April 14, 2024 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

"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart." -Jeremiah 29:13 All we are searching for we will find, the more we turn our hearts to our Lord and Father.

<u>Today</u> – The series from "The Prodigal Son" continues. *The Lost Older Brother* from Luke 15:25-32 takes a close look at the elder son's complaint about his father's feast for the younger son. It's possible to be "lost" right at home!

<u>Next Sunday</u> – The next sermon in "The Prodigal Son" series will be, *The Father and the True Elder Son* from Luke 14:1-10. Our hope rests not only on coming to realize how lost we each may be, but finally on the Father's longing to find us and bring us home.

<u>Next Sunday Evening</u> - Our final *Faith, Food, and Fellowship* gathering for this season will explore Jesus' question to us from John 5:1-9, *Do You Want to Get Well?*

Today's offerings: Sos & Kara Mission Support / Zestos

Next Sunday's offering: Building Fund / ATLAS

Serving One Another

Refreshments after morning worship today: Dan & Dana Dunn

Sound Booth attendants today: Arlo, Cole, Addy

Refreshments after morning worship next week: Josh & Leah Gradert

Sound Booth attendants next week: Rick, Dan, Ava

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lloyd Dekkers had triple bypass surgery Friday, April 5, at Avera Hearth Hospital in Sioux Falls. Lloyd came home last Wednesday and is doing well.

Ladies Bible Study and Men's Bible Study final meeting for the season this Wednesday.

Plan to join the <u>National Day of Prayer</u> service on <u>Sunday evening</u>, <u>May 5</u>, <u>at 6:00 PM</u>. Lebanon CRC will host Carmel Reformed Church and Peace Lutheran Church for a combined worship service.

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 14

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

Wednesday, April 17

1:30 PM – Ladies Bible Study 7:00 PM – Mens Bible Study

Sunday, April 21

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

6:00 PM – Faith, Food and Fellowship

Tuesday, April 23

7:00 PM – Annual Christian Education Auction

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- Pray for Edie Dekkers as she continues to recover from knee surgery.
- Pray for the Lord to bless Lloyd Dekkers' recovery from his recent heart surgery.
- Remember Willie Dragstra and Greeta Kruid at Crown Pointe Estates.
- Continue to pray for Emmett Haverhals and Molly Haverhals. Molly is recovering from a procedure to remove fluid from around her heart. Emmett continues to receive care daily as an outpatient at May Clinic. Remember Mark Haverhals and sister Clara, too, as they have returned to their home in Sioux Falls.
- Spring field work has already begun and planting season will be here soon. With trust and thanksgiving, ask God to bless our fields with favorable conditions.
- Remember our mission partners Steve and Tara in College Station, Texas. Pray the Lord continues to provide for their support.
- Pray for Sos and Kara and for the Teacher's Garden, giving thanks for new office space provided for them.
- Remember Pastor Mark & JinHee in Nepal, and Pastor Tyler & Christina in South Africa, as we share in their support through Classis Iakota. Pastor Mark and JinHee Klompein give thanks for a better vehicle for their needs.
- Pray for Cornerstone Prison Church and Pastor Scott Van Voorst. The challenges to life and ministry in prison increase.
- Pray for healing for Monte Schoellerman.
- Pray for God's continued grace for Duane Bonnema's journey with cancer.
- Pray for our neighboring churches seeking pastoral leadership, including New Holland CRC, Inwood CRC, Hawarden CRC.
- Praying for our Sioux Center Churches Amistad Cristiana Congregation, Pastor Eddy Olguin.

SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCMENTS

COOKIES! **Youth for Christ in Hawarden** is looking for homemade cookies or bars, so they can bless Ireton Christian (5-8th grade students) and West Sioux students. Cookies are needed no later than April 16. If you can help with 3-4 dozen cookies or bars, please let Roxanne Cook know at rcook@siouxlandyfc.org or 701-269-6352. THANK YOU!

We invite all Unity supporters to attend the **Unity Society Meeting** on Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00pm in the Knight Center. The nominees for Board members to be elected are Immanuel CRC OC - Randy Smit and Benji Hulstein; Covenant CRC - Melissa Bailey and Jeff Ploegstra; Bethel CRC - Candi Te Krony, Dean Dekkers and Julie Hoogland. We will have updates from the Board and a budget to pass for the 24-25 school year.

FFA Plant Early Bird Open Greenhouse at **Unity Christian High School** is on Friday April 26 from 3:45 p.m.-6:00 pm. and Saturday, April 27 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The Mother's Day Sale is Friday, May 10 from 3:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 11 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Freewill offering goes towards our FFA Program.

Dordt University's Criminal Justice and Social Work departments, in cooperation with the Sioux County Sherriff's Office, are hosting the screening of the documentary, Gridshock: A Documentary about Sex Trafficking in Iowa. This will be followed by a panel discussion. The event will be held Wednesday, April 17 from 7-9pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium.

The **Annual Western Christian Foundation Luncheon** is Wednesday, April 24 at noon in the Western Event Center. Brad Van Heuvelen, Chief Wealth Management Officer at Peoples Bank, will be the guest speaker. Lunch will be provided by Beyer Catering and Amie Smit. The Western Christian Orchestra will provide special music. Please RSVP to Brad Vis - brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or 605-359-5704 if you plan to attend.

BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES

- April 15 Rick DB
- April 18 Julie D
- April 19 Mylasah C
- April 21 Dana D
- April 21 Arlo B
- April 22 Arlo & LaVonne B