## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET November 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 712-722-0717.

**Sunday, November 18:** This is the last day to drop off shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child gifts at New Life Reformed Church in Sioux Center (NW entrance) between 10:00am and 4:00pm. For materials or more information, contact Loralie Wiese, 712-441-2371, or go to samaritanspurse.org/occ.

**Monday, November 19:** Everyone is invited to attend Sioux Center Christian School's  $5^{th} - 8^{th}$  grade Choral Concert at 7pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium.

## **Advance Announcements**

**Monday, November 26:** The council of Covenant CRC invites you to attend the Installation Service for Rev. Joel Kok at 7:00pm at Covenant CRC. Rev. Kok comes to us from Toronto, ON, where he has pastored the Willowdale CRC for nine years. Joel has served as a youth pastor in Grand Haven, MI, and has pastored churches in Ames, IA, and in Broomall, PA. In addition to his M.Div. from Calvin Seminary, Joel holds a Ph.D. in history of Christianity from Duke University in NC. He and his wife, Tricia (Timmer), have three grown children. Tricia will be joining the library staff at Dordt College.

**Thursday, November 29:** The Western Christian FFA Chapter will be hosting an appreciation supper for all area ag producers who are invited to come from 5:30-7pm to the cafeteria at Western Christian. FFA members will be grilling burgers and serving all the fixings to go with those burgers. It's the Western Christian FFA way of celebration and thanksgiving for another harvest.

**Thursday, November 29:** Hope Haven International Ministries presents "Rejoice!" featuring Nashville recording artist Jill Miller at 7:00pm at the B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt College. Tickets are \$15 and a limited number of VIP tickets are available for \$25. The VIP Meet & Greet begins at 6pm in the Terrace Room in the Dordt Campus Center. VIP tickets are only sold at Hope Haven. Tickets are on sale at Peoples Bank in Rock Valley, American State Bank in Sioux Center and Iowa State Bank in Orange City. Tickets may also be purchased at the Rock Valley Christian School, Sioux Center Christian School, Orange City Christian School, and at Hope Haven. The Christmas concert will also feature a choir made up of students from Rock Valley Christian, Sioux Center Christian, and Orange City Christian Schools. Proceeds will go towards funding wheelchairs for an upcoming distribution trip to Vietnam in 2019.

**Saturday, December 1:** Don't forget the Unity Christian catered dinner in which you DO need to call or email Unity Christian to make a table reservation! You can reserve a table of eight or we will make tables of eight. This is the catered dinner that replaces the Hostess Supper fundraiser. A donation will be received at each table. The dessert auction has been cancelled, but there will be dessert included with your catered dinner. Appetizers begin at 5:20, dinner will be served at 5:30. If you purchased Selah concert tickets, that performance begins at 7pm in the Knight Center. Go to the Unity website to order your concert tickets. It will be a wonderful night of celebration!

**Thursday, December 6:** There will be a Smokin' Hot Fundraiser to help defray expenses for John Van Engen's cancer treatments from 11am - 6:30pm at Faith CRC (use south kitchen door) in Sioux Center. John will be smoking "grab 'n go" pork loin sandwiches. You can preorder your sandwiches, half or whole loins by calling or texting 712-389-2432. All preorders will be guaranteed.