

Leota Community Church
Morning Worship
March 3, 2024
WE APPROACH OUR GOD

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship #86

"Give Him Glory"

* Songs of Praise #87:1-3, 6

"May Jesus Christ Be Praised"

#88:1,4

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

#89:1,2,4

"Our Great Savior"

Congregational Prayer

* Hymn of Preparation -

"Ancient Words"

(Children dismissed for Children's Worship)

* Offertory Prayer

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture: **Nehemiah 6**

Message: **Operation Intimidation**

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Song - #477:1-3

"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

* Parting Words

* Postlude

Welcome to Worship!

Evening Worship: Pastor Mark Groen

Scripture: Genesis 44:1-34

Message: **The Brother's Sorrow**

Offering Ebenezer: Gen Fund/ Bethany Chr Services **Next Sunday:** Gen Fund/Tuition Need

Offering Bethel: General Fund/Improvement Fund **Next Sunday:** General Fund

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH AND SERVICE

SUN 10:45 AM Choir rehearsal

MON 7:00 PM Council Meeting at Ebenezer

WED 6:30 PM Family Night Ministries

7:30 PM Worship Committee meets at Ebenezer

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Congratulations to **Arnie Gunnink** who celebrates his 90th birthday on March 5th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EVERYONE is invited to join us for fellowship and refreshments following the morning service.

Congregation Update Meeting will take place at the end of the morning worship service. Pastor Mike will make a five-minute presentation and then everyone may enjoy refreshments.

Choir will meet right after the meeting following the service for a short rehearsal. Please consider joining us. We could use more singers. We will sing on Maundy Thursday and Easter morning.

Next Prayer Gathering – Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in Bethel's basement. Spend a few minutes praying for the people and ministry before attending the worship service.

Ministry Day in Leota – Pastor Mike will be in this Monday afternoon/ evening. If you would like to meet with him, please contact him

Directories and Newsletters are in your mailboxes.

Wednesday Night Ministries - The entire family is invited to attend.

- * 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. – a meal for everyone!
- * 6:45 to 8:00 p.m. – nursery care provided
- * 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. – children, youth, & middle school ministries
- * **7:00 to 8:00 p.m. – young adults (single or married) fellowship**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: we are looking for 2-3 people who are willing to go record an inspirational message for our local Christian radio station KDWC. They will be 1-1 1/2 minutes in length. For more information get in contact with Todd Vis, 507-215-2084

Participants Needed for...

- * **The Prayer Service for Crops & Industry** (March 13) – a person to read Psalm 65, people to pray.
- * **Maundy Thursday Service** (March 28) – seven families/couples to read a Scripture passage, read a brief meditation, introduce a time of prayer, extinguish a candle.
- * A **Photographer** to take pictures of the upcoming holiday services, the Wednesday night ministries, and other ministry activities for our Church Profile.

Contact Pastor Mike to volunteer!

The **Leota GEMS Pie Fundraiser** is going on now through Wednesday, March 6. Contact one of the Gems girls to place your order or stop by V&M. Thank you for supporting this ministry! We are having a **Ham Supper** on March 13 from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. before Prayer for Crops & Industry service. This will be held at Bethel and proceeds will go to our Wednesday night program.

March 17, 2:30 pm: Please join us for our **Annual Music Festival** at First CRC of Edgerton. Southwest's Choirs, area churches and choral groups will present individual numbers during this afternoon of praise. Members of the audience will be invited to join the mass choir the Hallelujah Chorus. An offering will be taken for Southwest Christian High School (sponsored as a fundraiser by Circle #12).

SWCH Circles invite you to their annual **Fall Soup and Dessert Supper** on Tuesday March 19th. Serving time is 5:30 -7:30 pm. Menu choices include chili, cheesy vegetable, pea, and chicken rice soups, BBQ and desserts. Free will donations are gratefully accepted.

ATLAS for Life, Pipestone is excited to announce a new fundraiser! ATLAS will be hosting a greenhouse this spring supplied by VIP Floral and Greenhouse. Currently, we are looking for volunteers to help "man" the greenhouse for the 6–8-week timeframe. We are having an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 19 at 2:30 p.m. at the ATLAS office – 101 2nd St. NE in Pipestone (just north of the Ewert Rec Center) to learn more information about this volunteer opportunity for this fundraiser. Green thumbs and enthusiastic individuals are encouraged to attend this meeting for an afternoon of information, snacks, and interaction. Please call the ATLAS office if you are interested in this opportunity and unable to attend the meeting or with questions: 507-562-5777.

Cornerstone Prison Church Annual Benefit Banquet is held Monday, April 1 at Trinity CRC, Rock Valley, IA at 6:30 p.m. Save your spot by March 24 by calling Trinity CRC at 712-476-5292 or go to our website www.cornerstonepcsd.org. A free will offering will be taken as an opportunity to financially support Cornerstone's ministry. We look forward to seeing you! If you are unable to attend, you can send your donations to: Cornerstone Prison Church, c/o Dave Vande Kamp, PO Box 88708, Sioux Falls, SD 57109 or donate online at www.cornerstonepcsd.org

SAVE THE DATE - It is **Tea Party time!** All women (0-99+) are invited for a morning of tea, fellowship, and encouragement on Saturday, April 6 at 10:00 a.m. at First CRC in Edgerton. Sister's Tea will be celebrating our sisterhood in Christ as we "encourage and build one another up" (1 Thessalonians 5:11). Tea and other refreshments, a light lunch, and desserts are provided. Floppy hats optional! There will also be a free will donation box and silent auction with proceeds benefiting Royal Family Kids Camp in Southwest Minnesota (check them out Facebook). So, gather your sisters in Christ and join us for a fun morning! For more information, visit "Sister's Tea" Facebook page. If you have any question or would like to reserve a seat(s) or a table (seats 8), please contact Ashley Stoel (507-227-6446) or Courtney Vis (507-920-2831). **RSVPs due by Monday, April 1.**

Please get all announcements to Sandy by Thursday @12:00 p.m. at isschelhaas@gmail.com or call 507-215-6832.