

February 21, 2021

## 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

**Pastor Bob's sermon**, "When This World Meets the Kingdom of God," explores the account in Mark 8:34-9:13 of the transfiguration of Jesus.

**Today is the first Sunday in the season of Lent.** Through the weeks leading up to Easter, many Christians focus more closely on Jesus "setting his face toward Jerusalem." It is a season to pay attention to the obedience, sacrifice, and triumph of our Savior. In the coming Sundays, Pastor Bob will lead us through key moments of Jesus' road to the cross and the empty tomb as recorded in the Gospel of Mark, fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah 53.

**Next week's sermon**, 'Mirror, Mirror,' will be based on Isaiah 53:4-5 and Mark 1:29-34. Jesus reveals more truth about ourselves than maybe we care to admit!

### Today's offerings: Benevolent Fund / Ireton Christian

Next Sunday's offerings: Budget / Hawarden Food Pantry

**Ministry Spotlight:** Back to God Ministries International has made a recent name change. They are now **ReFrame Ministries: God's Story. Today's Media.** This change was approved by the Christian Reformed Church's governing body in June 2020. You will begin to see this name and tagline on their publication going forward.

### CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Church Education** will meet today after the morning service.

The council is looking for several volunteers to be part of a **decorating committee** for the church sanctuary and narthex. If interested, please talk to a member of council.

Anyone (jr. high - adult) that is interested in singing in the Easter choir, please meet in front of church following the morning service.

**Congratulations to Jason and Amanda Van Driessen!** On Saturday, February 13, they were blessed with the birth of a healthy son, Zion Jude. We praise God for the blessing of this gift to their family!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Council meeting March 8.** Elders meet at 6:30pm, full council meets at 7:30pm.

**Classis Iakota** meeting March 2 at Faith CRC in Sioux Center.

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## PRAYERS & PRAISES

- For our shut-ins:
  - Adrian Kruid resides at home in Sioux Center with Greeta
  - Christina Vander Esch resides at Oak Hill Assisted Living in Hawarden
- For our elderly members and parents and grandparents whose health is declining due to age
- For our marriages, that they would reflect the love of Jesus for the church
- For our church family that we would live by and grow in faith, hope and love – together
- For those dealing with health concerns, for healing mercy
- For Jason and Amanda Van Driessen and family and baby due February 2021.
- For those grieving the death of loved ones and longing to be reunited with them through Jesus
- For our missionaries and their work in Texas and West Africa
- Praying for our Local Congregations: February 14 – Netherlands Reformed Congregation

### Guidelines and expectations for COVID-19 worship

Masks are encouraged. Practice social distancing. No handshakes, or other physical contact.

At the present time we are not offering nursery, but we encourage parents to attend with their children and are welcome to use the nursery for a quiet space during the service if needed.

Sit as a household six feet apart from other households.

The offering rack will be by the west entrance/exit. Drop your offering(s) in one of the bags on the rack as you exit. Maintain social distancing as you exit.

## ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Music department of Unity Christian High School will present, "**Decades of Pop Music**" at its **annual Pops Concert on Thursday, February 25**. All large groups will be performing including Knightsounds and a men's choir called Mannenkoor. The concert will be in Unity's gymnasium at 7:00pm with a free-will donation available. Gathering restrictions have been lifted, so come and enjoy the show!

**Ireton Christian School's Society/PTA Meeting** will be held on Monday, February 22 at 7:00 PM in the school all purpose room. We will be voting on the 2021-2022 budget. Our speaker for the evening will be Tara De Boer.

Would YOU like to learn more about **Habitat for Humanity** and a future Habitat home in Hawarden? Come to a **6:30PM information meeting on March 2 at the Hawarden Public Library** and learn how to apply for Habitat's homeownership program or how to be involved. If you have questions, please contact Kurt Franje, at 641-780-9054 or [kfranje@siouxlandhabitat.org](mailto:kfranje@siouxlandhabitat.org)

**The Dordt University Music Department** will present a **4th Avenue Jazz concert** on Friday, February 26 at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Featured on the performance will be the 4th Avenue Singers and 4th Avenue Band. Come for a relaxed evening of big band standards, fresh jazz perspectives, featured solos, and a variety of collaborations between singers and instruments. The 4th Avenue Singers are directed by Ryan Smit, and the 4th Avenue Band is directed by Kevin Linder. This concert is open to the public and will not be ticketed. Masks are required for those attending and seating groups will be socially distanced. The concert will also be livestreamed at [vimeo.com/event/572686](https://vimeo.com/event/572686). Dordt University continues to monitor how COVID-19 affects our campus and community. Please visit [dordt.edu/updates](https://dordt.edu/updates) on the day of the event to see if there are any restrictions or cancellations.

Unity Christian High School will present *The Diary of Anne Frank* on March 18, 19 & 20 with tickets on sale through [itickets.com](https://itickets.com) on March 1. The cost of the tickets are K-12, \$5.00, adults, \$8.00. We hope you will join us!

Do you have a child between the ages of 3 & 4 years old? You may qualify for the **FREE Head Start or Child Development Program through Mid-Sioux Opportunity**. For more information on this free preschool program contact 800-859-2025.