

Serving at the Good Samaritan Center

Today

Vicky Levene & Joan Bleeker

April 22

Linda Cramer & Loretta Hill

Serving as Greeters

Today

West Door: Dave & Gail Strasser

North Door: Dick & Charlotte Lounsbery

East Door: Loretta Hill

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West door:

North Door:

East Door:

Serving in the Nursery

Today

Crystal Kezar & Barb Buse

April 22

Adam & Heather Aesoph

Serving Fellowship Time

Today

Joyce Olson & Laura Welch

April 22

Lori Bunjer & Michelle Strege

This Week at LEPC

Sunday, April 15

9:25 am Morning worship

Coffee Fellowship following

10:50 am Sunday school for all ages

11:45 am Covered dish meal

6:30 pm Evening worship service

6:30 pm 1st through 8th grades

7:15 pm High school youth

7:45 pm Choir practice

Monday, April 16

2:00-3:30 pm The Exchange is open

Saturday, April 21

9:00-10:00 am The Exchange is open

Wednesday, April 18

1:00 pm CCM at 2nd Reformed Church

3:30-5:00 pm The Exchange is open

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Coffee Fellowship following

10:50 am Sunday school for all ages

Lesson #28 for pre-K through 6th

6:30 pm Evening worship service



7 Keys to Christian Maturity

A SERIES ON DEVELOPING THE MINDSET OF A FOLLOWER OF CHRIST

April and May of 2018

LENNOX EBENEZER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Lennox Ebenezer Presbyterian Church

***Where we strive to grow daily in the grace
and knowledge of Jesus Christ***

April 15, 2018

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MORNING WORSHIP

APRIL 15, 2018 — 9:25 AM

Time of Preparation

Almighty God, you built your church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ himself as the cornerstone. Join us together by their teaching, so that we may be a holy temple in whom your Spirit dwells; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God Calls us to Worship

Call to Worship		Hebrews 12:1-2
* Hymn # 361	“Worship Christ, the Risen King”	REGENT SQUARE
* Prayer of Adoration		
* Hymn # 357	“Christ Arose”	CHRIST AROSE

God Renews us In His Grace

Call to Confession		Nehemiah 9:17
Prayer of Confession		
Assurance of Pardon		Matthew 11:28-30
Hymn of Assurance # 345	“What a Wonderful Savior”	BENTON HARBOR
Passing the Peace		

Giving Back to God

Offering		1 Peter 4:8-10
Congregational Prayer		

God Gives us His Word

Children’s Message		
Scripture		Colossians 3:1-4
Sermon	“A Spiritual Mind”	Rev. Ethan D. Saylor
* Hymn # 568	“May the Mind of Christ, My Savior”	ST. LEONARDS

God Sends us out with His Blessing

* Charge and Benediction		1 Thessalonians 5:13-22
* Doxology # 232	“God Be with You”	GOD BE WITH YOU

Visitors, we welcome you with open arms.

Please join us in the fellowship hall after the service for fellowship and refreshments.

7 Keys to Christian Maturity: A Spiritual Mind

Colossians 3:1-4

- I. Obstacle to Maturity: Forgetfulness
 - A. Victims of Identity Theft

- II. What You Are in Christ
 - A. You are Dead

 - B. You are Alive

 - C. You are Hidden

 - D. You will be Glorified

- III. Set your minds on things that are above
 - A. Look Not to the Things of Earth

 - B. Keep Looking To Christ

Food for Thought

"Things above" have no value or appeal except insofar as they reveal Christ, focus on Christ, and bring us more of Christ. Apart from him, they lose their luster. Apart from him, they have no power to please. Apart from him, heavenly things would be no better than hellish torments.”
Sam Storms

Questions for Discussion

1. How is spiritual forgetfulness a hindrance to our spiritual maturity?

2. What does it mean that Christ is at the very center of our identity as Christians?

3. Which of the truths regarding your status in Christ (Dead, Alive, Hidden, and Glorified) speaks the most to you right now?

4. How does this reorientation of who we are change the way we think?

5. What are the “things above” upon which we are to set our minds?

April 15, 2018

Praise & Prayer

Pray for **Ellen Abbas' husband, Arland**, who is recovering from shoulder surgery.

Pray for **Virgil Dykstra** who after a time in the hospital is now at the GSC at 401 W 2nd St in Sioux Falls.

Pray for **Francis Klock** who is now on hospice care.

Pray for **our missionaries** as they serve the Lord in the places where he has called them. Especially pray this week for **Bill & Susan Carr** as they serve at Mokahum Ministry Center at Bemidji, MN.

at home: **Vera Steever**; ... our member residents at GSC: **Bernice Bultena, Ray Bunner, Bonnie Husman & Don Kuper**; ... at Welco: **Frances Klock**, ...at Riverview Health-care & Nursing Home, Flandreau: **Mike Reed**; ...our member residents in Sioux Falls: **Virgil Dykstra** - Good Samaritan Center in Sioux Falls; **Harven Brass**, - Stoneybrooke Suites, **Erma DeWilde** - Prairie Circle, and **LaVerne Miller** - Good Samaritan Village, **BJ Olson** - Dakotabilities, **Walter Otten** - Good Samaritan Center in Canisota ...those with cancer: **Buck Berens** ... in the military: **Ben Miller**

Announcements

Today's offering... will go to the Mission Fund.

VBS information meal... for the congregation is today at 11:45 am to get a preview of the summer VBS program. All are welcome to come see what opportunities are waiting for you to serve in the church AND fellowship with one another.

S.S. mission project... for this quarter is Bibles for Children who live in captive nations. This is an outreach for Voice of the Martyrs. Each Bible costs \$6.00.

Wednesday evening activities... The 1st-8th graders will have their regular activities on April 18th. The last time to meet will be a game night on the 25th.

Community Churches in Mission... will meet this Wednesday at 1:00 pm at 2nd Reformed Church.

Union Gospel Mission Love Gift... for April is coffee. Please bring your donations by April 18th.

Secretary's hours... I will be out of the office April 19th through the 27th. The May newsletter will be printed on the 18th. If you have something you would like in it, please have it in the office **by the 16th**. Items for the bulletin for the 22nd need to be in by noon **on the 18th**. If you have an announcement for the 29th, please leave a message on the answering machine or email it to lepc@iw.net If you have a praise or

prayer item to send out, call Gloria Rops or Delphi Klusmann . I will be in the office from 8:30 am-3:30 pm on Tuesday & Wednesday.

Library books... The church library is being reorganized. There is a table on the east wall of the library and a box under it with books for the taking.

Old video equipment... If you are interested in any of the old video equipment, please see Pat Miller or Jeff Haan.

New newsletters/updates... from Bethany Christian Services is on the mission bulletin board.

Thank you... There is a thank you letter from the Union Gospel Mission for the donation from the Sunday School for meals at the Mission on the bulletin board west of the mail boxes.

Vacation Bible School ~ July 22-26

It is time to start thinking about VBS. This year our theme is *Splash Canyon: God's Promise on Life's Wild Ride*. There is a volunteer sign-up poster in the narthex on the stairway wall. Please consider how you can serve.

To register your child, please go to vbsmate.com/LennoxEbenezer or there are forms on the table under the sign-up poster that you may fill out and return to Christi Saylor or the church office.

Mission Outreach Opportunity

Ebenezer has been invited to participate in a mission outreach to the Rosebud Indian Reservation to help with Prairie Light Youth Camp for K through 8th grades that will be held on the reservation July 15-20. It is a VBS type program as well as teaching some classes like math and English. They can use high school and college age youth and adults. Families with children of the same ages are also welcome. They need a wide variety of volunteers like teachers, helpers, cooks, bus drivers, and people to do repair jobs. Minimal cost would include transportation, housing, and some meals. If you are interested or have any questions, please see Pastor Saylor.

Community announcements

Please see the bulletin board for several community announcements.