## November 2, 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**

"Shout for joy, you heavens; rejoice, you earth; burst into song, you mountains! For the LORD comforts his people and will have compassion on his afflicted ones." - Isaiah 49:13 NIV

<u>This Sunday - Morning Worship</u> – Romans 8:28-39 and Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1 will be our focus as we continue to work through the aspects of comfort. The sermon will be, *My Only Comfort: My Father's Will.*<u>Evening Faith-Food-Fellowship</u> –We'll gather to explore Jesus' teaching in the Sermon on the Mount from Matthew 5:17-20, *High Standards for God's Kingdom*.

<u>Next Sunday - Morning Worship</u> – *My Only Comfort: Assurance*. 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:5 and Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1 remind us how essential the gift of the Holy Spirit is for our eternal comfort.

#### **Today's Offerings: CRCNA Ministry Share Pledge / Zestos**

Next Sunday's Offerings: Building Fund / Steve & Tara Mission Support

#### **Serving One Another**

Refreshments after morning worship today: Pastor Bob & Jan Drenten

Sound Booth attendants today: Caden, Dan

Refreshments after morning worship next week: Derek & Kylie Koenen

Sound Booth attendants next week: Arlo, Myron

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The **council has begun the process of selecting an elder and a deacon** to serve three-year terms. Pray that the Lord guides their work. Pray for those who will be asked to be considered for these offices. The congregational meeting will be held Monday, December 1, 2025.

Faith-Food-Fellowship Dates – November 2 & 16.

### CALENDAR

#### Sunday, November 2

9:45 AM – Morning Worship 11:00 AM – Sunday School – **teachers – Amy N & Jodi H** 6:00 PM – Faith-Food-Fellowship

#### Sunday, November 9

9:45 AM – Morning Worship 11:00 AM – Sunday School – **teachers – Pam D & Harry D** 

#### **Advance Dates**

Wednesday, November 12 - 6:30 PM – Consistory 7:00 PM – Council

Wednesday, November 26 – 7:00 PM – Thanksgiving Eve Communion Service

Monday, December 1 – 6:30 PM – Congregational Meeting

## **PRAYERS & PRAISES**

#### **Prayer for Our Members**

- Darin & Amy Noyes, Ava Household of the Week
- Ken & Julie Dragstra as Ken continues his path to recovery.

#### **Prayer for Our Community**

- Pray for those who bring Christian mercy to those in need, including Justice for All, Zestos, ATLAS, and our area food banks.
- Pray for God's grace for Riley Vander Esch as she receives care at Mayo Clinic for an inoperable brain tumor.

#### **Prayer for Church Ministry and Mission**

- Pray for the Lord to prepare those he will call to serve as an elder or deacon in Lebanon Church.
- Pray for Sos & Kara and their family as they live out the Lord's call to promote Christian education in Africa.
- Pray that the Lord leads Steve & Tara in their work with Launch Global in Texas.
- Pray for World Renew in all its efforts to bring relief, help, and hope to neighbors near and far in the Name of Jesus.
- Pray for churches searching for pastoral leadership: Calvin and Trinity CRCs in Rock Valley, Inwood CRC, Shalom CRC in Sioux Falls. Pray that the Lord would raise up a new generation of pastoral leadership.
- Praying for our Sioux Center Churches Middleburg Free Grace Reformed congregation.

#### **SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCMENTS**

**Praise and Thanksgiving!** You are warmly invited to an inspiring evening hosted by One Body One Hope at the Overlook on the Dordt University campus. Together, we will celebrate and give thanks for the amazing work God is doing in Liberia and Sierra Leone. Wednesday, November 5: Fellowship & Refreshments at 7:00pm (Enjoy delicious desserts and refreshing drinks) followed by a program from 7:15–8:15pm (sharp). We look forward to sharing this special time of worship, gratitude, and community with you!

Combo Night is Coming! You're invited to Unity Christian's Combo Night on Thursday, November 13 at 7pm in the Knight Center. Combo Night is a double theater performance of both the Fall one-act play "Our Place" by Terry Gabbard and the improv group "The Cast". Additionally, a few student musicians will perform between the two drama productions. Tickets are available on <a href="Bound">Bound</a> [\$5 for students and \$8 for adults]. We hope to see you there!

Groundwork: Your Questions about God's Care and the Life of Faith - The life of faith is a journey, and it's natural to have questions along the way. Join Groundwork as we study Genesis 16, Psalm 146:6-9, John 15:1-17, Micah 6:8, John 16:1-4, Luke 13:1-5, and Isaiah 55:8-9 to discover the Bible's answers to our questions about God's care for us as individuals, discipleship, suffering, and God's timing. Join Groundwork as we continue our Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

## **BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES**

- November 10 Orlan & Evie G
- November 12 Harold & Pam D
- November 14 Amy N
- November 16 Joe R
- November 17 Bob D
- Novembre 24 Jace N
- November 27 Wayne & Edie D