

**Leota Community Church**  
**January 4, 2026**  
**WE APPROACH OUR GOD**

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship – 1 Chronicles 29:11-13

\* Songs of Praise

*Come, Thou Almighty King  
Glorify Thy Name  
Majesty*

\* Invocation

The Ordination & Installation of New Ruling Elders

Congregational Prayer

\* Song

*Ancient Words*

\* Offertory Prayer

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Scripture: **Luke 4:1-13**

Message: **The Temptations of Jesus**

Prayer

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

\* Song of Application

*Yield Not to Temptation*

\* Closing Words

\* Closing Song

*Yield Not to Temptation*

\* Postlude

**Offering Today:** General/SWCH Tuition Need **Next Sunday:** General/EPC Disaster Relief

**PRAYERS AND PRAISES**

**Happy New Year** – We are glad to have you with us as we begin a new year worshipping our great and gracious God.

Congratulations to **Bud Hofkamp** who celebrates his 89<sup>th</sup> birthday on January 7<sup>th</sup>.

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH & SERVICE**

TODAY	9:00 AM	Sunday School for Adults
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	11:15 AM	Fellowship Time
MONDAY	7:00 PM	Session meets in the Fireside Room
WEDNESDAY	5:30 PM	Gems
	6:30 PM	Community Meal & Wednesday Night Ministries
NEXT SUNDAY	9:00 AM	Sunday School for Youth & Adults
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	11:15 AM	Fellowship Time

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**This Morning** we will ordain and install our new Ruling Elders. They are:

- \* Jerry Beckering & Ivan Schelhaas – Ministering Ruling Elders
- \* Loren DeGroot, Verlyn DeKam & Dave Hamm – Serving Ruling Elders

**Thank You** to all the men who have completed their term of service as Ruling Elders: Gary Baker, Keith Esselink, Tom Giese, Bill Sandbulte & Denny Vis. These men have worked hard in combining the two churches in Leota into Leota Community Church!

**Continue to Pray and Support** the other Ruling Elders who are still serving our church: Ivan DeJong, Jess DeKam, Ivan Gunnink, Jim Rozeboom, Mike Schuller, Brian Tschetter & Doug Van Peurseem

**No Sunday Evening Worship Services** for this evening.

**Prayer Gathering** – The group will resume meeting for prayer next Sunday at 9:15 p.m.

**Sunday School** will hold classes again starting next Sunday at 9:00 a.m. There are classes for children and adult

**January's Session Meeting** – tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room.

**Outreach Team** – Are you interested in having Leota Community Church grow in membership? On the second Sunday of every month after the morning worship service, Pastor Mike will meet with people who are interested learning about how the church can reach out to people and bring them into our ministry, and willing to plan and follow through outreach events. The gatherings will last 30-45 minutes. If interested, let the Pastor know your intentions. Thanks!

**SW MN Pro-Life** is sponsoring a motorcoach to our State Capital on Thursday, January 22 for the March for Life. Over 14,000 babies were murdered in MN alone last year. God asks us to pray and take a stand!! Join 1000's of others walking peacefully in front of the capital. Call or text Deb at 507-227-0796 or email [debkenya@yahoo.com](mailto:debkenya@yahoo.com).

**ATLAS for Life** is thinking about Christmas. If you are putting Christmas decorations, dishes, or other Christmas items away and thought about donating some of them, we would love to receive your donation for our annual Christmas Rummage and Boutique in November. Please contact the ATLAS office (507-562-5777) or drop off at the ATLAS office (101 2nd St. NE - Pipestone) on either Tuesday or Thursday between 9:00am-4:00pm.

**ADVANCE DATES:** February 3 – Potluck meal at Edgebrook

February 16 – Serve meal at The Banquet in Sioux Falls

**Paul's Missionary Journeys in Greece** (April 3 - 13, 2026): Travel by motor coach (6 days) and cruise ship (3 days) to sites connected with Paul's second and third missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, contact Dr. Weima at [616-328-3110](tel:616-328-3110) or [weimje@calvinseminary.edu](mailto:weimje@calvinseminary.edu)

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