COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET September 29, 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.

Sunday, September 29: All are invited to the annual Dordt University English Faculty Reading (of original poetry, fiction, non-fiction) at 7:30pm in Science Building 1606. Light refreshments will be provided.

Tuesday, October 1: Sioux Center Christian School's Moms in Prayer group will meet at First CRC from 9-10am in the Council Room. Childcare is provided. Contact Mel Klein (712-541-8694) with questions.

Tuesday, October 1: All grandmothers and great-grandmothers are invited to pray together for our grandchildren from 10-11am in Room 3 of First CRC.

Tuesday, October 1: The College and Career Moms in Prayer group will be meeting this week from noon-1pm in Room 3 at First CRC. New women are always welcome!

Tuesday, October 1: Join us from noon to 5pm for "The Art of Christian Leadership: Faithful Influence in a Secular Age" conference to be held at Northwestern's campus in Orange City for any community leaders, church staff, volunteer leaders, worship leaders, and pastors, who long to deepen their kingdom impact in contexts that are increasingly secularized and polarized. Registration is \$45 (includes lunch). To register or for more information, go to: <u>https://www.nwciowa.edu/events/Christian-leadership-conference</u>.

Tuesday, October 1: The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9pm. Individuals and family members living with mental illness are welcome. For information, call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

Wednesday, October 2: The annual Bethel CRC Harvest Sale/Bake Sale will be held at the SCCS gym. Pizza Ranch pizza, chicken & potatoes will be served from 5-7pm, along with homemade pies & ice cream. Auction begins at 6:30pm. Come join us for an evening of fun and fellowship. All proceeds go to the Bethel Christian Education Fund.

Wednesday, October 2: You are invited to a Southeast Asian meal at First Christian Reformed Church in Sioux Center. This meal will be provided by Siouxland Unity Christian Reformed Church, a Laos community located in Sioux City, Iowa, as a fundraiser to help support the financial needs of their church community. Suggested donation is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Food will be served from 5:00 - 6:30pm, or until the food runs out!

Wednesday, October 2: You are invited to a monthly community prayer meeting with a global focus from 7:30-8:30pm at Common Place Church in Rock Valley (1129 Main St.), Iowa. The global focus will be three countries in SE Asia. The local focus will be Habitat for Humanity. 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, October 3: The Faith CRC Annual Fall Supper and Auction will be at the SCCS gym. Pizza Ranch buffet will be served from 5-6:30pm with freewill donation for the meal. The auction begins at 6pm. Proceeds go toward Faith's Christian Education fund.

Advance Announcements

Monday, October 7: Dordt University's First Mondays Speaker Series presents Karen Swallow Prior, author and award-winning Professor of English out of Liberty University at 11am in the B.J. Haan Auditorium for her presentation, "A Noiseless Patient Spider: Reading in the Age of Twitter, Instagram, and Snapchat" and at 7:30pm in the Science Building Room 1606 for a short lecture and Q&A titled "A Bee in St. James' Library: Lessons from Jonathan Swift on How to Read Widely, Write Well, and Rule Twitter." Both events are free and open to the public. Find more info at <u>www.theandreascenter.org</u>. Contact Emily Rowe at emily.rowe@dordt.edu or by calling 722-6434 with any questions.

Monday, October 7: Habitat for Humanity Pizza Ranch Impact Night: Call up your friends and plan to eat together at the Orange City Pizza Ranch from 5-8pm. It's a Community Impact Event to benefit Siouxland Habitat for Humanity and our mission to put God's love into action by building homes, communities and hope. Plan on taking home a few extra goodies from the bake sale as well!

Tuesday, October 8 & Wednesday, October 9: How do you want to be remembered? Many people work towards advancing the Kingdom of God and Barnabas Foundation helps you achieve that goal. James Prichard, a Christian attorney from Barnabas Foundation, will help you develop the best possible plan to meet your family's needs and to ensure the ministries closest to your heart will be cared for as well. Jim will be meeting with families in our area on October 8 & 9. Call Ann Zacek at Barnabas Foundation toll-free at 888.448.3040 (Ext. 121) to get more details and to schedule your complimentary appointment.

Friday, October 11 & Saturday, October 12: Dordt University hosts its Defender Days celebration with a wide range of events, including the 4th Avenue Jazz Concert at 3pm on Friday, the Fall Music Festival with Campus-Community Band, Chamber Orchestra, Wind Symphony, Bella Voce, Chorale, and Concert Choir at 7pm on Friday, and a hymn festival on Saturday at 10:30am presented by Dordt Alumni, beginning with an extended prelude by Chris Teeuwsen (Redeemer University, Ontario) and a hymn sing directed by Martin Tel (Princeton Theological Seminary) and Carrie Groenewold (Dordt University Organist). Go to <u>www.dordt.edu</u> for more Defender Days weekend highlights.

Requested Announcements

Unity Christian High School is seeking a full time high school choral instructor for the 1920-21 school year. Our ideal applicant is a committed follower of Jesus Christ, passionate about leading high school students to sing and perform at their highest potential. The job requires a commitment to being available to teach/direct up to 3 out of 8 periods a day, and to lead individuals and small groups to compete in music competitions outside of school. An applicant needs to have a secondary education degree with a music endorsement. State of Iowa licensure is something that needs to be worked towards prior to or upon being hired. An application can be found at: https://www.unitychristian.net/employment.

Western Christian Calendar Correction: Please note that Western Christian's Fall Music Concert will be on <u>Thursday, October 17</u>, not October 10.