

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET

January 19, 2020

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 20 – Tuesday, January 28: The award-winning *January Series* of Calvin University is coming to Sioux Center. From January 8 through January 28, 2020, Covenant Christian Reformed Church will broadcast one of the nation's leading lecture and cultural arts series from 11:30am-12:30pm each weekday. The 15 speakers will offer informed perspectives on a wide range of today's most relevant topics including poverty and hunger, the global water crisis, immigration, mass incarceration, religious freedom, and big data's inequality and threat to democracy. The lectures are free and open to the public. For a full list of speakers and topics, visit <https://calvin.edu/january-series/2020-speakers/>.

Tuesday, January 21: Sioux Center Christian School's Mom's 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, January 21: The Grandmother's Moms in Prayer group will meet from 10-11am in Room 3 of First CRC. All grandmothers and great-grandmothers are invited to come.

Tuesday, January 21: The College and Career Moms in Prayer group will meet from noon – 1pm 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 21: Love INC Love & Learn winter classes will begin with four classes offered to the Sioux County community at large: Parenting, Grief Share, Faith & Finances (practical money management skills with optional mentorship), and Affirming Potential (personal evaluation of physical, emotional, relational and spiritual areas of life). A fifth class, Redemptive Compassion, will be specifically offered to church members, leaders and anyone interested in exploring how we can offer help that ultimately brings freedom rather than enables people to remain in a constant state of need. We'll explore together what it means to offer charity compassion hand in hand with developmental compassion.

Friday, January 24: The Dordt University Music Department will present a Faculty Recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The recital will feature music by or in the style of Beethoven in honor of his 250th birthday. Performances will include compositions for marimba, flute, piano, and more. The recital is free and open to the public.

Friday, January 24: Homecoming 2020 will be held at Unity Christian High School. Sarah (Kaemingk) Jensema, alumnus from the class of 2010, will speak at the chapel at 1:00pm. The Homecoming court will be presented after the speaker, following by a student talent show. Evening activities, beginning at 3:45pm, will include four basketball games, presentation of Homecoming royalty, and dance team performances. All alumni and friends of UCHS are invited to the afternoon and evening activities. New activities and decades dress will be highlighted for our alumni – come join us!

Advance Announcements

Thursday, January 30: Join us for the annual Reach Out event sponsored by Unity Christian and MOC/Floyd Valley. Unity Christian is hosting the event this year. Basketball games between MOC-FV and Unity begin at 3:45pm (girls & boys JV games, girls & boys varsity games). A silent auction will run from 3:45 through halftime of the boys varsity game. Pre-orders of Reach Out t-shirts is closed, but extras will be available on a first come first serve basis. All proceeds from this community event will benefit local families with high medical costs.

Monday, February 3: Dordt University's *First Mondays Speaker Series* welcomes Jenn Yang, Senior Vice President of Advocacy and Policy at World Relief. Please join us at 11am in the B.J. Haan Auditorium for her presentation, "Immigrants and Refugees: More Than Politics." This event is free and open to the public. Find more info at www.theandreascenter.org. Contact Emily Rowe at emily.rowe@dordt.edu or by calling 722-6434 with any questions.

Requested Announcements

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, kitchen hospitality and more! Please call the Love INC office (712-476-5990) to find out more about ways to serve right here in our community!