

April 10, 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

“The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice today and be glad in it.” – from Psalm 118 (NIV)

Welcome to Lebanon Christian Reformed Church. On this Palm Sunday we celebrate Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem hailed as Christ and King.

This Morning – Pastor Bob’s sermon, “The Teacher and His Cross: Jesus and His Father’s Hands,” is from Luke 23:44-49. We will also observe a preparatory service anticipating holy communion on Maundy Thursday.

Maundy Thursday – We gather at 7:00 PM to observe the fulfillment of Jesus’ gift of love for us on the cross. Pastor Bob’s Message, “Jesus’ Word of Grace,” from Luke 23:39-43, focuses on Jesus’ promise to the thief on the cross. We will celebrate holy communion.

Easter Sunday Morning – Our “Sonrise” worship begins as we gather at **6:35 AM in the cemetery**, weather permitting. As the sun rises, we remember those who went to Jesus’ empty tomb early on the first day of the week, on the third day after his crucifixion. Pastor Bob’s message, “The Teacher and His Cross: Jesus Buried,” from Luke 23:50-56 and John 12:24, explores God’s precious promise of resurrection in Jesus Christ. Our youth group will serve breakfast following the worship service.

Today’s offerings: Dekkers Mission / Hawarden Food Pantry

Maundy Thursday offering: Resonate Global Mission

Next Sunday’s offerings: Benevolent Fund / New Roots Ministry

Serving One Another

Refreshments after morning worship today and remembering our shut-ins this week: Ken & Julie Dragstra

April Special Music – Barry & Jodi Haverhals

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The annual **Christian Education Auction** will be on Monday, April 11 at 7:00 PM. A list of businesses to contact is not being given this year, but feel free to contact those that you did in the past that supported the sale or places you do business with. Other donations such as baked goods or gift cards are also welcome. It takes donations from all to make the sale a success. **Please let Julie know today** what items will be donated to include on the master list for the sale (email julie@mtcnet.net or cell/text 712-441-3103). Thanks in advance for supporting Christian education!

This Sunday will be the last week of Sunday School for the school year. Thanks to all the teachers, music leaders that helped make this year a success.

We will gather for an evening worship service on Sunday, April 24, at 6:00 PM. This will be our last evening worship service until we resume in September.

The council has decided to purchase at least 30 copies of the hymnal, Lift Up Your Hearts, published by Faith Alive of the Christian Reformed Church. The cost of 30 hymnals is around \$750. The deacons will be arranging an offering in the future to raise these funds. Funds raised above this goal will allow us to purchase more hymnals. Most of the songs we sing are selected from this hymnal.

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 10

9:45 AM – Morning Worship & Prayer Service

- Children's Sunday School
- Easter Choir practice

6:00 PM – Grow Groups

Monday, April 11

7:00 PM – Christian Education Auction

Wednesday, April 13

6:00 PM – Consistory

7:30 PM - Council

Maundy Thursday, April 14

7:00 PM – Worship Service. We will celebrate Holy Communion

Easter Sunday, April 17

6:35 AM – “Sonrise” Worship Service

- Youth Group serves breakfast (Freewill donation)

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- For our shut-ins:
 - Adrian & Greeta Kruid at home in Sioux Center
 - Christina Vander Esch resides at Oak Hill Assisted Living in Hawarden
- Remember Pastor Cory & Arla Van Sloten as they grieve the loss of Arla's father, Alvin Stuit.
- Pray for the church around the world celebrating the dying and rising of Jesus Christ this week
Pray that the Holy Spirit would use this week to build our faith and gather Christ's Church.
- Continue to pray for an end to war in Ukraine. Pray for the efforts of World Renew to join in bringing relief to war victims in the name of Christ.
- 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. Pray that the Lord will provide the donors needed to raise their financial support for this year. Give thanks for the training they provide through the Teacher's Garden.
Pray for Lydia, newly led to the Lord and growing in faith.
- Pray for God's blessing for the seen which soon will be planted in hope of a harvest next fall.
- Praying for our Sioux Center Area Congregations: Carmel Reformed Church and Rev. Steve VanWhye.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ireton Christian School Spring Concert/Culture Fair/Art Fair will be held on Friday, April 22 at 7:00 PM at the school.

Ireton Christian School is seeking applications for TWO middle school teachers for the 22-23 school year. We are interested in candidates who have training and certification in middle school. Interested individuals can contact Mrs. Megan Kooima, Principal for more details at 712-463-2643 or megan.kooima@iretonchristianschool.com

All Unity supporters are invited to attend the Unity Society Meeting on Tuesday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Knight Center. Board members will be elected at this meeting. The nominees are: First CRC Sioux Center: Tami Koelewyn, Jennifer Monroe, First CRC Orange City: Brian Kroeze, Karen Van Schouwen, Hospers CRC/Immanuel CRC Sheldon: Mark Wieringa and Sheila Zevenbergen. We will have updates from the Board on the Building Project and also a budget to pass for the 22-23 school year.

Plan now to attend the Spring Salad Luncheon of NW IA Bible League, held at Sanborn CRC, Sanborn, IA on May 2 at 12:00. Program: Pastor Phil Westra will talk to us about bees, gardening and how we can use our everyday work to spread the Gospel