

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET

March 1, 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.

Tuesday, March 3: 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, March 3: 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, March 3: 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, March 3: The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church from 7 to 9pm. Individuals and family members affected by mental illness are welcome. For information, call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

Tuesday, March 3: The Dordt University Bands will present a concert titled "Shall We Gather at the River" at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan auditorium at Dordt University. The Campus-Community Band and Wind Symphony will perform music by Chance, De Haan, Agapkin, Boyer, Maslanka, Posthuma and more. The central work for this concert is David Maslanka's Symphony No. 9, Movement 1 which is based on the traditional Christian hymn *Shall We Gather at the River*. In addition, the Wind Symphony will perform a work by Dordt alumnus Jonathan Posthuma titled, *My Shepherd will Supply my Need*. A unique aspect of this performance for the Campus-Community Band is their usage of rehearsal techniques championed by the Orpheus Chamber Orchestra. Having used these rehearsal techniques to prepare for this concert, the band will perform Jacob De Haan's *Ammerland* without a conductor, relying only on the non-verbal communication between the musicians.

Wednesday, March 4: A Choral Concert will be held at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt University featuring Bella Voce (women's chorus), Canons of Dordt (men's chorus), and the 80-voice Chorale. The choirs will explore a wide range of repertoire including American gospel, spirituals and folk tunes; songs from other cultures; lighter arrangements of popular music; and a few musical "surprises" that might just inspire a chuckle or two. Come and enjoy the beauty of the human voice lifted up in song and praise!

Wednesday, March 4: You are invited to a monthly community prayer meeting with a global focus from 7:30-8:30pm. The prayer meeting will be led by First Reformed of Sioux Center but will be held at HOME, which is behind Culvers (101 19th St SW). The global focus will be India / Hinduism. The local focus will be Atlas of Sioux Center. Future gatherings will be on the 1st Wednesday of each month and will be hosted and led by members of various local churches. We now have a Facebook group ("Sioux County community global prayer meetings") for people to stay informed of prayer meeting locations. JOIN the group!

Thursday, March 5: Come and visit Unity Christian High School's Science Fair Open House from 6:30-8:00pm in the two Science Rooms (102-103). There will also be several other projects on display that Chemistry students have done this year (video projects and Atomic model "Timelines"). Students have been busy looking at ways science has impacted the world around them!

Advance Announcements

Thursday - Saturday, March 19-21: Unity Christian High School will perform their spring musical, *Little Women*, a familiar classic creatively told by adding some lovely music to the story. To purchase your tickets beginning March 2, visit <http://www.itickets.com/>. (The link is also on the Unity website.) You can call 800-965-9324 for tickets if you do not have access to a computer. Prices are \$10.00 (adults) and \$6.00 (K-12).

Saturday, March 21: The 22nd Annual Bluegrass Gospel Concert featuring two groups, The Anderegg Family and New Legacy, will be held at the B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt University with show times at 2:30pm and 7:00pm. Tickets are \$15. Children ages 15 and under are free. Concert is presented by Ireton Christian School.

Saturday, March 28: Love INC of Sioux County is proud to present their fundraiser, “*Love and Laugh*” at Trinity Christian Reformed Church in Rock Valley, for this dinner theater style event which will open at 5pm, to be followed by a catered meal at 5:30pm and an improvisational comedy show by *Slap Happy Comedy* at 7pm. 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 to this event can be purchased for \$30 a piece or you may reserve a complete table of 8 by calling Love INC at 712-476-5990.

Tuesday, March 31: Supporters of Bethany Christian Services are encouraged to come celebrate their 45th Anniversary Banquet at the Terrace View Event Center in Sioux Center. A social hour with coffee/punch at 6pm will be followed by a complimentary meal served at 6:30pm. RSVP for the meal by March 20 to 712-737-4831 or email tschreier@bethany.org. Family changes everything; come join in efforts to give every child a loving home!

Monday, April 6: Cornerstone Prison Church Council, Board and Congregation would like to invite you to the 14th Annual Benefit Banquet at Trinity Christian Reformed Church, Rock Valley, IA at 6:30pm. Enjoy an evening of fun, food and fellowship as we enjoy music by Cornerstone Quartet from Leota, MN and hear how the Holy Spirit is working in hearts and lives of inmates in the South Dakota State Penitentiary!

July 20-23: Rocky Railway VBS is coming to Bethel CRC July 20-23! Mark your calendars and join us as we learn about Jesus' power in our lives! Opportunities to sign up to volunteer and attend will be coming out later.

Requested Announcements

Do you know a child who is ready to start school this fall? It is Round Up time at Sioux Center Christian School and we are excited to share how your child will be enfolded as they learn and live God's Story at our school! Please go to siouxcenterchristian.com/admissions for more information. Our Parent Information meetings are on Thursday, March 6 and Round Up is March 26 & 27. Please call or email our office if you have any questions. 712-722-0777; sccsoffice@siouxcenterchristian.com.

Sioux Center Christian School PACE Salt Sales: It's time to order your softener salt! This fundraiser has been a HUGE success for the past several years! Order forms will be available in many churches, the SCCS TRIP office, or talk to any SCCS family to place your order from February 24 through March 6. Payments due at the time of the order; cost is \$7 per bag. Bring all orders/payments to the TRIP office by March 6, 2020, with salt delivery set for Saturday, April 4, 2020. For questions, contact Tina Folkerts: 712-441-1319 or Emily Kramer: 712-441-7539.

Are you or someone you know in need of a safe, decent and affordable place to live? Siouxland Habitat for Humanity is accepting partner family applications for our homeownership program for a future home in Rock Valley. Application forms are available at the Habitat for Humanity office (1334 Valley Dr., Rock Valley), Rock Valley City Office, and online at <http://siouxlandhabitat.org/our-programs/home-ownership/>. Completed applications are due by March 16. If you have questions, please contact Kurt Franje, [712-476-2804](tel:712-476-2804) or email kfranje@siouxlandhabitat.org.