

January 12, 2020

Morning Worship ~ 9:45 a.m. / Luke's Dispatches Video: Episode 1 ~ 6:00 p.m.

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: Denominational Quotas / Cornerstone Prison Church

Next Sunday's offerings: Building Fund / Informed Choice of Iowa (informedchoiceia.org)

Serving One Another

Nursery today: Jason & Amanda Van Driessen / Nursery next Sunday: Darryl & Christy Zeutenhorst

Refreshments after morning worship today and visiting our shut-ins this week: Verlyn & Karel Dekkers

Refreshments after morning worship next Sunday and visiting our shut-ins next week: Wayne & Edie Dekkers

Congregational Announcements

Church education for children and young people (preschool through high school) continues today after morning worship. Parents, please have your children and young people regularly attend, in keeping with the promises that you and the congregation made to each other at baptism.

Advance Announcements

Sunday, January 19: Brett Roby, Hope Haven resident and Western Christian superfan will be our monthly discipleship special speaker after morning worship.

Monday, January 20: Council meets

Tuesday, January 21: Women's fellowship at Casey's Bakery

Minn-I-Kota is hosting its 1st Annual High School Youth Lock In Praise and Worship night at the Sioux Center Bethel CRC Lighthouse from 10pm-8am Friday, January 31 through Saturday, February 1. If any high school students are interested, please let Christy or Sara know to get you registered by January 17.

Congregational Prayers and 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 Ken Dragstra, recovering from knee surgery
- For Pastor Cory as he transitions into his new role with the military
- For our church, that we would live by and grow in faith, hope, and love—together
- For our elderly members and parents and grandparents whose health is declining due to age
- For others dealing with health concerns, for healing mercy and/or sufficient grace
- For those grieving the death of loved ones and longing to be reunited with them through Jesus
- For our marriages, that they would reflect the love of Jesus for the church
- For our children, that they would grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus
- For our missionaries and their work in Texas and West Africa
- For Jaron & Kadee and Tatum and baby boy Van Beek, due in January
- For Derek Bonnema and Alexa Schut, engaged to be united in covenant marriage April 18
- For Joseph and Francis and baby Cave, due in April

Additional Announcements

Unity Christian High School Homecoming 2020 will be held on Friday, January 24. Sarah (Kaemingk) Jensema, alumnus from the class of 2010, will speak at the chapel at 1:00 p.m. The Homecoming court will be presented after the speaker, following by a student talent show. Evening activities, beginning at 3:45 p.m., will include four basketball games, presentation of Homecoming royalty, and dance team performances. All alumni and friends of UCHS are invited to the afternoon and evening activities. New activities and decades dress will be highlighted for our alumni – come join us!!

Living Room Reset – an event on marriage and parenting will be held on Friday, February 28 in Sheldon at the Crossroads Pavilion. Kirk Cameron will be there with special guest Matt Hammit formerly of Sanctus Real and special video messages from Kirk's wife, Chelsea. Get Early Bird tickets now until January 15, 2020.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/living-room-reset-with-kirk-cameron-live-in-person-sheldon-ia-tickets-83757682483?aff=Church>

The award-winning January Series of Calvin University is coming to Sioux Center. Monday, January 13 through January 28, 2020, Covenant Christian Reformed Church will broadcast one of the nation's leading lecture and cultural arts series from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM each weekday. The 15 speakers will offer informed perspectives on a wide range of today's most relevant topics including poverty and hunger, the global water crisis, immigration, mass incarceration, religious freedom, and big data's inequality and threat to democracy. The lectures are free and open to the public. For a full list of speakers and topics, visit <https://calvin.edu/january-series/2020-speakers/>.

From Back to God Ministries International

Groundwork: What does it mean when Jesus Christ tells his followers (and consequently us) “*you* are the light of the world”? Study Jesus' words in **Matthew 5** and uncover the significant lessons it holds for our discipleship. Through his teachings about salt and light, Jesus helps us understand our purpose. Discover what being Christ's light means for how we live our lives and share our faith as followers of Jesus today. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

From Faith Formation Ministries

Family Faith Formation Tip: *Faithful Families: Creating Sacred Moments at Home* by Traci Smith (Chalice Press), contains hundreds of ideas for traditions, ceremonies and spiritual practices that build faith, from creating a “sacred space” in your house, to mealtime and bedtime blessings, to new ways to pray together. It's an amazing resource that can help families with children start some new household faith habits in the new year. crcna.org/FaithFormation