

December 10, 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

Today – Our **morning worship** will focus on *The Justice and Mercy of God* from **Matthew 1:6b-11**. The genealogy of Jesus tells the story of backsliding and loss of God's favor. When we are unfaithful, **peace** comes only from God's faithful mercy.

Evening Worship *Advent Candlelight Service* at Hawarden CRC at 6:00pm.

Next Sunday Morning – *The Justice and Mercy of God* from **Matthew 1:6b-11**. The **joy** of the Lord will not fail even when our own sin resists God's ways.

Today's offerings: Classis Iakota Ministry Shares / Luke Society

Next Sunday's offering: Building Fund / Tuition Assistance

Serving One Another

Refreshments after morning worship today: Derek & Kylie Koenen

Sound Booth attendants today: Caden, Myron, Carly

Refreshments after morning worship next week: Jake & Angie Liston

Sound Booth attendants next week: Arlo, Cole, Addy

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have any changes to your address, phone or email for the directory, please let Sara know.

This evening, December 10, 6:00 PM, we will worship at Hawarden CRC with members of Ireton CRC for an **Advent Candlelight Service**.

At last Monday's congregational meeting Rick De Boom was selected to serve as elder and Dan Dunn to serve as deacon, each for a three-year term. The installation service will be Sunday, January 7, in the morning worship service. The proposed 2024 budget was also adopted.

Faith, Food, and Fellowship evening worship dates - **January 7 & 21, February 4 & 18, March 3 & 17, April 7 & 21.**

CALENDAR

Sunday, December 10

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

11:00 AM – Sunday School & High School Catechism

6:00 PM – Candlelight Service @ Hawarden CRC

Monday, December 11

6:30 PM – Consistory

7:30 PM – Council

Sunday, December 17

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

Sunday, December 24

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

Christmas Day, December 25

9:45 AM – Christmas Worship Service

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- Continue to pray for Emmett, Robert and Val Haverhals' grandson. Give thanks for the progress Emmett is making! God is answering our prayers with His favor! 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.
- Pray for students at Dordt University and Northwestern College who are working hard to complete their fall semester.
- Pray for healing for Monte Schoellerman after surgery on his foot.
- Pray for Duane Bonnema and his battle with cancer.
- 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 – Central Reformed Congregation, Pastor Jesse Henkle.

SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

All those who ordered **EGG ROLLS from Siouxland Unity CRC** may pick them up on Saturday, December 16 at 10:00am at Faith CRC in Sioux Center.

The **Unity Christian FFA** is hosting a Soup Supper on December 14 from 4:30-6:30pm. The soup supper will take place in the Unity cafeteria. Free-will donations will be taken. Come and enjoy food and fellowship, while supporting future FFA projects!

The **Unity Christian High School Music Department** invites you to join them for an evening of music focused on the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on Thursday, Dec. 14, at 7:00pm in the Knight Center. The concert will feature the choirs, symphonic band and orchestra, and ending with the singing and playing of the Hallelujah Chorus. Please join us for an evening filled with the musical joy recognized as part of the Christmas season.

The **Dordt University Music Department** will present a 4th Avenue Jazz concert on Friday, December 15 at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Featured on the concert will be the 4th Avenue Singers and 4th Avenue Band. Come for a relaxed evening of jazzy Christmas songs and carols, big band standards, and a variety of collaborations between singers and instruments. The concert will also be available on livestream at www.dordt.edu/live-events.

From Back to God Ministries International Groundwork: **Jesus: Our Mighty God** - The prophet Isaiah next calls the coming Messiah "Mighty God." Join Groundwork as we explore Isaiah 9:6, Isaiah 10:21, Acts 1:6-8, and Revelation 5:6,11-14 to discover what this title communicates to us about Jesus. Together, we'll discuss how his presence as a helpless baby displays the awesomeness of God's power and gives us hope as we anticipate his return. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.