

November 19, 2023

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

Thanks be to God! Today we celebrate the 120th anniversary of Lebanon Christian Reformed Church!

Today – *Thanksgiving: Showing Us Whom to Trust* from Psalm 115 and Deuteronomy 5. Thankful people trust God alone. Will we do that? **We will celebrate 120 years of God’s faithfulness to Lebanon Christian Reformed Church!**

Thanksgiving Eve - *Thanksgiving: Showing Us What We Have* from Deuteronomy 8 and 1 Peter 1:3-10. God teaches us to see even the things we take for granted as his gifts to us. How much more can we give thanks for the greater glory Christ holds in store for us? Thanks be to God! We will celebrate holy communion.

Next Sunday – Rev. Jerry Buwalda will be leading us in worship. Classis Iakota assigned Pastor Bob to lead worship in Inwood CRC next Sunday.

Today’s offerings: Building Fund / Justice for All

Thanksgiving Eve Offering: World Renew

Next Sunday’s offering: Lebanon Budget / Ireton Christian School

Serving One Another

No Refreshments after morning worship today

Sound Booth attendants today: Rick, Myron, Carly

Thanksgiving Eve Sound Booth attendants: Caden, Myron, Addy

Refreshments after morning worship next week: Barry & Jodi Haverhals

Sound Booth attendants next week: Arlo, Cole, Ava

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What a blessing and joy it is to announce the **120th anniversary celebration of our church family!** On behalf of the entire Lebanon Christian Reformed Church, we want to invite you to our special 120th **Anniversary Celebration lunch after morning worship today.** As we look back over the years, we must take pause and be thankful to the Lord who has blessed us with His presence year in and year out. There will be turkey dinner following the morning service in the basement. All are invited to join for fellowship and thanksgiving to celebrate God’s blessings in our church and community.

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 19

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

Wednesday, November 22

7:00 PM – Thanksgiving Eve Worship. We will celebrate holy communion.

Sunday, November 26

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

11:00 AM – Sunday School

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- Next week we gather for worship as our nation celebrates Thanksgiving Day. May the Lord open our eyes to see the abundant blessings He has provided. Give thanks to our heavenly Father, who continues to hold us in His hands.
- Continue to pray for Emmett, Robert and Val Haverhals' grandson. Emmet began to receive his bone marrow transplant last Wednesday. Pray for strength for parents Mark & Molly, and their daughter Clara. If you wish to encourage them, mail to Mark & Molly Haverhals, 20 11th Ave NW, Rochester, MN 55901.
- Remember our mission partners Steve and Tara in College Station, Texas.
- Pray for Sos and Kara and for the Teacher's Garden.
- Pastor Mark and JinHee ask us to pray for their work in Kathmandu. They pray God will provide donors toward the purchase of a much-needed vehicle.
- Pastor Tyler and Christine Helpers serve as our mission partners in South Africa. We support them through Classis Iakota. Pray for their ministry.
- Pray for Siouxland Unity Church and the ministry of Pastor Keo Phommarath.
- Monte Schoellerman submitted to surgery on his feet at Avera Hospital in Sioux Falls last week. Pray for his healing.
- Pray for Duane Bonnema and his battle with cancer.
- Pray for the Lord to guide the process underway to call an elder and deacon from our membership to serve.
- Pray for our neighboring churches seeking pastoral leadership, including New Holland CRC, Inwood CRC, First CRC Sioux Falls, Hawarden CRC and Carmel Reformed Church.
- Praying for our Sioux Center Churches – Bridge of Hope Congregation, Pastors Sam & Gail Ashmore.

SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ireton Christian School will hold their Christmas Musical on **Thursday, December 7** at 7:00 PM at the Ireton Christian Reformed Church. Please join as for a night of great entertainment by our school kids.

Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts may be brought to New Life Church in Sioux Center November 13-19. Contact Loralie Wiese, 712-441-2371, for more information. www.samaritanspurse.org/occ

Ireton Christian School is still accepting NICSTO donations. You can receive a tax credit up to 65% of your donation that supports families who need tuition assistance and deduct the gift on Federal Income Tax. This school year we have distributed funds to 21 families. We are asking for you to support current and future families who want to be part of the family of Ireton Christian and desire a Christ-centered education. If you would like to make a donation, please contact Megan Kooima at 712-278-2245.

EGG ROLLS are again available from **Siouxland Unity CRC** in Sioux City: \$15/dozen; \$5 for sweet chili sauce. Order from Henry Kraayenbrink at 712-540-8617 or svvinc@mtcnet.net by Friday, December 8. Pick them up at Faith CRC at 10:00AM on Saturday, December 16.

The **Dordt University Music Department** will present a Small Ensembles Recital on Friday, December 1 at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The recital will feature Dordt University's Saxophone Ensemble and Clarinet Choir. The Saxophone Ensemble will perform Senbonzakura, a fast, syncopated song depicting the Japanese Meiji revolution; an arrangement of "Merry-Go-Round of Life" from the film Howl's Moving Castle; an arrangement of Vivaldi's "Winter" from Four Seasons featuring a soprano saxophone soloist; and an arrangement of Nearer My God to Thee. The Dordt Clarinet Choir will perform tangos from Warsaw, Poland; a Peruvian waltz; a Habanera composed in the style of Ravel; and arrangements of Dvorak's American String Quartet and Mendelssohn's Songs without Words.

From Back to God Ministries International Groundwork: **Transformed Living** - The apostle Paul continued to unpack the new realities of their life in Jesus Christ for the Roman Christians; he challenged them to live transformed lives. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Romans 12-13 to learn how to we too should live in light of the Gospel and what it means to renew our minds and be living sacrifices for God. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.