

Morning Worship ~ 9:45 a.m. / Grow Groups ~ 6 p.m.

November 25, 2018

Welcome to Lebanon Christian Reformed Church! The mission of Lebanon CRC is to live by and grow in faith, hope, and love—together.

Today's offerings: General Fund / Love INC of Sioux County

Next Sunday's offerings: CRCNA Ministry Shares / Hope Haven

Serving One Another

Nursery today: Rob & Val Haverhals / Nursery next Sunday: Derek & Kylie Koenen

Refreshments after morning worship today and visiting our shut-ins this week: Broc & Sara Yesda

Refreshments after morning worship next Sunday and visiting our shut-ins next week: Darryl & Christy Zeutenhorst

Congregational Announcements

Sunday school and catechism classes meet following morning worship today. Parents, please have your children and young people regularly attend, in keeping with the promises that you and the congregation made to each other at baptism.

Thank you to all who planned, facilitated and contributed to making the Thanksgiving meal last Sunday a blessing!

Refreshments will be served for this evening's Bible study service.

New directory: There are new directory forms in your mailbox, please fill out any new information that you would like in the 2019 directory and return to the secretary by December 20th.

Congregational meeting to present and vote on the recommended 2019 budget and missionary support is tomorrow, Monday, November 26 at 7 p.m. in the church basement. Light refreshments will be served following the meeting.

Women of all ages are invited to a time of fellowship on the first and third Tuesday of each month (December 4 & 18) at 10 a.m. at Casey's Bakery to connect with and encourage each other. You may come and go as you please.

Consistory (elders) and council (elders and deacons) will meet Monday, December 10; consistory at 6:30 p.m. and council at 7:30 p.m. As always, direct any questions or concerns to an elder or deacon or Pastor Cory.

Congregational Prayers and Praises

*For our shut-ins:

Elmer Bonnema

Resides at Crown Pointe Assisted Living in Sioux Center

Adrian Kruid

Resides at home in Sioux Center with Greeta

Severt & Christina Vander Esch Reside at Oak Hill Assisted Living in Hawarden

*For our elderly members and parents and grandparents whose health is declining due to age

*For those grieving the death of loves ones and longing to be reunited with them through Jesus

*For others dealing with health concerns, for healing mercy and/or sufficient grace

*For our children, that they would grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus

*For our marriages, that they would reflect the love of Jesus for the church

*For our missionaries and their work in Texas and West Africa

*For Cate Cave, living in Chiapas, Mexico

*For Joseph Cave and Francis Momberg, engaged to be married December 1

*For Josh and Leah and baby Gradert, due in January

Other Announcements

Hope Haven International Ministries presents “**Rejoice!**” featuring Nashville recording artist Jill Miller on Thursday, November 29 at 7 p.m. in the B.J. Haan Auditorium on the campus of Dordt College. Tickets are \$15 and are available at Hope Haven and Peoples Bank and Rock Valley Christian School in Rock Valley, American State Bank and Sioux Center Christian School in Sioux Center and Iowa State Bank and Orange City Christian School in Orange City. The Christmas concert will also feature a choir made up of students from Rock Valley Christian, Sioux Center Christian and Orange City Christian Schools. Proceeds will go towards funding wheelchairs for an upcoming distribution trip to Vietnam in 2019.

Ireton Christian School’s Fall Musical is Thursday, November 29 at 7 p.m. in the gym. “Are We There Yet” is the story of Moses as he leads the Israelites from slavery and travels through the wilderness. Fun costumes, great songs, humorous dialogue and talented students... join us for a wonderful musical!

Western Christian’s FFA Chapter is hosting an appreciation supper for all area ag producers on Thursday, November 29 from 5:30 – 7 p.m. in the cafeteria at Western Christian. FFA members will be grilling burgers with all the fixings. It’s the Western Christian FFA way of celebrating and giving thanks for another harvest.

Unity Christian High School is hosting the Christmas with Selah Tour featuring Selah and Geoffrey Andrews on Saturday, December 1 at 7 p.m. in the Knight Center. Tickets, which are \$23, are on sale online until they are gone at the following link: itickets.com/events/402864.html. Prior to the concert, there will be a dinner in the gymnasium from 5:20 – 6:40 p.m. This dinner requires an RSVP to the school office by Thursday, November 27 at (712) 737-4114. It is a catered meal with an opportunity to give a free-will donation and is replacing the Hostess Supper that has taken place in the past.

Justice For All is planning their 2019 Service and Learning Opportunities and would love to have you join one of the teams! These weeks are wonderful opportunities to serve others but also to experience and understand God’s kingdom in new and important ways! Dates and places are: Harvest Hands Ministries, Juarez, MX ~ January 18-26 (must have passport); JVMPerkins Foundation, Jackson, MS ~ February 9-16; Voice of Calvary Ministries, Jackson, MS ~ February 17-23; Grace Reigns, Colorado City, UT ~ March 16-23. For more information please contact Luke Grooters at (712) 476-2804 or lukeg@jfa-nwiowa.org. You can also check out the JFA website: www.jfa-nwiowa.org.

“Good Battle” Israel Tours: There are still trips to Israel in 2019 with author Cliff Graham and his team at 60% off of the normal price for a guided Israel tour—first come, first served. If interested or for more information, go to goodbattletours.com, or contact Cliff Graham at hello@cliffgraham.com, or check out his Facebook page at facebook.com/cliffgrahamauthor, or talk to Charlie or Nola or Amanda Van Driessen.

From Back to God Ministries International

I Belong—So I Live for Him: What does belonging to Jesus mean for how I live my life? Do I have to change? Study Romans 8:12-17 and Galatians 5:13-25 with Groundwork to gain a better understanding about why belonging to Jesus means, with the Holy Spirit’s help, we’ll be willing and ready to live for him. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.

From Faith Formation Ministries

Family Faith Formation Tip: Does helping your child grow in faith feel overwhelming? Great resources are key! Check out tinyurl.com/FamilyFaithResources for a list of family devotions ideas, Bible storybooks and picture books, music, and helpful books and websites.

From CRC Communications

Synod 2018 encouraged congregations, classes, ministries and agencies of the Christian Reformed Church in North America to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the historic and influential Synod of Dordt, which met in Dordrecht, The Netherlands from November 13, 1618 through May 29, 1619. The Meeter Center for Calvin Studies at Calvin College has brought together a vast array of materials and information about the Synod of Dordt and its impact at the following website: calvin.edu/centers-institutes/meeter-center/about-the-synod-of-dordt/. Dordt College also has a website dedicated to celebrating the Synod of Dordt at synod.dordt.edu/index.html.