

Morning Worship ~ 9:45 a.m. / Evening Worship ~ 6 p.m.

April 15, 2018

Welcome to Lebanon Christian Reformed Church! The mission of Lebanon CRC is to live by and grow in faith, hope, and love—together.

Today's offerings: Building Fund / Gideons

Next Sunday's offerings: World Renew / Back to God Ministries International

Serving One Another

Nursery today: Dan & Dana Dunn / Nursery next Sunday: Dan & Miranda Gradert

Refreshments after morning worship today and visiting our shut-ins this week: Jason & Amanda Van Driessen

Refreshments after morning worship next Sunday and visiting our shut-ins next week: Cory & Arla Van Sloten

Congregational Announcements

Seminarian (and Pastor Cory's friend) **Jordan Helming** is providing pulpit supply this morning. Welcome, Jordan! Tonight, we will show Louie Giglio's message (40-45 minutes) "How Great Is Our God", which combines creation (general revelation) and the Word of God (special revelation) in ways that will leave you in awe of who our God is. Don't miss this inspiring message! The deacons will receive your offering tonight for local Gideons as you exit the sanctuary.

Women's Bible Study is Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m., March 13 – April 24, using a 7-session study based on Priscilla Shirer's book *Discerning the Voice of God: How to Recognize when God Speaks*. All women from the congregation are welcome and encouraged to come and welcome and encouraged to invite other women to join us!

We are providing the chapel service at Hillcrest in Hawarden today, April 15 at 12:30 p.m. Please join us!

Women of all ages are invited to a time of fellowship on the first and third Tuesday of each month (April 3 & 17) at 10 a.m. at Casey's Bakery to connect with and encourage each other. You may come and go as you please.

Consistory (elders) and council (elders and deacons) will next meet Tuesday, April 17; consistory at 6:30 p.m. and council at 7:30 p.m. As always, direct any questions or concerns to an elder or deacon or Pastor Cory.

Congregational Prayers and Praises

*For our shut-ins:

Elmer & Artie Bonnema Elmer resides at Crown Pointe in Sioux Center; Artie at Sheldon Sanford Senior Care

Adrian Kruid Resides at home in Sioux Center

Severt & Christina Vander Esch Reside at Oak Hill Assisted Living in Hawarden

*For our elderly members and parents and grandparents whose health is declining due to age

*For those grieving the death of loves ones and longing to be reunited with them through Jesus

*For those dealing with health concerns; for healing mercy and sufficient grace

*For our children, that they would grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus

*For our marriages, that they would reflect the love of Jesus for the church

*For our missionaries, the Dekkers' & Maletoungou's, and their work in College Station, Texas and Guinea, Africa

*For Cate Cave, living and serving in Chiapas, Mexico

*For Robert Raithle, our exchange student from Germany staying with Searcy's; Ruihan Chen has returned to China

*For Dan & Miranda and baby girl Gradert, due in April

*For Jason and Amanda and Ember and Jaxon and baby Van Driessen, due in May

*For Cody Gradert and Katelyn Probst, engaged to be married on May 26

*For Justine Van Sloten and Klay Byker, engaged to be married on June 1

Other Announcements

Unity Christian High School's Annual Society Meeting is Tuesday, April 17 at 7 p.m. in the Knight Center. This meeting will include approving the 2018-19 budget, a foundation report, election of new board members, and annual update of the school. Board nominees include: Sioux Center Covenant CRC: Adam Fedders and Andy Landman; Sioux Center URC: Dan Byl and Frank Bulk; Orange City Immanuel CRC: Jamie Nibbelink and Chris Nonhof.

James Prichard, a Christian attorney from Barnabas Foundation, will be meeting with Christian families in our area on Wednesday, April 18 and Thursday, April 19 for confidential will planning consultations at no charge and no obligation. Simply call Barnabas Foundation toll-free at (888) 448-3040 to schedule your complimentary conversation with Jim. To help you get started, you may also request a free special resource titled "7 Reasons to Review Your Will" by simply sending an e-mail request with "7 Reasons Request" in the subject line to info@BarnabasFoundation.com.

New Roots Ministry of Sioux Falls invites you to "My Neighbors—Immigrants & Refugees in the Region" on Saturday, April 21 from 10 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. at Shalom Christian Reformed Church (4100 S. Southeastern Ave) in Sioux Falls. Hear life stories of a religiously and culturally diverse group of immigrants and refugees (African, Asian, Eastern European, Latin American) and enjoy an ethnic meal (some American food too). There is no cost to attend. For more information or questions, contact Pastor Fred Wilgenburg, Director of New Roots Ministry, by calling or texting (605) 376-6330 or by emailing sfnewroots@gmail.com.

Sioux County Habitat for Humanity invites you to a home dedication in Sioux Center on Saturday, April 21 at 11 a.m. to give thanks to God and ask for his blessing on this home and the Garcia family. The home is located at 844 8th Ave. NW. Refreshments will follow a short program, and everyone is welcome!

"Good Battle" Israel Tours: There are still some \$2,500 discounted trips to Israel in 2018 or 2019 with author Cliff Graham and his team—first come, first served. If interested or for more information, go to goodbattletours.com, or contact Cliff Graham at hello@cliffgraham.com, or check out his Facebook page at facebook.com/cliffgrahamauthor, or talk to Charlie or Nola or Amanda Van Driessen.

From Back to God Ministries International

Justice, Lament, and Flourishing: 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? Join Groundwork in studying Luke 18:1-8 and Exodus 20:8-11 to discover how we can participate in God's design for justice and flourishing. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.