

February 2, 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

“Sing the praises of the LORD, you his faithful people; praise his holy name.” - Psalm 30:4 NIV

Today – Morning Worship - - *The Shield of Faith* from 1 Peter 1:3-9, focusing on 1 Peter 1:5. God protects our eternal inheritance that awaits us. God also protects us so we will finally gain the glory Jesus won for us. **We will celebrate holy communion.**

Evening - Faith-Food-Fellowship at 6:00 PM. The theme, *Coming to Faith* will explore how God can use others to lead us to faith in Jesus. In 2 Timothy 1:3-7 Paul points to the influence of Timothy’s mother and grandmother. Who brought the knowledge of God to you? How did that happen?

Next Sunday – Morning Worship - *Suffering and Joy* from 1 Peter 1:3-9, focusing on 1 Peter 1:6. God knows our reason for sorrow in this life is as real as our reason for joy in the life to come. How does this help us learn to face both life and death?

Today’s offerings: Classis Iakota Ministry Shares / Youth for Christ

Next Sunday’s offerings: Steve & Tara Mission Support / ATLAS

Serving One Another

Refreshments after morning worship today: Harold & Pam Dekkers

Sound Booth attendants today: Arlo, Cole, Clay

Refreshments after morning worship next week: Lloyd & Bonnie Dekkers

Sound Booth attendant next week: Rick, Dan, Carly

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! - Sunday, February 16, we will host the Ireton-Lebanon Cadets at our morning worship service.

Ladies’ & Men’s Bible Study – Will NOT meet this week. Pastor Bob will be participating in a meeting of the CRCNA Council of Delegates from Wednesday - Friday.

CALENDAR

Sunday, February 2

9:45 AM - Morning Worship – Celebration of Holy Communion

11:00 AM – Sunday School

6:00 PM – Faith-Food-Fellowship

Sunday, February 9

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

11:00 AM – Sunday School

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- Pray for Wayne & Edie Dekkers as Wayne anticipates a follow-up exam in the coming weeks to determine the effectiveness of his radiation care.
- Remember Greta Kruid at Crown Pointe Estates.
- Pray for God to bless the time our mission partner, Sos, was able to spend in our area last week to connect with Sos & Kara's supporters. Pray for the continuing development of the Teacher's Garden.
- Pray for our mission partners Steve & Tara. They covet our prayer support. It is the most important help we give them.
- Pastor Mark and JinHee ask us to pray for the Lord to guide their efforts to renew their visa in Nepal so they can continue their work there. This is an urgent concern.
- Pray for Ireton Christian School and its board as they search for a new administrator. Pray also for the work of their strategic planning team as they seek to follow the Lord's lead for a healthy future for the school.
- Pray for God's continued grace for Duane Bonnema's journey with cancer.
- Pray for neighboring churches seeking pastoral leadership, including New Holland CRC, Inwood CRC, Hawarden CRC, Rock Rapids CRC, Trinity CRC in Rock Valley, and Shalom CRC in Sioux Falls.
- Pray for the Lord to call new servants and students to the Ministry of the Word. The need is great! Pray for the work of Calvin Theological Seminary, preparing students for ministry and mission.
- Pray for those who suffer loss through natural disasters in our nation. From recent fire in Los Angeles to hurricane damage in North Carolina to flooding in Rock Valley, Hawarden, and Spencer many continue to suffer and struggle after loss of homes, businesses, and even loved ones.
- Pray for those who grieve the loss of loved ones in the tragic air accident in Washington, D.C., last week Wednesday.
- Pray for our nation in this time of transition of leadership. Pray for the Lord to bless our leaders with wisdom and strength. may their service bless our citizens and promote what is right and good in the world.
- Praying for our Sioux Center Churches – New Life Reformed Congregation, Pastors Bobby Van Otterloo, Dan Kruse.

SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

The sophomore class of **Unity Christian High School** will be hosting their **annual soup supper** on Tuesday, February 11 from 4:45-7:00pm. The basketball teams play Sioux Center that evening, so come out and support the sophomore class and cheer on the Knights! The soup supper will take place in the Unity cafeteria. Free-will donations will be taken. Come and enjoy food and fellowship, while supporting the sophomore class!

KOK Preschool & Kindergarten open house & registration will be held on **Monday, February 24** from 4:30 to 6:30 PM. Join us for a school tour and to meet our preschool and kindergarten teachers.

Dash with us! Ireton Christian School Auxiliary invites you to our Dinner and Dessert Dash. **Friday, March 7, 2025** at the Hawarden Community Center with doors opening at 6:00 and dinner at 6:30 followed with entertainment by Slap Happy Comedy and the dessert dash auction. Tickets are \$25 per seat or a table of 8 for \$200. **RSVP by February 21** to office@iretonchristianschool.com or calling 278-2245.

A local **Grief Share Support Group** will begin 13 sessions on February 5 to April 30. You may join in at any time for help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. This group meets at New Hope Evangelical Free Church's south wing in Orange City from 7- 8:30pm. A suggested donation of \$20 covers all costs for the entire series. CALL Elaine Elgersma (712- 540-5878) or TEXT Dee Van Dyke (712-540-2533) for information or to register.

Groundwork: Jesus Prays for Us - In his High Priestly Prayer, Jesus prayed for us to experience unity and the Father's love, and for the world to know God through our lives. Join Groundwork as we explore John 17:20-26 to witness the depth of Jesus Christ's love for us and discuss what it means to live in the reality of Jesus' prayer. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES

- Feb 2 – Jameson G
- Feb 6 – Josh G
- Feb 7 – Aaron D