COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET March 7, 2021

Please turn in announcements by 10:30 on Wednesday mornings to the office of the First Christian Reformed Church: <u>office@firstcrc.com</u> or 712-722-0717.

Monday, March 8: The Dordt University Wind Symphony will present their album preview concert titled "Music With Friends" at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium in celebration of the first full-length Dordt University Wind Symphony CD which will be recorded on the Mark Custom Records label. The concert will consist of all selections to be recorded on the new album. Each of the composers represented on the album is a living composer that has a personal connection to Dordt. The recording sessions for this new album will take place March 10-13 in the B.J. Haan Auditorium and the official release of the album will be fall of 2021. Look for the album on all streaming platforms at that time. The concert and recording will contain music by many of the world's currently popular wind band composers, as well as a newly-commissioned work for oboe and wind band by Minnesota composer Katherine Bergman, featuring Dordt Oboe instructor Susan Miranda. Also featured will be a newly-composed work specifically for the DU Wind Symphony by Dordt Director of Instrumental Ensembles, Dr. Onsby C. Rose, Associate Professor of Music and Director of Instrumental Ensembles. Tickets are required to attend in person. A limited number of tickets are available to the public and may be reserved by calling the music office at 712-722-6222. The concert will also be livestreamed at https://vimeo.com/event/572686. Masks are required for those attending and seating groups will be socially distanced. Visit dordt.edu/updates on the event day to see if there are any restrictions or cancellations.

Tuesday, March 9: Sioux Center Christian School's Moms in Prayer group will meet at First CRC from 9:45-10:45am in the Council Room. Contact Mel Klein (712-541-8694) with questions.

Tuesday, March 9: A Grandmother's Moms in Prayer group will meet from 10-11am in the Fireside Room of First CRC to allow for social distancing. All grandmothers and great-grandmothers are invited to come. For more information, contact Rachel Raih at 712-441-0885.

Tuesday, March 9: A College/Career Moms in Prayer group will meet from noon-1pm in the Fireside Room of First CRC to allow for social distancing. Join us in praying for our college-age children and up and for colleges and universities. For more information, contact Rachel Raih at 712-441-0885.

Thursday, March 11: Covenant CRC invites you to join them at 7 PM Thursdays in Lent for Compline--a service of night prayer. The ancient tradition of compline dates back to the 4th century and is used today by Catholic, Anglican, and Lutheran churches as well as others around the world. As believers in the "holy catholic church," we borrow from them this Lent. These half-hour services use liturgies from the *Book of Common Prayer* that include prayers, psalms, silence, and songs and act as a way to gather up the events and cares of our days in prayer.

Advance Announcements

Monday, March 15: Love INC, Sioux County will hold its Annual Meeting at 6:30pm at Trinity CRC (Agape Room) in Rock Valley, IA. Partner churches, volunteers and donors are invited to hear about what God has done in 2020 through Love INC and how God is leading us in 2021. Refreshments will be served.

Wednesday, March 17: Habitat for Humanity Fundraiser Meal - Join us at the Sioux Center Indoor Fair (Dordt Rec Center) from 5-7pm and enjoy an authentic Mexican taco & nacho bar meal prepared by one of our Habitat families! This is a free-will donation meal and will support our mission to share God's love with families in need of safe, decent housing.

Requested Announcements

Unity Christian High School is accepting applications for a potential full time Science position for the 21-22 school year. Please contact Wayne Dykstra at <u>wdykstra@unitychristian.net</u> or at 712-737-4114 for more information.

Softener Salt! Bridge of Hope and Covenant CRC are selling softener salt! Taking orders from February 28-March 14. Order forms are available at the Sioux Center Christian School TRIP office or on the Sioux Center Christian School website. \$7.50 per bag. Delivered to your home on April 10! 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 Hawarden. Application forms are available at the Hawarden City Office, Hawarden Public Library, and online at https://www.siouxlandhabitat.org/own-a-home/application-process.html. Application deadline is March 31. If you have questions, please contact Kevin McCormick, 712-255-6244 ext.6 or email apply@siouxlandhabitat.org.