COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET April 26, 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, April 28: The Grandmother's Moms in Prayer group will pray via phone from 10-11am. Please contact Rachel Raih (722-3381 or <u>ia@momsinprayer.org</u>) for more information.

Tuesday, April 28: The College and Career Moms in Prayer group will pray via phone from noon – 1pm. Please contact Rachel Raih (722-3381 or ia@momsinprayer.org) for more information.

Requested Announcements

<u>From Sioux Center Christian School</u>: Greetings from Sioux Center Christian School! We pray you are doing well and that you are experiencing God's encouragement each day! Please check out our digital April newsletter, where you can see how education is still taking place at SCCS, even though our building is closed. There is also an update on our Trail'Raiser Night fundraiser. We ask you to continue to pray for SCCS and the schools and students across our nation! https://www.siouxcenterchristian.com/April-2020 Bulletin Board.pdf.

Sioux Center Christian School will no longer be holding Trail'Raiser Night, our debt-reduction fundraiser, as an in-person event this spring. We are planning to have an **Online Auction** of the items that were donated before March 16, but do not have dates set for the online auction. We hope to hold it before the beginning of June. If you would like to donate to the auction, please connect with Amy Vander Berg (avanderberg@siouxcenterchristian.com, cell: 712-441-4530). **Truth T-shirt sales will continue online** – most likely through the dates of the online auction. Two designs are available, "I am not my own..." and "Do not be afraid..." Order here: https://stores.mdesignpromos.com/sccs_trailraiser. Most likely, they will be available for pick up in June.

<u>From JFA</u>: Justice For All in Rock Valley is currently closed for donations, but when they are able to safely open again, please remember them with your donations. JFA accepts good used clothing, household items, appliances, furniture, and kitchen items that are in good working order. They will not accept TV's, computers, or items that cannot be reused by others. They continue in their mission of providing opportunities, building relationships, and redistributing resources through caring and sharing in Christ's name.

<u>From the Northwest Iowa Division of Bible League International</u>: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Bible League Salad Luncheon will not take place. This event is one of two of our fund raisers so we hope that you will seriously consider making a contribution. If you wish to make a contribution to Bible League International, you can send a check to Linda Visser at 105 4th Street SW, Orange City, Iowa 51041. Thank you!

<u>THANK YOU</u>: On behalf of the Hope Haven community, I'm reaching out today to express our appreciation for your recent contribution of cloth masks. We had over 1,000 masks donated! During this unique time, we are especially thankful for your thoughtful support. Hope Haven has been deemed "essential", and that is especially true of our direct care staff. The work that they do for the people we serve with disabilities cannot stop for COVID-19. As our routines and services forge on, resources are limited and your cloth masks will be utilized and assist in the conservation of precious protective equipment. Because of you, Hope Haven will encounter obstacles with preparedness, safety, and security. Your contribution takes a special act of faithfulness and generosity, and special individual or family. We see you, and cherish you for opening your heart to us, our employees, and the people we serve. Your gifts are truly a blessing. With gratitude, Mark Siemonsma, Director of Development.