

**April 27, 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)***

**This 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.

**Evening Worship** – Our final “Faith-Food-Fellowship” of the season meets at 6:00 PM. We will spend time walking with the men on the road to Emmaus who meet the risen Jesus - in Luke 24:13-35.

**Next Sunday - Morning Worship** - Pastor Bob will begin a series of sermons on “The Psalms of Ascent,” the songs of pilgrims to Jerusalem collected in Psalms 120-134. ***Too Long Too Wrong*** is based on Psalm 120, the first of these psalms.

**Evening Worship** - The congregation of Camel Reformed Church welcomes you to join us as we gather in observance for the National Day of Prayer. Our Neighborhood Prayer Service will be a joint service of Peace Lutheran Church, Lebanon CRC and Carmel Reformed Church hosted at Carmel on Sunday evening May 4 at 6PM. We hope you will join us as we join our hearts together in prayer for the spiritual well-being of our nation and neighbors and for the Church to be a faithful witness to Christ in our time.

**Today’s Offerings: Lebanon Budget / Hope Haven**

Next Sunday’s Offerings: CRCNA Ministry Share Pledge / Cornerstone Prison Church

#### **Serving One Another**

Refreshments after morning worship today: Barry & Jodi Haverhals

Sound Booth attendants today: Arlo, Dan, Clay

Refreshments after morning worship next week & **remembering our shut ins**: Cole & Shelby Haverhals

Sound Booth attendant next week: Rick, Myron, Carly

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The council will be assigning households to visit Greeta Kruid, or to send a note or small favor to her, each week, starting in May. This will be added to the “Refreshments after morning worship” duties for the week.**

Pastor Bob will be away this Monday-Wednesday at a CRCNA 'Gather' meeting in Des Moines. About 30 CRC members from across the USA and Canada will meet to reflect upon the Lord's future for our denomination's mission and ministry.

Pastor Bob and Jan will be away May 5-10 in Michigan. Pastor Bob belongs to the Council of Delegates, the governing body of the CRCNA. They will meet in Grand Rapids May 7-9.

Pastor Wick Hubers will lead our worship on Sunday, May 11.

**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

### **Sunday, April 27**

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

6:00 PM – Faith, Food, Fellowship

### **Sunday, May 4**

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

6:00 PM - Neighborhood Prayer Service at Carmel Reformed Church

## PRAYERS & PRAISES

- 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 Greta 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. Cornerstone Prison Church benefits from our financial and prayer support. Pray for Pastor Scott Van Voorst and each of our Christian brothers who live out Christ's gospel in prison.
- 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 – Centerpointe Congregation, Pastors Chris Godfredsen & Jamie Dykstra.

## SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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.

Have you had a chance to consider a gift to the **Western Christian Spring Drive**? We're so grateful for the many ways our school community supports the mission of Western Christian. Spring Drive information was shared in church mailboxes, included in the recent Western Witness, and is available at [www.westernchristianhs.com](http://www.westernchristianhs.com).

Ladies, plan to attend **Bible League's Spring Salad Luncheon** with your friends on Monday, May 5 at Rock Valley First Christian Reformed Church. Please bring one salad for every four ladies. 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.

**Groundwork: Christian Civility: Defending Our Faith without Being Defensive** - How do we disagree without being disagreeable, or handle conflicts when people slander or talk against us? Join Groundwork as we study 1 Peter 3:8-17 and Titus 3:1-11 to seek biblical wisdom for responding to and navigating a divisive culture in faithful and Christlike ways. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

## BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES

- April 27 – Kimberly D
- April 29 – Clay R
- May 1 – Val H
- May 2 – Tyler S