

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET
August 20, 2017

Please turn in announcements by 10:30 on Wednesday mornings to the office of the First Christian Reformed Church: office@firstcrc.com or 722-0717.

Sunday, August 20: All supporters and parents of Unity Christian High School are invited to join us at 4:00pm for a Prayer Walk covering prayer requests over specific parts of the school and seek God's blessing for this school year. "Arise, cry out in the night, as the watches of the night begin; pour out your heart like water in the presence of the Lord. Lift up your hands to Him for the lives of your children..." Lamentations 2:19. Please come be a part of this before our school year begins. Call Sue Dykstra with questions at 712-360-0650. We will conclude at 5pm with make your own ice cream sundaes!

Monday, August 21: Western Christian High School is holding their semi-annual society meeting at 7:00pm in the event center at Western. All parents and friends of Western Christian are encouraged to attend.

Tuesday, August 22: Freshmen Orientation will be held at Unity Christian High School at 7:00pm. All freshmen and their parents are expected to attend. Students will get their locker assignments, computers, class schedule and other pertinent information. Parents will learn great information about Unity.

Wednesday, August 23: Western Christian High School will begin classes. School will be dismissed at 12:00. Hot lunch will not be served.

Thursday, August 24: The GriefShare Support Group sessions begin on August 24 - November 16, 2017 at 6:45pm at New Life Reformed Church in Sioux Center. For more information, call their church office, 722-3520.

Friday, August 25 & Saturday, August 26: Feekes Adoption: Come support Travis & Jessica Feekes on Friday for a freewill donation supper at Children's Park from 5:30-7:30pm, and on Saturday will be the Beating Hearts 5k run/1 mile walk. Proceeds from the supper and race will go towards adoption costs. To register for the race, go to <http://www.allsportcentral.com/EventInfo.cfm?EventID=59335> or Beating Hearts Facebook page for information.

Friday, August 25: All Nations City Church (a local ministry which organizes worship, picnics, and seminars to celebrate diversity and unity in Jesus), in partnership with LifeLight, is hosting a Multicultural Night at Sertoma Park's Shelter in Sioux Falls from 6-8pm, featuring great multicultural music and a potluck supper of various ethnic foods. All are welcome!

Saturday, August 26: Mr. Bowar and Mrs. Mouw invite you to the SCCS Back-to-School Bash, co-sponsored by PACE and the SCCS Board of Trustees, starting at 4:00pm at school for a time of fun and fellowship as we begin a new school year at Sioux Center Christian School! You don't want to miss it! There will be something for everyone in the family. The entire event is FREE (unless you choose to eat the meal) and open to ALL SCCS supporters and students! See the school website, www.siouxcenterchristian.com, or Facebook page for details.

Advance Announcements

Thursday, August 31: FRIENDSHIP Bible Study, a group of Sioux Center area community believers, begins its 2017-2018 season. The purpose of the Friendship program is to nurture the spiritual growth of people with intellectual disabilities in the context of personal and meaningful relationships. Current members range from teens to retirees. If you are interested in this program, either as a student or mentor, please contact either Dave or Marian Smit, 712-722-1247, or Kathy Schreurs, 712-324-2379, soon for details.

Monday, September 4: The Youth Group of First Christian Reformed Church of Sioux Center invites you to their pancake breakfast at Children's Park from 7:30 - 9:30am. Proceeds will go towards our 2018 Mission Trip.

Thursday, September 7: The NAMI Iowa Family-to-Family Education Program for family members of persons with serious mental illness will be offered at Central Reformed Church from 7 to 9:30pm on Thursday evenings for 11 weeks beginning September 7, 2017. The course is FREE and will be taught by trained family member volunteer leaders, Barb Addink (712 567-4727), Shirley Matheis (722-4462 or nsmath@mtcnet.net), and Lynn Wielenga (722-1828). Please register today.

Friday, September 8 & Saturday, September 9: Auditions for membership in the Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra (NISO) will be held. 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.

Thursday, September 14: What if you knew where all of your money was going each month? What if you were debt-free, investing and making wise spending decisions? With Dave Ramsey's class, Financial Peace University, you CAN take control of your money and start planning for your future. If you're interested in these classes at the Sioux Center Public Library Room A, contact the Center for Financial Education (712-722-3527).

Requested Announcements

You're invited to the Sioux Center Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS)! All mothers, with children, birth to age 5, are welcome to join us for meetings that are held most 2nd and 4th Thursdays, September-May, 9:00-11:00am, at First Reformed Church in Sioux Center, IA. Brunch and childcare are provided. Come fellowship with other moms as we grow in Christ together. Find us on <https://www.facebook.com/groups/siouxcentermops/> or search Facebook for "Sioux Center MOPS."

Do you have a few free mornings a month? Are you looking for a way to serve? Do you enjoy being around children? MOPS needs volunteers for childcare and we would love to have your help. Meetings are held most 2nd and 4th Thursdays, September-May, 9:00-11:00am, at First Reformed Church in Sioux Center, IA. Email Heather at heatherhoogendoorn@gmail.com if you are interested in serving moms as part of this very important ministry.