

November 16, 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

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort.” - 2 Corinthians 1:3 NIV

This Sunday - Morning Worship – *My Only Comfort: Willing and Ready* from Romans 8:1-17 and Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1. Pastor Bob will conclude his series from Lord’s Day 1.

Evening Faith-Food-Fellowship – We continue our study of Jesus’ “Sermon on the Mount” from Matthew 5:21-26, *Big Love*.

Next Sunday - Morning Worship – We will begin a two-part Thanksgiving series. *“I Need God for That” Part 1* will be from Hebrews 4:14-15 and Genesis 28:10-22. We depend on the God of mercy for all things. How can we reach him?

Today’s Offerings: Classis Iakota Ministry Shares / Sioux Center Christian School

Next Sunday’s Offerings: Sos & Kara Mission Support / Hawarden Food Pantry

Thanksgiving Eve Offering: Resonate Global Missions

Serving One Another

Refreshments after morning worship today: Jake & Angie Liston

Sound Booth attendants today: Rick, Myron

Refreshments after morning worship next week: Darin & Amy Noyes

Sound Booth attendants next week: Cole, Clay

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ken Dragsta anticipates hip replacement surgery on Friday, November 28, at the University of Nebraska Hospital in Bellevue, Nebraska.

Congregational Meeting - The council will hold our congregational meeting **Monday, December 1, 7:00 PM**. Our nominees for elder: Harold Dekkers, Verlyn Dekkers, Al Van Wyhe; for deacon: Aaron Dekkers, Ashley Dekkers, Lloyd Dekkers. The **vote for affirmation** of these nominees will be **Sunday, November 30, after the morning worship service**. A nominee must receive over half of votes for affirmation to be included in casting of a lot at the congregational meeting. **Please be in prayer for the nominees and our Lord’s leading in this selection process.** The meeting will also include the proposed 2026 budget for approval and a proposal for the sale of a portion of church property. The agenda is available in your church mailbox today.

Thanksgiving Eve - “Count Your Blessings” Your church mailbox provided an envelope with your name and pieces of paper inside. Please take time to reflect on how God has blessed you this past year. Return your slips of paper with only the “**blessing**” written on it and place them in the glass jar you will find at the back of church. We will take time to thank God for these - and all! - blessings he has given us at our Thanksgiving Eve service!

Thanksgiving Eve - Hawarden Community Food Pantry Drive - We are aiming to raise \$800 to help provide Thanksgiving meals through the Hawarden Food Pantry. Please give your contribution in the designated box.

Faith-Food-Fellowship Dates – November 16.

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 16

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

11:00 AM – Sunday School – **teachers – Pam D & Harry D**

Sunday, November 23

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

11:00 AM – Sunday School – **teachers – Evie G & Jerry or Joy S**

Wednesday, November 26

7:00 PM – Thanksgiving Eve Communion Service

Advance Dates

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

PRAYERS & PRAISES

Prayer for Our Members

- Jerry & Joy Steenhoek; Tyler, Ethan - Household of the Week
- Ken & Julie Dragstra as Ken continues his path to recovery.

Prayer for Our Community

- Pray for the Hawarden Community Food Bank as they provide meals for our neighbors in need.
- Pray for God's grace for Riley Vander Esch as she receives care at Mayo Clinic for an inoperable brain tumor.
- Remember MOC Schools as they continue to mourn the loss of 6th grade teacher Joel Boersma and also of several classmates earlier this fall.

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 Carol Koppenaal, who is being treated for breast cancer as she expects their family's third baby. She serves as the US Director of Human Resources for the CRCNA in Grand Rapids.
- Pray also for Jim & Christine Dekkers, whose year-old granddaughter, Avery, is being treated for aggressive brain cancer. Jim works on staff for Resonate Global Missions and Christine works for the US Ministry Board of the CRCNA in Grand Rapids. They covet our prayers.
- 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 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 – Hope Lutheran congregation, Interim Pastor Rosalyn De Koster.

SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cookies! Youth for Christ in Hawarden is looking for homemade cookies or bars, so they can bless Ireton Christian (5-8th grade students) and West Sioux Middle/High School students with their monthly Snack Giveaway. Cookies are needed no later than the evening of **18 November (this Tuesday)**. If you can help with cookies or a pan of bars, please let Roxanne Cook know at rcook@siouxlandyfc.org or 701-269-6352. Drop off location is at the Cook's house (1300 12th St) THANK YOU!

BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES

- November 16 – Joe R
- November 17 – Bob D
- November 24 – Jace N
- November 27 – Wayne & Edie D