August 16, 2020 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

Morning Worship ~ 9:45 a.m. Today we welcome Pastor Cory Van Sloten to lead us in worship.

Today's offerings: Building Fund / The Banquet

Next Sunday's offerings: Benevolent Fund / Hope Haven

Next Sunday, we welcome Mr. Keith Hoekstra as he leads us in worship.

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

For prayer concerns or to request a visit from council for health, spiritual or any other reason, please contact an elder or deacon.

Today: Farewell celebrating Pastor Cory Van Sloten. There will be a potluck lunch after the service. Grilling will start following the church service.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, August 17: Council meeting. 6:30 pm elders meet, 7:30 pm full council meets.

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- For our shut-ins:
 - o Adrian Kruid resides at home in Sioux Center with Greeta
 - o Christina Vander Esch resides at Oak Hill Assisted Living in Hawarden
- For our elderly members and parents and grandparents whose health is declining due to age
- For our marriages, that they would reflect the love of Jesus for the church
- For our church family that we would live by and grow in faith, hope and love together
- For those dealing with health concerns, for healing mercy
- For those grieving the death of loved ones and longing to be reunited with them through Jesus
- For students and teachers as they begin a new school year
- For our missionaries and their work in Texas and West Africa
- Praying for our Local Congregations: August 16 First Christian Reformed Congregation, Pastor Kurt Monroe

Guidelines and expectations for COVID-19 worship

Practice social distancing. (6 feet) No handshakes, hugs, or any other physical contact.

The nursery is closed and off limits. Avoid the restrooms if possible.

Visit outside with social distancing.

Sit as a household six feet apart from other households.

There is hand sanitizer at the bulletin racks and by the mailboxes to be utilized before & after worship.

The offering rack will be by the west entrance/exit. Drop your offering(s) in one of the bags on the rack as you exit. Maintain social distancing as you exit.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saturday, August 29: Unity Christian's Golf Outing will be held at Landsmeer in Orange City with an 18 hole shotgun start at 9am. A pulled pork lunch will be served following play. Register online at https://forms.gle/V7GWVwMUy76tij6w5; \$400/team or \$100/person (includes lunch); Students (K-12) \$200/team or \$50/person. For more information, contact Melissa Dykstra: 712-449-5463; ldykstra@mtcnet.net .

Western Christian's Fall Society Meeting update: The School Board's original plan was to host a meeting on campus on Tuesday, August 18. However, due to health risks, we are working to create alternate ways to both receive society input and offer our constituents a State of School Report. We believe we can achieve this goal by postponing the Society Meeting to Monday, September 21 at 7pm.

Love INC's Fall session of *Love & Learn* classes are starting Tuesday, August 25, 2020 at Trinity CRC in Rock Valley. We will be offering the following classes: Faith & Finance, GriefShare-support group, Parenting, Affirming Potential, Redemptive Compassion. Love INC is looking for volunteers who are willing to serve in various capacities - greeting, making a snack for class nights, childcare and Faith & Finance mentors. If you would like to volunteer or register for these classes, please contact Love INC at 476-5990. For more information on classes please visit our website at http://loveincsiouxcounty.org/site/our-ministries/.

The **Dordt University men's and women's volleyball** programs are seeking host families to each be paired with one or two incoming volleyball players. This is a great opportunity to be a blessing to a student-athlete. Hosting typically involves some of the following: invitation for home-cooked meals, church invitations, support at games, birthday well-wishes, care packages, a home away from home, or any other way you feel led to show kindness to our men's and women's volleyball student-athletes. If interested, please respond by emailing assistant volleyball coach Addison Mertler, addison.mertler@dordt.edu by August 21.

From Back to God Ministries International Groundwork: God's church seeks biblical justice. What does justice really mean; what does it look like in our world; and what can any of us really do to help bring it to pass? What is the role of the Church in seeking justice? How do we balance our calling to save souls with our justice calling? Join *Groundwork* as we turn to scripture to learn what it means for us as God's people and as God's church to seek biblical justice that stems from God's own character. Listen now at <u>GroundworkOnline.com</u> and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

From Faith Formation Ministries

Family Faith Formation Tip: As the start of the school year draws near, many kids feel fearful and anxious. It's a good time to gently remind them that their identity lies not in their accomplishments, their popularity, or what others think of them. Their identity comes from being beloved children of a loving God. "See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"—1 John 3:1 crcna.org/FaithFormation