

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET
March 18, 2018

Please turn in announcements by 10:30 on Wednesday mornings to the office of the First Christian Reformed Church: office@firstcrc.com or 722-0717.

Tuesday, March 20: Sioux Center Christian School's Moms in Prayer group will meet at the First Christian Reformed Church at 9:00am in the Council Room. Childcare is provided. Contact Mel Klein with questions at 712-541-8694.

Tuesday, March 20: The Grandmother's Moms in Prayer group will meet from 10-11am in Room 3 of First CRC. All grandmothers and great-grandmothers are invited to come.

Tuesday, March 20: The College and Career Moms in Prayer group will meet from noon-1pm in Room 3 of First CRC. Moms and grandmothers are invited to join us in praying for our college age and adult children.

Tuesday, March 20: Join us for a prime rib supper by Lorraine Nieuwsma to benefit the transitional home in Haiti for older kids from One Vision Orphanage & continued support of Katelyn's Fund at 6:30pm at New Life Reformed Church. Register for this event at onevisionhouse@gmail.com which also includes a raffle, silent auction, and musical entertainment. Full table sponsors are available. Tickets are \$75.

Tuesday, March 20: The Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra in conjunction with a generous grant from Sioux Center Recreation and Arts Council will present a Guest Concert by the Camerata RCO of the Netherlands at 7:30pm in the B. J. Haan Auditorium. Advance tickets are available at Evie's Hallmark in Sioux Center and Jubon Juweelen in Orange City; tickets may also be purchased at the door the night of the concert. For more information, contact the NISO office at 712-722-6230 or niso@dordt.edu.

Wednesday, March 21: All are invited to a Spaghetti Dinner at the First CRC in Sioux Center from 5-7pm. Hosted by the Dordt College Concert Band, freewill donations will be accepted to support the band's upcoming tour to Europe in May.

Friday, March 23: Hungry Free Kids of Sioux County Auction – A dinner (free will donation) will be held from 5:30-6:30pm in the Dordt College Rec Center to be followed by an auction to bring awareness to people in Northwest Iowa that there are children all over our nation who are hungry. Even in Sioux County, an agriculturally-driven community, there are kids from families who have food insecurities. Help us fill sack packs for the Sack Pack Programs in Sioux County! Our goal is to raise over \$50,000 a year to go towards Sack Pack programs and other hunger-related causes in Sioux County. In our county alone, we are in need of over 16,000 sacks per school year.

Friday, March 23: The Dordt College Concert Choir will present its tour homecoming concert at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. This is the final concert in a spring break tour that included stops in Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, and California. Directed by Mr. Ryan Smit, the ensemble will perform a wide variety of choral music, including hymn arrangements, gospel, recently composed works, part songs from the Renaissance and Romantic eras, and Hispanic music from Spain and the Southwestern United States. The concert is free, with a freewill offering received to help defray tour expenses.

Advance Announcements

Monday, March 26: Please join Love INC as we meet to discuss how the Lord has used the church to bless the people of Sioux County in 2017! Our Annual meeting will be held 7pm at the Main Street Plaza (across from M & H True Value). Everyone is welcome!

Wednesday, March 28: Everyone is invited to join in the conversation on "Loving Our Neighbor: A Christian Approach to DACA" to be held at the First CRC sanctuary in Sioux Center at 6:30pm to help Christians in Sioux Center become informed on the issue of DACA and immigration reform. You are also welcome to join us for a meal (please RSVP by March 26 to jsonlief@gmail.com; \$2 donation for meal) from 5-6:30pm in the First CRC Fellowship Hall. Sponsored by the Christian Reformed Church Office of Social Justice and SALUD of Storm Lake.

Sunday, April 1: All are welcome to join in worship at an Easter sunrise service to be held at Faith CRC at 7am.

Tuesday, April 3: Josh Larsen, a film critic and editor of *Think Christian*, a digital magazine on faith and culture, will speak at Northwestern College at 7pm. Larsen is co-host of Filmspotting, a popular podcast on class and contemporary cinema. This is a great opportunity for parents and anyone working with youth to discuss and reflect together how to engage with culture from a Christian perspective. Space at this event is limited, but is free sponsored by Northwestern's Youth Theology Institute: Living Your Faith.

Thursday, April 5: Western Christian High School's Eighth Grade Day will be held at 3pm. All eighth graders, regardless of their high school plans, are invited to visit Western on that day. Western will provide transportation for all the students to attend, and parents are requested to pick them up at Western that evening. If parents are not able to attend, we would be glad to arrange transportation home for any student. All parents are invited to come to Western at 5:30pm for a free meal, displays, and tours. If you have any questions, please contact the office at Western Christian at [712-439-1013](tel:712-439-1013).

Monday, April 9: Cornerstone Prison Church Council, Board and Congregation would like to invite you to their 12th Annual Benefit banquet at 6:30pm at Trinity Christian Reformed Church in Rock Valley, IA. Enjoy an evening of praise to God for his work inside the South Dakota State Penitentiary. Doors open at 6pm. Please RSVP by April 2 to 712-476-5292 or at www.cornerstonepcsd.org. A free will offering will be taken.

Thursday, April 12: Save the Date! All women and girls are invited to *Night to Shine & Sparkle* at Trinity CRC in Rock Valley with doors opening at 5:00pm with multiple vendors to shop from and a light meal will be served. The event speaker, Image Truth, will share a message of hope, truth and beautiful freedom to girls and women and their closets. Tickets will go on sale on March 10 for \$15 each and can be purchased by emailing shinesparkle2018@gmail.com or calling/texting [712.449.8150](tel:712.449.8150).

Saturday, April 14: SAVE the DATE for Sioux Center Christian School's 4th Annual Trail'Raiser Night! Gourmet Cupcakes, Sub Sandwiches (perfect for busy field work season and spring sports!), Truth T-shirts, Freewill supper, Silent Auction and Buy-it-Now tables, plus a Live Auction starting at 6:30pm. More information plus a full schedule will be coming out over the next couple weeks. If you would like to donate to the auction, please contact Amy Vander Berg (712-722-0777 x3, avanderberg@siouxcenterchristian.com) or drop off your donation at school. We appreciate your support of our school and your help in clearing the remaining debt on our building expansion!

Monday, May 14: Attention golfers: It's not too late! Register today for the 2018 *GEMS Open* on Monday, May 14 at Railside Golf Club in Byron Center, Michigan. Or golf at a distance for a discounted rate! You still have time to sign up as a foursome, an individual, or a corporate or individual sponsor. Contact the GEMS Global Office at (616) 241-5616 ext. 2 for information or www.gemsgc.org.

Requested Announcements

Sioux Center Christian School has an opening for a full-time Resource Teacher for grades 5-8. For more information and application materials, please visit our website at www.siouxcenterchristian.com or contact Mr. Josh Bowar at jbowar@siouxcenterchristian.com.