

**November 30, 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**

***“Let us approach God’s throne of grace with confidence...” Hebrews 4:16 NIV***

**This Sunday - Morning Worship** – We enter the season of Advent, preparing to celebrate the coming of Jesus in Bethlehem and the promise of Jesus’ return in glory. This year we will pay attention to God’s messages spoken through the angels. The first is *God Awakens Hope: Zechariah Meets Gabriel* from Luke 1:1-25.

**Next Sunday - Morning Worship** – Pastor Bob’s Advent series continues with *God’s Promise Brings Peace: Mary Meets Gabriel* from Luke 1:26-38. We will prepare to celebrate holy communion on December 14.

**Today’s Offerings: Lebanon Church Budget / Love, INC.**

Next Sunday’s Offerings: CRCNA Ministry Share Pledge / Cornerstone Prison Church

**Serving One Another**

Refreshments after morning worship today: Joe & Alissa Richardson

Sound Booth attendants today: Caden, Myron

Refreshments after morning worship next week: Jerry & Joy Steenhoek

Sound Booth attendants next week: Arlo, Dan

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Robert Haverhals was admitted to Sanford Hospital in Sioux Falls last Sunday night with pneumonia.

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. **Ice Cream Sundaes will be served by Caden Yesda after the meeting with donations going towards his mission trip to Guatemala in March to help build homes and dig wells.**

**CALENDAR**

**Sunday, November 30**

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

11:00 AM – Congregational Vote of Affirmation for Elder and Deacon Candidates

11:00 AM – Sunday School – **teachers – Dana D & Cinda VG**

**Monday, December 1**

7:00 PM – Congregational Meeting

**Sunday, December 7**

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

11:00 AM – Sunday School – **teachers – Nancy G & Al VW**

## **Wednesday, December 10**

6:00 PM - Christmas Caroling at the Hudson Care Center

## **Mark Your Calendars!**

Wednesday, January 7      1:30 PM - Ladies' Bible Study Begins  
7:00 PM - Men's Bible Study Begins

## **PRAYERS & PRAISES**

### **Prayer for Our Members**

- Al Van Wyhe - Household of the Week
- Ken & Julie Dragstra
- Robert & Val Haverhals

### **Prayer for Our Community**

- Pray for God's grace for Riley Vander Esch as she receives care at Mayo Clinic for an inoperable brain tumor.
- Pray that our neighbors may know the comfort and joy of the gift of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem as our Savior and Lord.
- Pray for ministries who encourage those who are troubled or lonely, perhaps even more in this season, including Bethesda Christian Counseling, ATLAS, and Creative Living.

### **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 those they prepare to bring the gospel to challenging and risky places in the world.
- Pray for churches searching for pastoral leadership: Calvin and Trinity CRCs in Rock Valley, Inwood CRC, Shalom CRC in Sioux Falls, Carmel Reformed Church. Pray that the Lord would raise up a new generation of pastoral leadership.
- Praying for our Sioux Center Churches – Lebanon Christian Reformed congregation, Pastor Bob Drenten.

## **SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Ireton Christian School's** Fall Musical titled, "A Play In A Manger" will be held on Thursday, December 4 at 7:00 PM in the school gymnasium.

**Pizza, Pop, & Puzzles** - Join Ireton Christian School on Friday, December 12th. Register a team of up to six people for \$180/team. Be the fastest team to finish a 500 piece puzzle, eat two medium pizzas, and drink two 2-liter beverages! First and Second place will receive a prize! This event will be held at the Ireton Christian School gym and will be followed by an ice cream social and bake sale. Doors open at 6:00 pm and competition begins at 6:30 pm. Find the event on facebook or email Amanda Van Driessen at [javandriessen@gmail.com](mailto:javandriessen@gmail.com) to register!

**Christmas at Dordt: The Word Became Flesh** - Celebrate the mystery and majesty of the birth of Christ with beautiful choral and orchestral music on Saturday, December 6 at 7:00pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium! The concert and a PDF program will also be available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/live-events>.

**Groundwork: Waiting for the Light of the World.** - Advent is a season of waiting. We're waiting for Jesus, the Light of the World. Join Groundwork as we study Genesis 1:1-5, Psalm 18:27-28, Isaiah 7:14, Isaiah 11:1-3, and Romans 13:11-14 to explore the Bible's theme of light and gain a fuller understanding of what we're waiting for as we begin to prepare our hearts for the arrival of Jesus at his birth at Christmas. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

## **BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES**

- December 7 – Addison L
- December 7 – Jacob D
- December 9 – Josh D
- December 11 – Jodi H