

Leota Community Church
March 1, 2026

WE APPROACH OUR GOD

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

A Time of Preparation for Worship

Invocation

* Songs of Praise

Here I Am to Worship
How Great is Our God
I Give You My Heart

Congregational Prayer

* Song #357

Jesus Loves Even Me

* Offertory Prayer

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture: **Luke 9:51-62**

Message: **Doing Things God's Way**

Prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Benediction

* Song of Application #372:1-3

Living for Jesus

* Postlude

Offering Today: General/New Roots Ministry

Next Sunday: General/Mission

Evening Service: Pastor Mark Groen

Scripture: 1 Peter 3:1-7

Sermon: Heirs Together

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Welcome to worship! We are so glad you have chosen to join us today as we worship the Lord together.

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make serving at the Banquet a success. We served 236 guests and we were able to bless them with \$3,000.00, which paid for the meal plus gave them a very generous donation toward their milk supply. It was a great experience!!

Congratulations to **Arnie Gunnink** who celebrates his 92nd birthday on March 5!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH & SERVICE

TODAY	9:00 AM	Sunday School for Youth & Adults
	9:15 AM	Prayer Gathering
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	11:15 AM	Fellowship Time
	11:15 AM	Outreach Meeting
	6:30 PM	Evening Worship Service
MONDAY	7:00 PM	Session Meeting at north campus
WEDNESDAY	5:30 PM	Gems meet
	6:30 PM	Community Meal & Wednesday Night Ministries

NEXT SUNDAY 9:00 AM Sunday School for Youth & Adults
9:00 AM Prayer Gathering
10:00 AM Morning Worship Service
11:15 AM Fellowship Time
11:15 AM Choir rehearsal
6:30 PM Evening Worship Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Outreach Meeting is scheduled for after the morning worship service in the Fireside Room.

Session Meeting is scheduled tomorrow evening (Monday) at the North Campus at 7:00 pm. The agenda and other information for the meeting are in your folder in the filing cabinet in the Pastor's Office.

Pastor Mike & Geraldine will be in California March 4-10.

Friendship Sunday Service Opportunities – below are ways you can serve to endure a successful outreach event for our ministry. Contact the person listed for each ministry if you would like to help. Thanks!

Parking Lot Greeters – Todd Vis

Greeters – at the doors or roaming the lobbies to direct people where to go –
Denny Vis

Person at South Campus Parking Lot – to inform our guests that the service is
across the street – Ivan Schelhaas

Ushers – pass out bulletins, seat people when the service begins – Wayne
Landhuis

Welcome Table – give gifts to our guests and answer any questions

Pray for our church members as they invite their guest – Garvin Vis

Let Us Pray for You! The people who gather to pray each Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m. are eager to pray for you as you approach the person you are going to invite to our Friendship Sunday Service. Fill out a **prayer card** (write down your name and the person you intend to invite) and drop it in the box located in the lobby. The group will pray for you on Sunday mornings and throughout the week. You are also invited to join the group for prayer on Sunday mornings.

Prayer Service for Crops & Industry – Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00 pm at the South Campus

A Night of Song and Sweets: Pre-Carnegie Hall Performance: Join us on Monday, March 2, at 8:00 pm in the SWC High School Gymnasium for **A Night of Song and Sweets**, a pre-Carnegie Hall Performance of *Illuminare*. This 30-minute piece will be performed by the SWC Chamber Choir members in anticipation of their trip to Carnegie Hall in New York City.

There are two seating and dessert options for this event:

1. A \$10 ticket for a comfortable spot at a table with a plated dessert
2. Free seating in the back chairs with a bar dessert

Table seats are limited, call Daci at 507-442-4471 to reserve your spot. This is the final fundraiser for the trip. Free-will donations will be accepted at the door. We hope you can join us!

SWC 7th-12th grade drama lovers are working hard on this year's musical, **Singin' in the Rain Jr.** A musical coming to a gym near you on March 26, 27, and 28 at 7:00 pm in SWC Elementary's gymnasium. Tickets will go on sale March 9! **Singin' in the Rain JR.** is a fun, family-friendly musical

set in 1920s Hollywood as movies switch from silent films to “talkies.” When a starlet’s voice threatens a big film, aspiring actress Kathy Selden (Hannah Masselink) secretly helps save the show — and captures the heart of leading man Don Lockwood (Jonah Uilk). Full of comedy, romance, and classic songs, it’s a celebration of hidden talent and movie magic!

AN EARTHLY MISSION WITH AN ETERNAL GOAL – Royal Family Kids Camp is a mission formed right here in our community for kids in SW MN in the foster care system. RFKC is focused on providing foster kids with a fun camp where they can experience Jesus’ love in a safe environment while building lasting relationships. You’ll find a flyer in mailboxes with information on ways people of all ages and abilities can get involved! This year’s overnight camp will be held locally June 1-4, 2026. Please consider joining this amazing opportunity to share the love of Jesus with some pretty special kids! If you have any questions, you can email us at swmnrfk@gmail.com. Join us in making moments that matter for the foster kids in our area.

March 29, 2:30 pm - Join us for the **Annual Music Festival** at First CRC of Edgerton. Southwest Christian’s choirs, along with individual and choral groups from area churches, will present selections during this afternoon of praise. The audience will be invited to join the mass choir for the Hallelujah Chorus. An offering will be collected for Southwest Christian High School (sponsored as a fundraiser by Circle #12).

Please join us for an enjoyable **evening concert presented by the Rehoboth Christian High School band from Rehoboth, New Mexico**. Hosted by the Luverne CRC, 6:30 pm, Sunday March 29, 2026. 90 students will need overnight lodging on Sunday evening, March 29. If you are able to host 2-4 students, please email Greg Kuiper at gmkuiiper83@gmail.com. Students are scheduled to be at SWMCS on the morning of Monday, March 30. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE! Southwest MN Christian will be holding their annual Black and Gold Banquet on **Saturday, April 11, 2026**, at the elementary gymnasium. Social Hour begins at 5:45, with dinner, dessert, and entertainment to follow. More details to come. If you would like to reserve a spot or host a table, please call the high school office at 507-442-4471 or the elementary office at 507-442-6181.