

February 20, 2022

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

I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name.... And I pray that you, being rooted in love, may ... grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ ... that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. – from Ephesians 3:14-19 (NIV)

Welcome to Lebanon Christian Reformed Church. May the Father's work in Christ bring us together in love as the family of God!

This Morning – “One God and Father of All,” a sermon based on Ephesians 4:6 and Matthew 6:5-15, concludes Pastor Bob's series on Christian unity from Ephesians 4. We will think about how the Lord's Prayer arises from the family of God to our Father in heaven, and how God's answer to that prayer serves to make us one.

This Evening – “How God Tells Us the Truth,” from John 15:26 – 16:15 and Lord's Day 20 considers the person of the Holy Spirit and his work in us. This continues Pastor Bob's survey of the Heidelberg Catechism.

Next Sunday Morning – We welcome our Cadet Corp from Ireton CRC. The theme, “God's in Control,” is from Joshua 1:9.

Today's offerings: Benevolent Fund / Kingdom Boundaries

Next Sunday's offerings: Budget / Sioux Center Christian School

Serving One Another

Refreshments after morning worship today and remembering our shut-ins this week: Mylasah & Myriel Cave

Refreshments after morning worship & remembering our shut-ins next week: Rick & Kay DeBoom

February Special Music – Jaron & Kadee VanBeek

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several diseased trees were removed between the church and cemetery.

Plans are being made for combined worship services with neighboring churches for National Day of Prayer (May 5), the Memorial Day weekend worship service at Oak Grove, and a series of summer evening services.

The membership of Jack Cave has been sent to Dominion Covenant Church of Omaha, Nebraska.

Classis Iakota will meet March 1. Bridge of Hope CRC will convene the meeting at Inspiration Hills. Our delegates will be Rev. Bob Drenten, Elder Verlyn Dekkers, and Deacon Al Van Wyhe. Pastor Bob has been assigned to chair the meeting.

Pastor Bob will lead worship at First CRC, Sioux Falls, on March 27 for Classis Iakota assignment.

Sunday evening schedule through April 2022 – evening services will be held on the **First** and **Third** Sunday's for 6:00pm worship. The **Second** Sunday will be Grow Groups.

CALENDAR

Sunday, February 20

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

- High School Youth Group & Sunday School

6:00 PM – Evening Worship & Fellowship Coffee (hostesses LaVonne Bonnema & Kimberly Dekkers)

Wednesday, February 16

7:00 PM – Men’s Bible Study – second half of Lesson 3 “Discover 1 Corinthians – Wisdom for Living”

7:00 PM – Ladies Bible Study

Sunday, February 27

9:45 AM – Morning Worship – Ireton Cadets

- Sunday School & High School Catechism

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- For our shut-ins:
 - Adrian & Greta Kruid at home in Sioux Center
 - Christina Vander Esch resides at Oak Hill Assisted Living in Hawarden
- Pray for Wayne Dekkers as he continues to heal from his recent eye surgery.
- Plans are beginning for this year’s variety of combined worship services. Pray that God will be honored, and our churches blessed as we gather for these special events. Pray for those who plan and lead these services for National Day of Prayer, Memorial Day Sunday and the summer evening series shared with Hawarden CRC and Ireton CRC.
- Pray for the Minn-I-Kota Youth Network. Ms. Lee De Groot will be ending her service as director of our regional youth ministry resource. Pray for the Lord to provide a new director for this important ministry.
- Pray for Classis Iakota and its planned meeting March 1 at Inspiration Hills.
- Pray for Steve & Tara Dekkers and their outreach to their neighbors in College Station, Texas. Ask the Lord to touch lives through their work, made possible in part through our financial support.
- Pray for Sos and Kara and their leadership in Guinea, West Africa. Give thanks for those Sos & Kara’s ministries are bringing to Jesus Christ.
- Pray for Pastor Cory Van Sloten’s ministry as a US Army Chaplain.
- Praying for our Sioux Center Area Congregations: Faith Christian Reformed Church, Pastors Bob Pollema, Cliff Hoekstra, and Dave Smit.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guiding Star Siouxland will present the Guiding Star Cycle Show on April 2 from 9am-2pm at First Reformed Church in Sioux Center. The Cycle Show is an educational, interactive, multi-media, fertility awareness workshop for young girls ages 9-13 years old. The workshop was developed to give young girls the knowledge of what is going on inside their bodies in relation to puberty. Participation in the Cycle Show Workshop helps the girls value and respect their bodies as they move into their teenage years. To register, go to www.guidingstarproject.com/cycle-show or call 712.266.3282.

BIBLICAL AND REFORMED IN 2022: The past 2 years have been a time of exceptional upheaval for Christian Reformed congregations. We are surrounded by worry, fear, anger, doubt, and division. Even so, God is on the throne! The "tree" may be shaking in the storm, but we have strong biblical and reformed roots. Former Dordt professor Dr. Syd Hielema, who has served the denomination these last eight years, will reflect on the role of these roots as a source of strength and stability in challenging times. You are invited to an interactive presentation, discussion, and time of prayer at Covenant CRC in Sioux Center, Iowa on Tuesday, March 1 from 7:00-8:30pm.

A newcomer to Sioux Center is interested in joining the **Friendship Bible Class**, but he needs a mentor. This would be a six-week commitment (75 minutes on Thursday evenings through the end of March). We are praying for a male mentor—a person willing to sit alongside this young man to participate in group singing, encourage good listening, and model an attitude of Christian discipleship—while enjoying the company of others on a similar journey. For more information, contact Marian Smit at 712-441-9243.

Groundwork: A Wise Perspective on Work - Much of our adult life revolves around work: work for our jobs, work on our houses and for our families, and work for the Lord. Join Groundwork as we study Ecclesiastes 4:4-8, 5:10-15, 9:7-10 to listen to the Teacher’s wisdom on what makes our work meaningful. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.