COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET November 25, 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.

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.

Tuesday, November 27: Sioux Center Christian School's Moms in Prayer group will meet at First CRC at 9:00-10:00am in the Council Room. Childcare is provided. Contact Mel Klein (712-541-8694) with questions.

Tuesday, November 27: The Grandmother's Moms in Prayer group will be meeting in Room 3 at First CRC at 10am. New women are always welcome.

Tuesday, November 27: The College and Career Moms in Prayer group will be meeting in Room 3 of Frist CRC at noon. New women are always welcome.

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: Have you made reservations for the catered supper at Unity Christian High School? It's this coming Saturday night, beginning with appetizers at 5:20pm. Don't miss this opportunity to support Unity Christian. Please make reservations by email to Unity or calling 712-737-4114 by 5pm on Tuesday, November 27.

Saturday, December 1: ETM (Early Teen Ministries) will have their Christmas Party at the All Seasons Center at 7pm. Come for pizza and then go ice skating. You will need money to ice skate (\$4-entrance fee and \$3-skate rental). Open skate until 9pm and then parents need to pick up students.

Advance Announcements

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.

Friday, December 7: The Dordt College Campus-Community Band, Chamber Orchestra, and Concert Band will present a concert at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. This concert of praise and celebration will feature a variety of musical selections, including Philip Sparke's *Mary's Boy Child*, *Riu, Riu, Chiu* arranged by Marshall Fine from the guilt of sin), and *Of Sailors and Whales: Five Scenes from Melville* with Dordt English Professor Mary Dengler as narrator.

Saturday, December 8: The Dordt College Agriculture Department would like to invite the community to an open house from 9-11am at the new Dordt Agriculture Stewardship Center on Highway 75. Take a tour of the building and learn more about the new facility, meet Dordt agriculture students, and have an opportunity to win door prizes.

Saturday, December 8: The Northwest Iowa Symphony Youth Orchestra, led by conductor Dr. Angela Holt, will present its Fall Concert at 3:00pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium on the campus of Dordt College. Consisting of talented middle school and high school string players, NISYO will perform works by Dvorak, Bohm, Plante and Stamitz as well as string arrangements from the PBS Series "The Civil War" and a traditional Christmas carol. The concert is free and open to the public.

Monday, December 10: The Western Christian High School Music Department invites all to celebrate Christmas by attending the Western Christian High School Choral and Instrumental Christmas Concert at 7:00pm at Western's Event Center. All the choral and instrumental groups at Western Christian will be performing and celebrating in music the birth of our Lord and Savior.

Requested Announcements

SCCS is looking for a part-time Adult Custodian to work 2-2 ½ hours per day, five days week. Hours are flexible, but we prefer the person to work between the hours of either 3:15-5:45 pm or 5-7:30am. Duties will include sweeping classrooms and hallways, vacuuming, and restroom and window cleaning. Must be able to work unsupervised. Contact Eileen Buiter (ebuiter@siouxcenterchristian.com) for more information. If interested, please complete the Staff Application, located at https://www.siouxcenterchristian.com/glance/employment.cfm, and submit to Josh Bowar (jbowar@siouxcenterchristian.com). A review of applicants will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

Tuition Assistance Opportunity - Hull Christian School is \$41,000 short of its NICSTO (Northwest Iowa Christian Schools Tuition Organization) goal. The money needs to be raised by December 7. This gift helps families with tuition assistance. In exchange for your donation, you will receive a 65% tax credit on your Iowa income tax (C Corporations, S Corporations, LLC and Partnerships are also eligible for STO tax credits). If you are interested in donating to this fund, please contact Randy Ten Pas (712-439-2273) at Hull Christian.

JUSTICE FOR ALL is planning the 2019 Service and Learning Opportunities and would love to have you join one of the teams! These weeks are wonderful opportunities to serve others but also to experience and understand God's kingdom in new and important ways! Dates and places are: Harvest Hands Ministries, Juarez, MX – January 18-26 (must have passport); JVMPerkins Foundation, Jackson MS – February 9-16; Voice of Calvary Ministries, Jackson, MS - February 17-23; Grace Reigns, Colorado City UT – March 16-23. For more information, please call Luke Grooters at JFA 712-476-2804 or email lukeg@jfa-nwiowa.org. You can also check out the JFA website: www.ifa-nwiowa.org.