

**August 24, 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**

***“Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.” - Psalm 34:3 NIV***

**This Sunday - Morning Worship** - *God's Waiting Room* from Psalm 130. Sin moves us away from God. What good happens in our souls when we wait and watch for God's return to us?

**Next Sunday - Morning Worship** – Rev. Steve Boersema will lead our worship from Mark 8 with sermon titled – *The Road Less Traveled*. Pastor Bob and Jan will be on vacation.

**Today's Offerings: Hope Haven / New Roots Ministry**

Next Sunday's Offerings: Lebanon Church Budget / Love, INC.

#### **Serving One Another**

Refreshments after morning worship today: Wayne & Edie Dekkers

Sound Booth attendants today: Arlo, Ave, Clay

Refreshments after morning worship next week: Justin & Katie Dragstra

Sound Booth attendants next week: Rick, Myron, Carly

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Ken Dragstra** remained at the University of Nebraska Hospital in Omaha last week. Doctors decided to replace his medicated hip spacer with a new one, and Ken submitted to that hip replacement surgery late last week. He continues to battle four separate infections in the area of his replaced hip.

The **Sound Booth is in need of several volunteers** to help with powerpoint and sound. If you are interested in learning, and being on the schedule, please talk to Rick DeBoom.

Reminder: If you would like to contribute to the **diaper shower for Cole and Shelby Haverhals**, please bring diapers to church this week. Thanks!

The **Discipleship Committee** will meet after morning worship on Sunday, August 24 in the basement to discuss the 2025/2026 Sunday School year. If you are willing to teach or be a substitute, please let Leah Gradert or Sara Yesda know.

**Ireton CRC will host our final combined service** of the summer with the congregation of Hawarden CRC, Lebanon CRC and Ireton CRC on August 24 at 5 PM. A time of refreshments and fellowship will follow. The offering will be for Ireton Christian School.

**Classis Iakota** will meet Tuesday, September 16, at New Holland CRC. Our delegates will be Pastor Bob Drenten, Elder Rick De Boom, and Deacon Dan Dunn

**Save the Date!** Faith-Food-Fellowship Kickoff – September 7, 6:00 PM  
Communion – September 14 AM Worship

### **CALENDAR**

#### **Sunday, August 24**

9:45 AM – Morning Worship

5:00 PM – Evening Combined Worship at Ireton CRC

## Sunday, August 31

9:45 AM – Morning Worship - Rev. Steve Boersma will lead our worship

### PRAYERS & PRAISES

#### Prayer for Our Members

- Josh & Leah Gradert: Jameson, Walker, Makenzie - Household of the Week
- Ken & Julie Dragstra as Ken continues his path to recovery.
- Val Haverhals as she continues to consult with doctors regarding her kidney.
- Lisa Drenten as she adjusts to her new cochlear implant processor.
- All of our members who continue to rebuild from the recent storm damage.

#### Prayer for Our Community

- Pray for our neighbors – many grieving families who unexpectedly lost loved ones in the past couple of weeks.
- Area schools are resuming classes. Pray for the Lord's blessing for each student, teacher, staff, and leadership.
- Ireton Christian School - School of the Week

#### Prayer for Church Ministry and Mission

- Remember Sos and Kara as they return soon to their work in Africa.
- Remember Steve and Tara as they prepare teams to share the gospel in many cultural contexts.
- Pray for the ministries we share in the Christian Reformed Church. Pray we may know the joy of serving Christ together.
- Pray for Pastor Seth Atsma and family, along with Hawarden CRC, as they begin their ministry together.
- Pray for Rock Rapids CRC and Rev. Al Richardson as they enter into ministry together.
- Pray for churches searching for pastoral leadership: Calvin and Trinity CRCs in Rock Valley, Inwood CRC, Shalom CRC in Sioux Falls, New Holland CRC.
- Praying for our Sioux Center Churches –Bridge of Hope Congregation, Pastors Sam & Gail Ashmore.

### SCHOOL & AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

The First CRC Youth Group will be hosting a **Labor Day Pancake Breakfast** on Monday, September 1 from 7:30 to 9:30am at First CRC (321 2 nd St SE) serving pancakes with toppings of strawberries/chocolate chips, sausages, juice, and coffee. Freewill donations will be received for their youth group's future mission trip.

Save the Date for **Bible League Volunteer Ambassadors' dinner** (Sept 8, 6pm) and conference (Sept 9, 9:30am-2pm) at Bethel CRC to strengthen the body of Christ and raise funds for providing scripture to children worldwide with keynote speaker, Jason Van Ruler. Register before August 31 at [bibleleague.org/tickets](http://bibleleague.org/tickets).

**Groundwork: Jesus Brings the Kingdom of God Near** - When Jesus began preaching and teaching, he proclaimed that the Kingdom of God was at hand. Join Groundwork as we dig into Mark 1:14–15, Luke 4:16–21, Matthew 10:7–8, Matthew 8:1–13, John 3:1–15, Matthew 5:1–16, Matthew 6:9–10, and Luke 17:20–21 to understand how Jesus embodied God's kingdom and now invites us to live it. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES

- September 9 – Ava N
- September 9 – Joy S
- September 14 – Derek & Kylie K
- September 18 – Jan D
- September 20 – Derek K
- September 21 – Evie G
- September 23 – Cory VS
- September 27 – Darryl & Christy Z