

August 2, 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 Rev. Dave Smit to lead us in worship.

Today's offerings: Dekkers Mission / New Roots

Next Sunday's offerings: Classical Quotas / Hawarden Food Pantry

Next Sunday, we welcome Dr. Justin Bailey 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.

Search Committee update: The Search Committee is reviewing 6 profiles and listening to sermon tapes. Search Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, August 3.

Email up to date? Occasionally there is a need to send emails to the congregation. If you do not receive these emails, please let Sara know your updated email address. You can email LebanonCRCsecretary@gmail.com and it will be added.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, August 10: Lebanon CRC will serve at The Banquet in Sioux Falls.

Sunday, August 16: Farewell celebrating Pastor Cory Van Sloten. Communion will also be on this day. There will be a potluck lunch after the service. Grilling will start following the church service. Please bring a hot and cold side dish or dessert to share. Drink and tableware will be provided.

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

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- For our shut-ins:
 - Adrian Kruid resides at home in Sioux Center with Greeta
 - 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 our missionaries and their work in Texas and West Africa
- **Praying for our Local Congregations:** August 2 – Covenant Christian Reformed Church, Pastor Joel Kok

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

Thank you for your recent contribution towards our ministry! We give thanks to God for his faithfulness in providing for his Kingdom work here in West Africa. Despite challenges related to Covid-19, we have been able to continue serving and walking alongside Christian schools and teachers in this part of the world. We recently completed a project geared towards serving the distance learning needs of students amidst the crisis, and we are working alongside local educators to prepare and provide materials for learning that are otherwise lacking in the local schools. Please pray with us that the Lord would continue to lead us with His wisdom as we discern the best ways to come alongside local educators. Together in Christ, Sosthene and Kara Maletoungou

The **Dordt University football program** is seeking hosts for incoming football players. This year the need is great again due to another large class of incoming freshmen. Have you hosted before and could take on another student or two? Have you considered hosting but just not sure? Either way, this is a great opportunity to be a blessing to a student athlete. Hosts typically love on these guys with meals, church invitations, support at games, birthday well-wishes, care packages, a home away from home, or any other way you feel led to host. An opportunity for you to have an initial meeting with your student will be provided. If interested, please respond by emailing assistant football coach Devin Eekhoff, devin.eekhoff@dordt.edu by August 5.

Wednesday, August 5: You are invited to a monthly community prayer meeting with a global focus from 7:30-8:30pm. The meeting will take place on zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/9411950597>. The global focus will be Bible translation and the local focus will be Youth For Christ Sioux County. We would love to have you join us. We have a Facebook group for people to stay informed of the prayer meetings. Search: "Sioux County community global prayer meetings" and join the group to stay informed.

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/>.

From Back to God Ministries International Groundwork: Justice, Lament, and Flourishing. Recognizing and acknowledging injustice is the first step in toward making justice a reality. But then what? How do we incorporate a sense of longing for justice into our prayer life? How do we look and work for it in our communities and our world? Studying scripture to discover God's design for justice and flourishing in our lives helps us begin to see how our pursuit of God's justice will find expression through our prayer life, through our actions, and through our obedience to the law of God. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

From Faith Formation Ministries

Family Faith Formation Tip: How warm is your family? The good people at the Fuller Youth Institute tell us that "in a comprehensive study of relational dynamics in more than 300 families spanning 35 years, family warmth was more correlated with faith transmission than any other relational factor (including amount of contact between the generations, the type of contact, and the number of children in the family)." crcna.org/FaithFormation