COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET January 6, 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.

Monday, January 7 – Wednesday, January 23: You are invited to the Calvin College January Series which continues weekdays in January at Covenant CRC in Sioux Center. Each lecture will be shown via live feed from 11:30am -12:30pm and will cover various topics. For more information on speakers/topics, visit the January Series website at www.calvin.edu/january. This series is free and open to the public.

Tuesday, January 8: Sioux Center Christian School's Moms in Prayer group will meet at First CRC at 9:00-10:00am in the Council Room. Childcare is provided. Contact Mel Klein (712-541-8694) with questions.

Tuesday, January 8: The Grandmother's Moms in Prayer group will be meeting in Room 3 at First CRC at 10am. New women are always welcome.

Tuesday, January 8: The College and Career Moms in Prayer group will be meeting in Room 3 of Frist CRC at noon. New women are always welcome.

Tuesday, January 8: The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 - 9pm. Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are welcome. For information, call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

Thursday, January 10: Everyone is invited to a Free "Community Unity Meal" at New Life Reformed Church from 6-7:00pm. Meal host: United Reformed Church.

Thursday, January 10: The NAMI lowa Family-to-Family Education Program for family members of persons with mental illness will be offered at Central Reformed Church from 7 - 9:30pm on Thursday evenings for 11 weeks beginning January 10, 2019. 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.

Advance Announcements

Tuesday, January 15: Bring a friend! All are invited to sing with the Sioux County Oratorio Chorus as we return to perennial favorite, Handel's *Messiah*, for our upcoming season! Weekly rehearsals begin Tuesday, January 15, 7:30-9:30pm in Dordt College's choral rehearsal room, and the performance with orchestra, Dordt and NWC choirs, and professional soloists will be in the B.J. Haan Auditorium on Saturday, April 27. For more information, find us on Facebook or email Mike Ochsner at mkchsnr@qmail.com.

Friday, January 18: The sophomore class of Unity Christian High School will hold their annual soup/sandwich/dessert supper in the cafeteria, serving from 5:00-7:30pm with a free-will donation.

Saturday, January 19: The Unity Christian Catered Fundraiser Dinner is rescheduled for January 19 prior to the Selah concert. If you made reservations prior to the postponement, PLEASE CONFIRM with the UCHS office that you are still planning to attend. We would love more friends to come! Call the office to reserve a table of eight or we will make tables of eight. This will be a catered meal by Triple Box that replaces the Hostess Supper fundraiser. Free-will donation. Appetizers begin at 5:20pm, dinner at 5:30pm.

Saturday, January 19: The Selah Concert at Unity Christian is also rescheduled for January 19 (postponed from the snowstorm). If you purchased tickets prior to the concert being postponed, your tickets are still valid and you don't need to do anything else. If you want to purchase tickets, go to the link here: https://www.itickets.com/events/402864.html.

Requested Announcements

The Sioux Center Christian School Board of Trustees is seeking nominations to fill two open board of trustee positions to replace two retiring members. Please submit names of society members who you feel would be a good fit by filling out a paper form (copies are available at the school office) and mailing it to school or dropping if off by Friday, January 18, 2019. You can also electronically submit your nomination by going to https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSc-

x01T2hRzEIXgm8L5XM9wujfhh0q9DdQR38NZwxvToZ9iUQ/viewform. We encourage you to speak with the person you are nominating prior to submitting their name. A current trustee will be contacting them to determine their willingness to serve and to answer any questions. Thanks for your help with this very important process!

Love INC. is continuing to develop its Love & Learn classes which will be starting again on January 22, 2019! We will be offering four classes: Parenting (a faith-based curriculum that centers on healthy parenting skills), Grief Share (help and encouragement after the death of a loved one), Faith & Finances (practical budgeting and money management with optional mentorship), and Affirming Potential (personal evaluation of physical, emotional, relational and spiritual areas of life while setting goals to live out God-given potential). If you or someone you know could benefit from these classes, please call the Love INC office at 712-476-5990 for more information or to register.

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 and so much more! Please call the Love INC office (712-476-5990) to find out more about ways to serve your neighbors right here in our community!