

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET

February 2, 2020

**Please turn in announcements by 10:30 on Wednesday mornings to the office of the First Christian Reformed Church: [office@firstcrc.com](mailto:office@firstcrc.com) or 712-722-0717.**

**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](http://www.theandreascenter.org). Contact Emily Rowe at [emily.rowe@dordt.edu](mailto:emily.rowe@dordt.edu) or by calling 722-6434.

**Tuesday, February 4:** 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, February 4:** 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, February 4:** 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, February 4:** 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. Bipolar Disorder will be discussed. Individuals and family members living with mental illness are welcome. For information, call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

**Wednesday, February 5:** 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 focus is to be determined. Future gatherings will be on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month and will be hosted and led by members of various local churches. We now have a Facebook group for people to stay informed of prayer meeting locations. You can find it by searching: "Sioux County community global prayer meetings." JOIN the group!

**Friday, February 7:** Come to a one day workshop, "Culturally-Responsive Practice," of engaging, building richer, more authentic relationships with people from our Latino community, at Northwestern College in Orange City, IA, from 9am-4pm. Register by February 3 at [www.nwciowa.edu/journey](http://www.nwciowa.edu/journey).

**Friday, February 7:** The biennial Dordt University High School Orchestra Festival will be held at 7pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium in a performance featuring over 75 string players. In addition to the Dordt Chamber Orchestra, the Unity Christian and Western Christian High School orchestras are participating in the festival. Each school orchestra will first perform an individual selection and then combine for three mass orchestra pieces. Conducted by Mrs. Susan De Jong: Anger's *Creaking Tree*, and Leyden's *Serenade for String Orchestra*, and under the guest direction of Dr. Onsbey Rose: Telemann's *Allegro (From "Sonata No. 1")*. The concert is free and open to the public.

**Saturday, February 8:** Duo Nouveau will perform a recital at Dordt University at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The piano duo features Tammy Miller and Dr. Bryan Stanley. Miller is an artist-faculty at the Omaha Conservatory of Music and has appeared in concert with orchestras across the country. Stanley is an accomplished pianist-composer and performs across the country as part of the Atlantic Piano Duo. The recital is free and open to the public.

### Advance Announcements

**Tuesday, February 11:** Come and learn how to create a pattern of inclusion in your community or ministry by attending Northwestern College's INVOLVE Conference (Fully Embracing All Intellectual Abilities) for a half day or over lunch. For more details, register by February 10 at [www.nwciowa.edu/involve](http://www.nwciowa.edu/involve).

**Saturday, February 15:** Dordt University student Anna Blauw, harp, will present a senior recital at 3:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The performance will feature a variety of styles of music, from Baroque to new compositions. Highlights include a world premiere of a piece by Dordt University composition instructor Dr. Daniel Baldwin, and a collaboration with Dordt University string players Brianna Miedema (violin), Janna Vanden Brink (violin), Adri Tilstra (viola), and Daniel Munson (cello). Blauw will also be joined by Dordt University music faculty member Dr. Carrie Groenewold on organ. The recital is free and open to the public.

**Thursday, February 27:** Join us to celebrate God's faithfulness at ATLAS of Sioux Center for the last 20 years. RSVP to [atlas@mtcnet.net](mailto:atlas@mtcnet.net) or call 712-722-4900 for this free event to hear ATLAS testimonies, history, a chance to partner along in a variety of ways, and a meal.

**Thursday, March 26:** Come out for a "Tonight Show" themed event with the Justice for All Foundation at the Parkview Events Center in Rock Valley, IA with a social time at 5:15pm and dinner at 6pm. Entertainment with the familiarity to the likes of Johnny Carson and David Letterman (Hosted by neither individual mentioned). Hear about JFA, its Foundation, as well as have some laughs (hopefully) with an up and coming 20 under 40 recipient in 2019! To reserve, contact Joel De Wit at 712-476-2804 or [joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org](mailto:joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org).

### Requested Announcements

The Pro Life Pack at Western Christian is selling t-shirts to raise awareness and help to support pro-life in our communities. T-shirts are available online: <https://www.walloffame247.com/western-christian-high-school> or a paper form can be sent to you by emailing: [darren.vanthul@westernchristianhs.com](mailto:darren.vanthul@westernchristianhs.com). \$5 of every t-shirt will be donated to the Alpha Center in Sioux Falls. The deadline to order has been extended until February 7.

Unity Christian High School is seeking to hire several positions for the 20-21 school year: a full time Math Instructor, a full time Science Instructor, and a 35-hr/week Paraprofessional. To learn more about these open positions, please visit our website and contact Wayne Dykstra, Head of School, at 712-737-4114 or by email ([wdykstra@unitychristian.net](mailto:wdykstra@unitychristian.net)).

Justice for All Utah Bus Tour: If you are interested in seeing how partner ministries are showing HIS love and grace to people in FLDS communities in Utah this spring, join JFA for a bus tour. A few seats remain for April 21-28, 2020. Cost of double occupancy is \$950 per person, single is \$1,260 which includes 7 nights lodging, 18 meals, and admission to two national parks. Deadline to sign up is March 1! Contact Joel De Wit with questions or to reserve your spot at 712-476-2804 or [joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org](mailto:joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org).