

LEOTA COMMUNITY CHURCH

August 18, 2024

WE APPROACH OUR GOD

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Invocation

* Songs of Praise –

“Hear the Call of the Kingdom”

“The Lord Is My Salvation”

“He Is Here”

Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture: **Luke 7:18-23**

Message: **When Believers Doubt (Part 4)**

Prayer of Application

* Song of Application - #490

“Blessed Assurance: Jesus Is Mine”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

* Song - #267:1,2,4

“And Can It Be”

* Offertory Prayer

* Parting Words

* Closing Song –

“The Doxology”

* Postlude

Welcome, everyone to Leota Community Church! We are so glad you have chosen to join us today as we worship the Lord together and have fellowship! We hope that you feel right at home.

Evening Worship: Pastor Mark Groen

Scripture: **Hebrews 1:1-14**

Message: **The Supremacy of Christ**

Offering Ebenezer: Gen/Talking Bibles **Next Sunday:** Gen/Justice for All

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

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Thank you so much to each and every one for all the prayers, calls, visit, food and concern shown to Vernon for his health issues. A special thanks to Todd Vis for his calls and concerns. We are so blessed to live in a Christian community and by our church family.

-- Vernon & Arlis Prins

Congratulations to **Betty Engeltjes** who celebrates her 94th birthday on August 22nd.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated during our morning worship service. Communion will also be served at Edgebrook tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 p.m. Please inform any relative or friend about this service.

New Members Class for Youth – Today, after the morning worship in the Council Room.

Ministry Day in Leota – Pastor Mike will be in Leota Monday afternoon/evening. If you would like to meet with him, please contact him or stop by the Bethel office.

Service Group #1 will meet after church next Sunday, August 25. We are in charge of August and September church coffees and Wednesday night meals. Information is in your mailbox. Look it over and come prepared to let us know what dates work for you!

August is the month for our **Mission Fund Drive**. Our goal is to raise \$6,000.00 for our missionary in Nepal and for the Cornerstone Prison Ministry. Please write Mission Fund in the memo line of your check. Ebenezer Deacons

Do you have questions about your estate plan? If so, you can visit the website of the **Barnabas Foundation** for a live stream event on Aug 21.

The board of **Legacy Thrift Store** invites all volunteers and their spouses to an **appreciation dinner** as thanks for all the hours you have worked. The dinner is held in the ARC center of the American Reformed Church at 1720 N Burlington Ave, Worthington on August 19 at 6:00 p.m. We need to know how many will come. Please sign up by August 14 at the store or call Joyce @ 507-372-2017 or Verla @ 507-360-5811.

ATLAS for Life (101 2nd St. NE – Pipestone) will be hosting a one-day conference for men and women – **Simple Tools for Victorious Living – on Saturday, August 24 from 9am-5pm** with lunch provided. **Cost is \$50**. Please pre-register by contacting the ATLAS office at 507.562.5777, [email:office@atlasforlife.org](mailto:office@atlasforlife.org), or stop at the office on Tuesday or Thursday between 9:00am-5:00pm. More information can be found on the ATLAS website: www.atlasforlife.org

Cade Thompson Back to School Live Concert is held at the Luverne High School on September 11. All middle, high school and youth groups are invited to attend this free concert.

Advance Date: **SWC 7th Annual Tractor Ride Fundraiser**: Saturday, September 14 beginning at the American Reformed Church in Luverne.

LEOTA COMMUNITY WEDNESDAY EVENING – Our Wednesday evening activities will begin September 18. We will be serving supper at 6:30 sharp for everyone. Bible classes will follow from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

A New Sunday Morning Schedule begins starting September 15.

- * 9:00 a.m. - Sunday school (children's class: K-4th grade; youth class: 5th-8th grade; no high school class: youth will be encouraged to help with the younger classes, & adult class (volunteer to lead-contact Doug Van Peurseem or Gary Baker)
- * 10:00 a.m. – Worship Service
- * 11:15 a.m. – Fellowship Time

Elders' Training Course – The elders will be taking a training course to prepare them for examination into the EPC denomination. This course covers church history, the Bible, theology, the church, the EPC government structure and more. This 14-week course will be during the Sunday school hour (9:00 a.m.) beginning September 15. There are 12 openings for anyone to join with the elders. Please make this a high-commitment in attendance. The cost is \$20 to cover the material used. For more information about the course or interested in participating, contact Pastor Mike.

Classes will begin at **SWCH** on Thursday, August 22. We are blessed beyond measure to welcome your children back to school! With your support the mission at SWC continues: to grow and learn together, firmly rooted in Christ, so we can glorify God and bear the fruit of service to others. We're extending an invitation to all of you to join us as we kick off our first day with **Opening Chapel at the Elementary Campus at 8:30am**, exploring our school theme for this year, "Rise Up!" based on Isaiah 40:28-31. We hope to see you there!

August 20: Elementary Open House 5:45pm-7:45pm

August 22: K-12 First Day of School and Opening Chapel

August 23: K-8 School Pictures

August 26: High School Pictures

August 28: Kingdom Kids Preschool Open House and Pictures

August 30: No school

Over the summer, our SWCH Building Committee continued to gather details and determine best steps in considering a **building expansion at the High School and Elementary campuses**. We have worked toward accuracy and cost efficiency for the proposed building by communicating with engineers and construction managers. We have also considered whether this is a building that our school, community and supporters can financially support. In faith, the Building Committee is moving forward with the new information and timeline outlined in the documents below. **The SWC Society vote will take place on August 28**. Absentee ballots will be available at both school offices beginning August 12. Please review the following documents which can be found on the SWC school website at www.swcschools.org under the Who We Are tab: [SWC Building Expansion Communication - July 25, 2024](#)

[Forward On A Firm Foundation Brochure](#)

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