

LEOTA COMMUNITY CHURCH
November 24, 2024
WE APPROACH OUR GOD

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Invocation

* Songs of Praise

"My Tribute"

"He's Always Been Faithful"

"Bless His Holy Name"

Responsive Reading - Psalm 118

Congregational Prayer

* Hymn of Preparation #270

"Wonderful Words of Life"

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture: **James 4:13-17**

Message: **Facing Your Future**

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Song of Application #347:1-2

"Be Still, My Soul"

* Parting Words

* Closing Response #347:3

"Be Still, My Soul"

Welcome to Leota Community Church. We are so glad you are with us today as we worship the Lord together in the House of God!

Sunday Evening Worship: Pastor Stephen Wynja

Scripture: **Revelation 22**

Message: **He is Coming Soon!**

Offering Ebenezer: General/Alpha Center **Thanksgiving:** ½ Resonate, ½ SWCH

Next Sunday: General Fund/Benevolent Fund

Offering Bethel: General Fund/Benv Fund **Thanksgiving:** Audio Scripture Ministries, Union Gospel Mission, Center of Hope, NLTC, Missions E4, Bethany Chr Serv

Next Sunday: General Fund/Improvement Fund

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH AND SERVICE

SUN 11:15 AM Choir rehearsal

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Congratulations to **Fran Anker** who celebrates her 94th birthday on November 27th.

The family of Helene Kuik/ De Kam and Dave & Sharon Kuik and family **THANK you all!** – for your thoughts and prayers – cards and gifts – in the loss of Pete De Kam. Blessed be his memory.

With sincere appreciation, we want to say **thank you** for so many expressions of love in Glenn's passing. We have been overwhelmed by the gifts of food, memorials, prayers, texts, hugs, and concern. Thank you to our church family, from the Glenn Kooiman family.

As we approach the week of Thanksgiving, **ATLAS for Life would like to express our thanks and gratitude** to our Heavenly Father for His continued provision. With that, our thanks to church and community members who have supported ATLAS in 2024. Your prayers, presence in our

building, support of the Always Growing Greenhouse, the Christmas rummage, memorial gifts, grants received, volunteer hours, and general gift giving have assisted in touching many lives for Christ. We covet your continued prayers and support as we close out this year and look forward to what the Lord has planned for us in 2025.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Our Thanksgiving Service is Wednesday, November 27, at Ebenezer's sanctuary. The service begins at 7:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving offering goal for Bethel is \$7,000.00. We will be splitting this offering among 7 different organizations: Audio Scripture Ministries, Union Gospel Mission, Center of Hope, New Life Treatment Center, MissionE4, and Bethany Christian Services. If you want your gift to go specifically to one of these organizations please note on your check.

Pumpkin pies for Union Gospel mission and grocery items need to be brought in by Wednesday, November 27th.

Elders Training Course – next week's assignment (December 1):

- * Read chapter 14 in the Leadership Training Manual (Leading Healthy Churches)
- * Answer the questions on pages 224-225.
- * Read the contents of The Westminster Larger Catechism in pages 101-106.

The Prayer Gathering Group meets every Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. Remember – don't stop praying for our ministry!

People/Families Are Needed to light the advent candles and read Scripture on Sunday mornings during the Advent Season. If you are willing to participate contact Pastor Mike. Right now all four Sundays are available: December 1, 8, 15, & 22.

The Results from the Congregational Meetings

- * Bethel Reformed Church approved the motion to leave the RCA and join the Evangelical Presbyterian Church by a vote of 38-yes and 1-no. Randy Landhuis was selected to serve as elder for the next three years.
- * Ebenezer Christian Reformed Church approved the motion to leave the CRC and join the Evangelical Presbyterian Church by a vote of 66-yes and 2-no. Jess DeKam was selected to serve as deacon for the next three years.

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Leota Community Christmas Program will be held on Sunday, December 8

All items for the **December Newsletter** are due! Deadline is Monday, November 25.

SWC K-12 GRANDPARENTS DAY NOVEMBER 27 - We are very excited about this upcoming special event for Grandparents/Special Friends of our current K-12 students! **Grandparents, come and spend the morning with us as we celebrate YOU and the special ways you bless your grandchildren and SWC!** Most of our Grandparents have received an email from SWC regarding

Grandparents Day and if you haven't, be sure to contact the elementary office at 507-442-6181 to be added to our Grandparents contact list so you can stay up to date on school news! All the details regarding Grandparents Day can be found on our school website at www.swcschools.org. The morning concludes with a Grandparents Day program which will also be live streamed at <https://christensenbroadcastnetwork.com/sports/> or you can use the live stream link on our school website.

SWC Adult Tour to D.C. - The Senior class at SWC has just completed another successful class trip to Washington D.C. to see the many wonders of our nation's capital and now it is your turn! Arlington, Holocaust Museum, Capitol Building, Mt. Vernon, National Cathedral, plus all of the monuments and memorials is just a glimpse of what you will see and experience. I have heard for years now from parents, alumni and community members about wanting to experience a trip like this and now you can! This spring, just after the famous cherry blossoms bloom, from April 22-April 26 you can join Mr. Busker as he leads an adult trip to D.C. It will be as close of an experience as the kids get but at a slightly more relaxed pace and with a few better meal options. A good amount of walking will still be required. Enjoy a guided experience from a seasoned veteran. Cost is expected to be around \$2000.00 per person (or less) depending on your desire to room with others or not. There is only room for a maximum of 30 people. Don't hesitate to sign up in the high school office with Daci if you are interested and feel free to reach out to Mr. Busker with any questions you may have. Please sign up by December 11 so planning may begin. You've been wanting to see and experience D.C. for yourself for a while and now is your chance!

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