

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET

September 1, 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, September 2: The First CRC Youth Group Pancake Breakfast will be held from 7:30-9:30am at their church building (321 2nd St SE) this year. All proceeds will go towards their 2020 mission trip.

Monday, September 2: Dordt University's First Mondays Speaker Series presents Dr. Russell Moore, President of the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission of the SBC at 11am in the B.J. Haan Auditorium for his presentation, "Engaging the Culture without Losing the Gospel" and at 5:30pm in the Campus Center (De Yager) for a family-friendly picnic supper and talk: "Adopted for Life." Both events are free, but registration is required for the evening session. For more information, and to register, visit <https://adoptedforlife.eventbrite.com>. For questions contact Emily Rowe at emily.rowe@dordt.edu or 722-6434. www.theandreascenter.org

Tuesday, September 3: Sioux Center Christian School's Moms in Prayer group will meet at First Christian Reformed Church from 9-10am in the Council Room. Childcare is provided. Contact Mel Klein (712-541-8694) with questions.

Tuesday, September 3: The NAMI (National Alliance on Menal Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9p.m. Individuals and family members living with mental illness are welcome. For information, call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

Wednesday, September 4: You are invited to a monthly community prayer meeting with a global focus from 7:30-8:30pm at Trinity Reformed Church in Orange City (201 St. Paul Ave SE). The global focus is yet to be determined. The local focus will be: 'Whispers of Love, Hope, and Joy', a new ministry for marginalized women. Future gatherings will be on the 1st Wednesday of each month and will be hosted and led by members of various local churches. There is a different global and local focus at each meeting. Come and check it out!

Thursday, September 5: Please join Justice For All as they gear up for their Annual Fall Auction and Picnic which will take place at the JFA Ministry Center with supper beginning at 5:30pm and the live Auction at 6:30pm. We are starting to collect items for the auction and if you would like to donate an item, please contact Joel De Wit at JFA (712-476-2804 or joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org). This is one of JFA's most important fund raising events so we hope that you will come and support the ministry of JFA as we 'share and care in Christ's name'!

Friday, September 6 & Saturday, September 7: Auditions for membership in the Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra (NISO) will be held on Friday, September 6 (Winds & Percussion) and Saturday, September 7 (Strings). Anyone wishing to play in the orchestra for the first time must audition, and all student members need to re-audition each year. For more information or to schedule an audition, contact the NISO office at niso@dordt.edu or 712-722-6230.

Saturday, September 7: Auditions for membership in the Northwest Iowa Symphony Youth Orchestra will be held in the morning. Now beginning its 13th season, NISYO is seeking string players from middle school through high school to join all sections of the orchestra. For information or to schedule an audition, contact the NISO office at niso@dordt.edu.

Advance Announcements

Monday & Tuesday, September 9 & 10: Join Bible League Volunteers for their "His Plan...Our Purpose" dinner event on September 9 with Bible League Representatives, and conference on September 10 with guest speaker and author, Kendra Broekhuis. Location: First Reformed Church in Sioux Center, IA. Tickets are available online at bibleleague.org/tickets through September 3.

Tuesday, September 10: A Grandmother's Moms in Prayer group will begin meeting for the school year from 10-11am in Room 3 of First Christian Reformed Church. All grandmothers and great-grandmothers are invited to come and pray together for our grandchildren from infancy to young adult and also their schools. For more information, contact Rachel Raih (722-3381).

Tuesday, September 10: Are you a mother of college age to adult children? Come and join moms from a variety of churches as we pray for colleges and our young adult children in a Moms in Prayer College/Career group. We meet every Tuesday from noon-1pm in Room 3 of First CRC. For more information, contact Rachel Raih (722-3381).

Friday, September 13: Dordt University music faculty members Ryan Smit (tenor) and Pamela De Haan (pianist) will collaborate to present Franz Schubert's monumental song cycle *Die Schöne Müllerin* ("The Maid of the Mill"), one of the crowning achievements of a Romantic composer known for his mastery of the German art song or *lieder*. The work features 20 songs that together tell the story of a wandering journeyman who finds employ at a forest mill and falls in love with the miller's daughter. The recital is at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium, and admission is free.

Saturday, September 14: You are invited to the Luke Society central office in Sioux Falls, SD (3409 S. Gateway Blvd.), for an evening of celebration from 6:30 to 8:30pm, to recognize the retirement of regional coordinator Dr. Apolos Landa after 30 years in ministry. The informal event is come and go as you please with light refreshments served. This is also a unique opportunity to meet the four other Luke Society regional coordinators and to learn more about the ministry from the staff and board of directors.

Requested Announcements

Nursery and Story Hour volunteers are needed for the morning Coffee Break Bible Study held on Wednesdays at Covenant CRC. Call or text Maria Muilenburg (712-441-4793; hmaslm@premieronline.net) if you can help.