

Our Mission is ...

to know Christ, to grow in Christ, to serve Christ,
and to share Christ, all to God's glory.



Luverne Christian Reformed Church

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Announcements Deadline -Thursday at Noon

Worship Services

Sunday Morning, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening, 6:30 p.m.

Our Missionaries

J.C. & Family
Missionaries to Asia
CRC Resonate Missions

Aguilar Palma
World Renew
Guatemala

Cornerstone Church
SD State Penitentiary
Sioux Falls

Adam Ramirez
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November 20, 2022

Morning Worship Service

9:30 a.m.

Scripture Meditation – Ephesians 5:31–32

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

* Hymn – SP #11(vs.1–2) “I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord”

* God’s Greeting and Mutual Greeting

* Hymn – PH #314(vs.1–3) “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

God Renews Us

Call to Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

God’s Will for Our Lives

Hymn – SP #99(vs.1–3) “In Our Households, Heavenly Father”

God Guides Us

Congregational Prayer

Offertory/Offering for Hills Christian School

*Hymn of Preparation – PH #284(vs.1–3) “Give Thanks to God, for Good is He”

Scripture Reading – Malachi 2:10–16 (page 1489 in pew Bibles)

Sermon – “*Rekindling Hope: A Faithful God*”

I. Faithless Marriages (2:10–12)

II. Faithless Separations (2:13–16)

Prayer of Application

*Hymn – (vs.1,2(chorus),3&4(chorus) “His Robes for Mine”

God Sends Us

*God’s Blessing

*Closing Adoration – SP #41(vs.1–2) “God, the Father of Your People”

*Postlude

If you are visiting, looking for a church home, or have a prayer request, please fill out the card in the pew and deposit it in the offering plate.

November 20, 2022

Evening Worship

6:30 p.m.

Scripture Meditation – 1 Timothy 2:1–4

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

God Greet Us

Call to Worship(responsive reading) and Opening Prayer

*Opening Praise – LUYH #356(vs.1–3) “Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, My God”

*God’s Greeting

We Respond in Faith

*Confession of Faith: Apostles Creed

* Hymn of Faith – SP #103(vs.1 & 2) “O How He Loves You and Me”

Prayers of God’s People

God Instructs Us

*Hymn of Preparation – PH #422(vs.1, 2, & 4) “O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts”

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:1–23 (page 1221 in pew Bibles)

Sermon: “*Disrupted to Be a Blessing*” – Rev. Zachary King

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Response – SP #32(vs.1, 3, & 4) “I Surrender All”

We Depart to Serve

*God’s Blessing

*Closing Adoration – PH #325(vs.1 & 3) “Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

Postlude

(Offering for Education Fund - put in offering plates at the door)

November 20, 2022

Greeters

West Door

East Door

Today: John & Marg Vis
Thanksgiving: Wrede & Barb Vogel
Next Week: Brant & Stephanie Van Dyke

Pete & Maria Vis
Ken & Phyllis Vos
Don & Marcia Bork

Accompanist

Today: Phyllis Vos
Thanksgiving: Phyllis Vos
Next Sunday: Darlene Dreessen

Sound System

Today: Eric Haan
Thanksgiving: Eric Haan
Next Sunday: Derek Hamm

Nursery

Today: Jordan Swyter & Cora Mesman
Thanksgiving: Maddie Fick
Next Sunday: Kaydence Van Dyke & Elsie Steenholdt

Offerings

Today: A.M. – Hills Christian School
P.M. – Education Fund
Thanksgiving: A.M. – Budget or as designated
Next Sunday: A.M. – Rock County Food Shelf
P.M. – New Roots Ministry

Highway 75 Wayside Chapel Cleaning

Cleaning: This Week: John & Evonne Top
Next Week: Larry & Melinda Top

Week's Events

**We extend a warm welcome to all who have joined us for
worship today!**

Today: 9:30 a.m. **Morning Worship Service**
10:50 a.m. **Sunday School/ Catechism**
6:30 p.m. **Evening Worship Service**
Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. **Ladies Prayer Time**
5:30 p.m. **Sunday morning Service broadcast on Vast**
Thursday: 9:30 a.m. **Thanksgiving Service**
12:30 p.m. **Sunday evening Service broadcast on Vast**

Our Church Family

- **Continued Prayers** for John & Mary Brands, Marg Vis, Vonda Nibbelink, Will Pap, Dave Sandbulte, and Carol Hoogland.

Announcements

- **Welcome to all who gather with us in worship!** We welcome Pastor Zachary King to our pulpit at this evenings worship service. He is a pastor in the Christian Reformed Church and was chosen by Synod 2022 to be the General Secretary of the CRCNA. From 2017 to 2022, he served as the Director of Resonate Global Mission, the mission agency of the CRC. Before that, he served as a missionary with Resonate in Haiti and Nigeria and as a pastor in Allendale, Michigan. Zachary is married to Sharon, who also worked alongside him as a missionary, and who now serves as a hospice chaplain in West Michigan. Zach and Sharon have four teenage children and live in Kentwood, Michigan.
- **Address Change.** Will and Marge Pap's address is changed to 510 Uithoven Ave.; Luverne, MN 56156.
- **Thanksgiving service.** Join us for our annual Thanksgiving worship service this Thursday at 9:30 am. We will begin our holiday together, thanking God with prayers and praise, including special music. The message will be delivered by Pastor James Kong, a 2021 Westminster Seminary California graduate and friend of the Steenholdts.
- **Instrumentalists for the Thanksgiving service** should meet at the church Thanksgiving morning, November 24, for practice at 8:45am.
- **Classis Christian Higher Education Grant** applications are now available to current students at CRC-approved colleges and universities. You can contact Pastor Joe for an application if you are interested in applying for this grant. The applications need to be in by Dec 24.
- **FOOD SHELF:** The month of November is Luverne CRC's month to give to the Rock County Food Shelf. Please prayerfully consider giving generously to this very worthy cause to help those in need. There will be the shopping cart and table set up in church by next week Sunday 11/6 for donations. Thank you in advance for giving generously. Extra needs at the food shelf are: Snack Items (Crackers, Cookies, Popcorn, Coffee, Tea, Etc.)
- **Congregational Meeting, Monday, November 28, 2022.** The council presents the following nominations of office bearers to be voted on at the Congregational Meeting on Monday, November 28. For the office of elder: Rod Fransman, Brad Klarenbeek, Ethan Mesman, John Top, Tim Van Bruggen and Shawn Vis. For the office of deacon: Stacy Dilly, Derek Hamm, Dustin Van't Hof, and Jeff Van Santen.

- **Council notes:**

- Information was received on a 2023 Daily Bible Reading plan called “Unfading Truth” that other area Reformed churches and pastors are collaborating on. The information will be communicated in upcoming bulletins for those who wish to follow along by email or text.
- Further correspondence was received from Dr. Cookson from The Shepherd’s Way Biblical Counseling Center of Sioux Falls. This is a new location and initiative connected with the Institute for Reformed Biblical Counseling (IRBC). A motion was passed to include them in an upcoming offering with more information on this ministry communicated with the congregation.
- Correspondence was received announcing that Mary Jane Brown is ending the scheduling of Sunday services in 2023.
- The committee reports were given with maintenance pleased by the progress on support for the outdoor tables.
- Pulpit supply reported on upcoming guest preaching for Nov 20 PM – Rev. Zachary King; Nov 24, Thanksgiving – Pastor James Kong; Nov 27 PM – Rev. Stephen Wynja; Dec 31 Old Year’s – Rev. LeRoy Christoffels; Jan 1 AM – Mr. Leland Vanderaa.
- Treasurer and fund reports were received from the deacons.
- Men’s Bible study will be led this year by Theron Feikema; possible study materials were discussed.
- Rod Fransman will be a steering committee volunteer from our church for the Watertown Hope for Life Church.
- Pastor Joe and other council members plan to be at the Senior D.C. Trip send-off in the church parking lot on Tuesday morning to pray before the group leaves on the bus for the airport.
- The Lord’s Supper will be celebrated next on Sunday, December 11. Mutual censure was taken.
- A Congregational meeting is scheduled for Monday, Nov 28, at 7:00 pm. The next council meeting will be Tuesday, Dec 20, 2022.

- **Upcoming events at SWC:** Mark your calendars and plan to attend the upcoming events at SWC Schools!

- December 12 - Christmas Program, grades K-4 9:30 AM
- December 19 - Christmas Concert, grades 5-12 7:00 PM

- **The Rock County SHARE program** will be distributing groceries, clothing, and toys to Rock County residents in need on Wednesday December 7th from 12:00pm to 1:30pm at the Luverne National Guard Armory (309 S Freeman Avenue). Those wishing to receive from the program must apply by Wednesday November 23. The Chamber has printed applications for your members if needed. We would be happy to mail them or email them to people in need. If people want to pick them up, our office

hours are M-F from 8 am to 5 pm and Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm. They are also available on the home page of our website. www.LuverneChamber.com

Upcoming Events

- **2023 Prayer Catalyst Gathering:** The Classical Interim Committee is seeking the name of an individual who would represent Classis Minnkota at a prayer gathering to be held in southern California on February 21-22, 2023. This would be two days of prayer, worship, and fellowship to pray for the CRCNA. If you or someone you know is willing to consider taking this opportunity or desire more information, please contact Rev. Roger Sparks by Monday, November 28, 2022, at rdsparks1981@hotmail.com
- **St John Lutheran Church** is doing our Festival of Nativities again this year. We would like to invite your congregation to visit and enjoy strolling through our nativities this Christmas season. View nativities of every kind. St. John Lutheran Church, 803 N Cedar St; Fri., Dec. 2, 4 - 7 pm; Sat., Dec. 3, 9 am - 3 pm. FREE ADMISSION, Refreshments served. See Flyer on the bulletin board for more information.
- **Attention Rock County Churches:** New Life Celebration Church has been giving out food for the past 20 years. The food ministry will be giving out their last food distribution on December 15th of this year unless something changes. It is not lack of money or interrupted food shipments that will end this ministry. The fact is that the workers are getting too old to do the work. This is a plea for anyone in Rock County to take over this vital ministry that serves 100 plus families each month. ATLAS of Rock County would be happy to continue providing the venue for the food giveaway and New Life Celebration Church would consider giving a financial contribution to keep this ministry going if needed. Please call Gloria Vink at 283-4366 or Jean Staeffler at 283-8963 if you or your church would like to keep this ministry going.
- **Thriving Essentials** - Thriving Essentials is a new training course for elders, deacons, church staff, and any volunteer ministry leader. Learn more about the course at this website: crcna.org/Thrive and connect with Renae Kleinhuizen at Rock of Life CRC (willmarcrc@gmail.com) to find out specifics and to register for this event coming up on Saturday, December 3. Look for the "Thriving Essentials Registration" button or contact Renae Kleinhuizen at willmarcrc@gmail.com. Registration deadline is November 26. There will be a free-will donation box to help cover the cost of lunch and refreshments, but the training is free of charge. See Flyers on bulletin board.
- **ATLAS of Rock County would like to introduce TreeHouse (for teenagers)** that will be starting in Rock County. This ministry is to help teens build healthy relationships, learn coping skills to navigate life's obstacles, discover their personal value, and look to the future with hope (most of all!) Ending hopelessness in teens' lives is our mission. We will be meeting in the Community Room in the ATLAS building (next to Redeemed Remnants store) once a week on Thursdays from 6:00-8:00 p.m. A meal will be provided. See Flyer on the bulletin board.