

Easter Sunday - April 20, 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

“Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.”
1 Corinthians 15:20 (NIV)

Easter Sunday – **Morning Worship** - **7:00 AM** - ***Jesus, Peter, and an Empty Tomb***. John 20:1-9 shows Peter still following Jesus, even after crucifixion. Did Peter see where Jesus would take him? Do we? Pastor Bob will be in the cemetery at sunrise, 6:35 AM, for a brief meditation for anyone interested, weather permitting.

Next Sunday - **Morning Worship** - ***Jesus Restores Peter*** from John 20:15-25. Peter’s pilgrimage as a disciple of Jesus Christ was marked by fear, faith, false courage, and failure. The question after Jesus rises from the dead is what Christ will do with Peter - and with disciples like we are.

Today’s Offerings: Simdel / Amistad Cristiana

Next Sunday’s Offerings: Lebanon Budget / Hope Haven

Serving One Another

Refreshments after morning worship today: none – Easter Sunrise Breakfast – Donations for Teacher’s Garden

Sound Booth attendants today: Caden, Myron, Ava

Refreshments after morning worship next week: Barry & Jodi Haverhals

Sound Booth attendant next week: Arlo, Dan, Clay

ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to join Sioux Center Faith CRC for their evening service on Easter Sunday at 5 pm. Service will include songs, statement of faith litanies, prayers, and readings that continue the Easter celebration. Offering for World Renew.

Save the Dates! Sunday, May 4, 6:00 PM – National Day of Prayer at Carmel Reformed Church
Sunday, May 25, 10:30 AM – Memorial Day Weekend Worship at Oak Grove
Monday, August 4, - Serving at The Banquet in Sioux Falls

CALENDAR

Easter Sunday, April 20

7:00 AM – Morning Worship

5:00 PM – Easter Evening Worship at Faith CRC, Sioux Center

Sunday, April 27

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- Pray for all who have heard the gospel of Jesus Christ this past Easter season, maybe for the first time.
- As our high school seniors enter their last month before graduation, give thanks with them and their families for the blessing of good education. Pray the Lord clearly directs their next steps in their future. Remember Ava Noyes, Addy Liston, and Carly Dunn in your prayers.
- Pray for the Lord’s blessing on the seed we plant and for safety for those who prepare and plant our fields.

- Remember Greeta Kruid at Crown Pointe Estates.
- Pray for Monte Schoellerman. His foot has been slow to heal. Pray for healing and grace for him and Shelly.
- Keep praying for Sos and Kara as the ministry of the Teacher's Garden continues to develop in Africa.
- Pray for our mission partners Steve & Tara. They covet our prayer support. It is the most important help we give them.
- Pray for our mission work shared by Classis Iakota. Our support of Lakeview CRC near Valentine, NE, and their youth outreach ministry Prairie Light are an important witness to their Native American neighbors on the Rosebud Reservation.
- Pray for troops of the Iowa National Guard who have been recently activated and deployed.
- 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 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.
- Praying for our Sioux Center Churches – Carmel Reformed Congregation, Pastor Ron Boersema.

SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth for Christ in Hawarden is looking for homemade cookies or bars, to bless Ireton Christian (5-8th grade students) and West Sioux Middle/High School students with their monthly Snack Giveaway. Cookies are needed no later than the evening of **April 22nd (this Tuesday)**. If you can help with 3-4 dozen cookies or a pan or two of bars, please let Roxanne Cook know at rcook@siouxlandyfc.org or 701-269-6352. THANK YOU!

Ireton Christian School's Spring Concert/Science Fair will be held on Thursday, May 1 at 7:00 PM in the school gymnasium. Come hear the band play and hear the kids sing and then browse the science fair projects after.

We invite all Unity supporters to attend the **Unity Society Meeting on Tuesday, April 22** at 7:00 p.m. in the Knight Center. Supporters are encouraged to hear about our financial reports, our strategic vision and to vote to approve the 25-26 budget. Board members will be elected as well. Supporters will elect 1 of the 2 nominees from each of the following groups; Partner Society - Rebecca Hanson and Nigel Millard; At Large - Mike Calkhoven and Matt Boogerd; Living Water - Teri Bos and Matt Mellema. You can learn about each candidate on our school website.

Western Christian High School - invites you to attend a Spring Society Meeting to be held on Monday, April 21 at 6pm. Head Administrator, Mr. Verwolf, will share a State of School Report to include staffing and program updates for the upcoming year. We also have an opportunity to approve the annual budget for the 2025-2026 school year and elect two new board members. More information will be released soon!

Ladies, plan to attend **Bible League's Spring Salad Luncheon** with your friends on Monday, May 5 at Rock Valley First Christian Reformed Church (1401 16th Street, Rock Valley IA). Please bring one salad for every four ladies in your group. The Luncheon begins at 11:30 AM; featured speaker is Gayle Walhof who will tell of her 4-year journey in publishing her book "Songs of Naamah – A Novel of King David's Harem". Updates from BLI will be given, and a freewill donation will be received. Join us for this FUN event!

Groundwork: Holy Week: Easter: Jesus is Risen! - Christians around the world celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study the story of Jesus' resurrection in Mark 16:1-8, Matthew 28:1-10, Luke 24:1-12, and John 20:1-10 to grow in faith by remembering and celebrating Christ's victory over death, and to see how we're invited to participate in telling the gospel story again. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES

- April 21 – Dana D
- April 21 – Arlo B
- April 22 – Arlo & LaVonne B
- April 27 – Kimberly D
- April 29 – Clay R