

April 7, 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

Today – Morning - We begin a series of sermons on Jesus' parable of "The Prodigal Son." *The Lost Son* is from Luke 17:11-24. Why would he - or we - run away from the Father's house?

Evening - Faith, Food, and Fellowship discusses Jesus' question, *Who Do You Say I Am?* from Mark 8:27-29.

Next Sunday – 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!

Today's offerings: Classis Iakota Ministry Shares / Youth for Christ

Next Sunday's offering: Sos & Kara Mission Support / Zestos

Serving One Another

Refreshments after morning worship today: Pastor Bob & Jan Drenten

Sound Booth attendants today: Caden, Myron, Carly

Refreshments after morning worship next week: Dan & Dana Dunn

Sound Booth attendants next week: Arlo, Cole, Addy

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Edie Dekkers submitted to knee replacement surgery last Tuesday at the Sioux Center Hospital. She was able to return home Wednesday and was doing well.

Ladies Bible Study and Men's Bible Study meet Wednesday. Check the bulletin calendar for times.

Our church grounds cleanup will be Saturday, April 13, at 9:00 AM. Please come to help rake and clear branches.

Faith, Food, and Fellowship evening worship dates - **April 7 & 21.**

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 7

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

6:00 PM – Faith, Food, and Fellowship

Monday, April 8

6:30 PM – Consistory

7:30 PM - Council

Wednesday, April 10

1:30 PM – Ladies Bible Study

7:00 PM – Mens Bible Study

Saturday, April 13

9:00 AM – Church Grounds Cleanup

Sunday, April 14

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- Pray for Edie Dekkers' recovery from knee surgery.
- Remember Willie Dragstra and Greeta Kruid at Crown Pointe Estates.
- Kinzie Dekkinga passed away in Colorado last week. Pray for comfort for her family.
- Continue to pray for Emmett Haverhals, who returned to Mayo Clinic a week ago. Remember him and his family, including sister Clara, parents Mark & Molly, and grandparents Robert & Val Haverhals.
- 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 – Whispers of Love, Hope & Joy Congregation, Pastor Debra Rensink.

SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sioux Center Christian School's Trail'Raiser Trek is a come and go event on Saturday, April 13 from 8:00am – 11:30am at school where you can give to help build the Blazer Center gym floor. Walk through school, find Trek Quest clues, enjoy a delicious brunch, purchase gourmet cupcakes, bars, and snack mixes, iced coffees and fruit refreshers, Truth t-shirts, and Truth decals. Look for the flyer in your church mailbox or go to siouxcenterchristian.com > Support SCCS > Trail'Raiser Trek.

We invite all Unity supporters to attend the **Unity Society Meeting** on Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00pm in the Knight Center. Board members will be elected at this meeting. The nominees are from 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 also a budget to pass for the 24-25 school year.

Dordt University's Criminal Justice and Social Work departments, in cooperation with the Sioux County Sheriff'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 event is open to all, but due to the sensitive nature of this topic, discretion is advised. Invited guests represent the following offices: Iowa Attorney General, U.S. Attorney, FBI, Sioux County Attorney, CAASA, and the Family Crisis Center.

The **Annual Western Christian Foundation Luncheon** is Wednesday, April 24 at noon in the Western Christian Event Center. Mr. 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 10 – Alissa R
- April 10 – Ashley D
- April 12 – Nola VD
- April 12 – LaVonne B
- April 13 – Cinda VG