

———— Sunday, March 29, 2020 ————

———— Our Church Family ————

Continue to pray for all of us and those most effected by the **outbreak of COVID-19**. The words of Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 27 can be our statement of faith during this difficult time. I believe that the almighty and ever-present power of God, by which he upholds heaven and earth and all creatures. He rules them so that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty, all things in fact come to us not by chance but by his fatherly hand.

May God give protection and health to our church family and our community.

Wes Westra continues to struggle with his breathing as his health has declined quite rapidly again. He remains at home at this point.

Libby Scholten who has been seeking treatment for migraines received a spinal tap this week. Complications from this led to need for further procedures. Pray for relief from continued illness.

———— Ireton CRC News and Announcements ————

The Council of Ireton CRC has passed a motion to suspend all church related activities, which includes: worship, educational and youth programs, bible studies, etc. regardless of size of gathering to align with recommendations of our Center for Disease Control, Governor Reynolds, and our Interim Committee of Classis Heartland for 15 days (April 1).

The Council will re-evaluate on a weekly basis to determine the best and safest practices moving forward. The Council wants to continue a rich and meaningful worship time during these next few weeks as well. Therefore, we will be having an audio taping of both sermons available on our church home page, FB, and/or CDs will be available for distribution. More information will be coming for further explanation from Pastor Kuperus and the Council.

Please use our church website iretoncrc.com & Facebook for updates as much as possible. If do not have access to either, please don't hesitate to contact your district elder or deacon.

BULLETINS: During our time of social distancing due to COVID-19 bulletins will not be placed in church mail slots at church. You will receive bulletins by way of our church website, Facebook page or they will be sent to you through the mail. If you have bulletin announcements please only send them by email or speak directly to Nicki over the phone as they will not be picked up from the church mail slots.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS: Please **email** items for the newsletter to Nicki Weida (nickiweida@gmail.com) by 6:00 PM on **Tuesday, March 31**. Thank You

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES (IF THE SOCIAL-DISTANCING REGULATIONS ARE LIFTED):

Palm Sunday (April 5): 9:30 AM & 6:00 PM

Good Friday (April 10): 7:00 PM

Easter (April 12): 7:00 AM followed by breakfast and 9:30 AM worship

THE CHRISTIAN ED UNIT IS SELLING LITTLE CAESARS PIZZA KITS AND A PIECE OF CAKE CUPCAKES as a Spring fundraiser. One of the Christian Ed families will be contacting you for sales before April 5. Delivery of A Piece of Cake will be Sunday, April 19. Delivery of Little Caesars pizza kits will be the week of April 27. *Thanks, once again, for your continued support of Christian Education.*