

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET
January 13, 2019

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, January 14 – Wednesday, January 23: You are invited to the Calvin College January Series which continues weekdays in January at Covenant CRC in Sioux Center. Each lecture will be shown via live feed from 11:30am -12:30pm and will cover various topics. For more information on speakers/topics, visit the January Series website at www.calvin.edu/january. This series is free and open to the public.

Tuesday, January 15: Sioux Center Christian School's Moms in Prayer group will meet from 9:00-10:00am in the Council Room of First CRC. Childcare is provided. Contact Mel Klein (712-541-8694) with questions.

Tuesday, January 15: The Grandmother's Moms in Prayer group will meet from 10:00-11:00am in Room 3 of First CRC. All grandmothers and great-grandmothers are invited to come.

Tuesday, January 15: The College and Career Moms in Prayer group will meet from noon – 1:00pm in Room 3 of First CRC. Moms and grandmothers are invited to join us in praying for our college age and adult children.

Tuesday, January 15: Bring a friend! All are invited to sing with the Sioux County Oratorio Chorus as we return to perennial favorite, Handel's *Messiah*, for our upcoming season! Weekly rehearsals begin Tuesday, January 15, 7:30-9:30pm in Dordt College's choral rehearsal room, and the performance with orchestra, Dordt and NWC choirs, and professional soloists will be in the B.J. Haan Auditorium on Saturday, April 27. For more information, find us on Facebook or email Mike Ochsner at mkchsnr@gmail.com.

Friday, January 18: The sophomore class of Unity Christian High School will hold their annual soup/sandwich/dessert supper in the cafeteria, serving from 5:00-7:30pm with a free-will donation.

Friday, January 18: The Dordt College Concert Choir invites you to a concert at 7:30pm at the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The concert is part of a winter music tour with performances in Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, and Iowa. Directed by Mr. Ryan Smit, the ensemble will perform a wide variety of choral music, including hymn arrangements, gospel, classics from Mozart and Brahms, multi-cultural songs from around the globe, and profound works from exciting new composers. The concert is free, with a freewill offering received to help defray tour expenses.

Saturday, January 19: The Unity Christian Catered Fundraiser Dinner is rescheduled for January 19 prior to the Selah concert. If you made reservations prior to the postponement, PLEASE CONFIRM with the UCHS office that you are still planning to attend. We would love more friends to come! Call the office to reserve a table of eight or we will make tables of eight. This will be a catered meal by Triple Box that replaces the Hostess Supper fundraiser. Free-will donation. Appetizers begin at 5:20pm, dinner at 5:30pm.

Saturday, January 19: The Selah Concert at Unity Christian is also rescheduled for January 19 at 7:00pm (postponed from the snowstorm). If you purchased tickets prior to the concert being postponed, your tickets are still valid and you don't need to do anything else. If you want to purchase tickets, go to the link here: <https://www.itickets.com/events/402864.html>.

Advance Announcements

Friday, January 25: Homecoming 2019 will begin at Unity Christian High School with Unity alumnus from the class of 2009, Nathan Nieuwendorp, speaking at chapel at 1:30pm. The Homecoming court will be presented after the speaker. Evening activities, beginning at 6:00pm, will include basketball games, presentation of Homecoming royalty, and dance team performances. All alumni and friends of UCHS are invited to the afternoon and evening activities.

Saturday, January 26: The Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra will present its popular WINTER POPS CONCERT *Piano Dreamer* at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt College. Composer, pianist, and conductor Jan Mulder will be joining the orchestra as guest artist for the evening. NISO's Celebrity Conductor Contest will be held in conjunction with this concert. Advance tickets are available at Evie's Hallmark in Sioux Center. Tickets are also available at the door the night of the concert. For more information, contact the NISO office at 712-722-6230 or niso@dordt.edu.

Friday, February 1 & Saturday, February 2: Sioux Center Christian School 7th & 8th graders are excited to present *Mary Poppins JR.*, a musical based on the classic P.L. Travers stories and the Walt Disney film, at 7pm in the Te Paske Theatre. Join the Banks family as they encounter adventure after fun-filled adventure with their curious new nanny, Mary Poppins. This musical includes favorite songs such as "A Spoonful of Sugar," "Feed the Birds," and "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious." No tickets are required. A freewill offering will be received for the SCCS Drama department.

Monday, February 4: Dordt College's Andreas Center will host song and modern-day hymn writer Sandra McCracken as part of our First Mondays Speaker Series. The events are 11am in the B.J. Haan Auditorium as she speaks on "A Song Writer's Journey through the Psalms" and an 8pm concert "Singing the Songs of Lament." Both events are free and open to the public ([Free concert tickets via Eventbrite](#)). Check for more information at [Andreas Center Facebook Page](#).

Saturday, February 9: Love INC of Sioux County is proud to present "Love and Laugh" at Trinity Christian Reformed Church in Rock Valley. The doors for this dinner theater style event will open at 5pm to be followed by a catered meal at 5:30pm and an improvisational comedy show by Slap Happy Comedy at 7. The Slap Happy Comedy team, a Christian two-man duo, brings a clean, high energy, hilarious, interactive comedy experience that will involve the entire audience and guarantees fun for the entire family. Tickets are \$30 each and are an ideal Valentine's Day gift. You may also reserve a table of eight by calling the Love INC office at 712-476-5990.

Requested Announcements

The Sioux Center Christian School Board of Trustees is seeking nominations to fill two open board of trustee positions to replace two retiring members. Please submit names of society members who you feel would be a good fit by filling out a paper form (copies are available at the school office) and mailing it to school or dropping it off by Friday, January 18, 2019. You can also electronically submit your nomination by going to <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc-x01T2hRzEIXgm8L5XM9wujfh0q9DdQR38NZwvxToZ9iUQ/viewform>. We encourage you to speak with the person you are nominating prior to submitting their name. A current trustee will be contacting them to determine their willingness to serve and to answer any questions. Thanks for your help with this very important process!

Love INC. is continuing to develop its Love & Learn classes which will be starting again on January 22, 2019! We will be offering four classes: Parenting (a faith-based curriculum that centers on healthy parenting skills), Grief Share (help and encouragement after the death of a loved one), Faith & Finances (practical budgeting and money management with optional mentorship), and Affirming Potential (personal evaluation of physical, emotional, relational and spiritual areas of life while setting goals to live out God-given potential). If you or someone you know could benefit from these classes, please call the Love INC office at 712-476-5990 for more information or to register.

Volunteers needed for Love INC. classes: If you have a heart for helping others, we have many opportunities for you to use your gifts and talents. Some of the opportunities to serve include child care, small group discussion leaders, financial mentors, prayer partners and so much more! Please call the Love INC office (712-476-5990) to find out more about ways to serve your neighbors right here in our community!