladies' & Men's Bible Study - Canceled this week Wednesday due to the services for Willie Dragstra. We will resume next week Wednesday.

# CALENDAR

#### Sunday, January 19

9:45 AM - Morning Worship 11:00 AM – Sunday School 6:00 PM – Faith, Food & Fellowship

Wednesday, January 22 10:30 AM – Memorial Service for Willie Dragstra

### **PRAYERS & PRAISES**

- Pray for Wayne & Edie Dekkers. Wayne completed radiation treatment for cancer.
- Pray that the Lord will provide for our church ministry and mission to fund our budget for 2025.
- Remember Greeta Kruid at Crown Pointe Estates.
- Pray for our mission partners Sos & Kara and Steve & Tara. They covet our prayer support. It is the most important help we give them.
- Pray for Ireton Christian School and its board as they search for a new administrator. Give thanks for the good leadership Mrs. Megan Kooima has given in her years of service.
- Pray for God's continued grace for Duane Bonnema's journey with cancer. Thank God for giving him days and strength to welcome a grandchild and to celebrate his birthday.
- Pray for neighboring churches seeking pastoral leadership, including New Holland CRC, Inwood CRC, Hawarden CRC, Rock Rapids CRC, Trinity CRC in Rock Valley, and Shalom CRC in Sioux Falls.
- Pray for the Lord to call new servants and students to the Ministry of the Word. The need is great! Pray for the work of Calvin Theological Seminary, preparing students for ministry and mission.
- Pray for those who suffer loss through natural disasters in our nation. From recent fire in Los Angeles to hurricane damage in North Carolina to flooding in Rock Valley, Hawarden, and Spencer many continue to suffer and struggle after loss of homes, businesses, and even loved ones.
- Pray for our nation in this time of transition of leadership. Pray for the Lord to bless our leaders with wisdom and strength. may their service bless our citizens and promote what is right and good in the world.
- Praying for our Sioux Center Churches Maria Magdalena Reformed Congregation, Pastors Jason Lief, Martha Draayer.

### SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCMENTS

Ireton Christian's Annual Society Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 21 at 7:00 PM in the school all purpose room. We will be voting for new board members and passing the 2025-2026 proposed budget.

Homecoming 2025 will be held at Unity Christian High School on Friday, January 24. The Homecoming Court will be presented after chapel. Evening activities, beginning at 4:30, will include four basketball games, presentation of the Homecoming Royalty, and Dance Team performances. Alumni and friends of UCHS are invited to all the activities.

Join us for the annual Reach Out event sponsored by Unity Christian and MOC-FV on Friday, Jan 31. Unity is hosting the event this year. The schedule for the evenings is JV boys @ 4:00; JV girls @ 4:30; JVR boys @ 5:15; V girls @ 6:00 with V boys to follow. All proceeds from this community event will benefit local families with high medical costs.

Guiding Star Siouxland's Annual Fundraising Gala will be held March 7 at 6:30pm at Terrace View Event Center in Sioux Center. Join your local pro-life ministry as we unveil a groundbreaking announcement that we believe, after years of development, will reshape the future of women's healthcare—creating a culture where womanhood is celebrated and supported at every stage of life. Panelists include Abby Dahl, who chose life at 17 years old, and Sarah Hurm, who underwent a successful abortion pill reversal treatment. Registration information can be found at <u>www.guidingstarsiouxland.org</u> or by calling 712-266-3282.

**Groundwork: Repentance, Forgiveness, and Sin's Consequences** - Does God still punish us for our sins, even though in Jesus he forgives all our sins? Join Groundwork as we explore 2 Samuel 12 and the prophet Nathan's conversation with King David to help us answer that question and discover God's hope even in bad situations. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

## **BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES**

• January 30 – Dan D