

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET
October 31, 2021

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.

Sunday, October 31: All singers high school and up are invited to sing in the choir for the joint Reformation Day service to be held at 6:00pm on October 31 at First CRC. Ryan Smit of Dordt University will direct. If you are interested, please plan to attend rehearsal October 31 at 4:45pm at First CRC.

Monday, November 1: First Mondays Speaker Series at Dordt welcomes Andrew Peterson at 11am in the B.J. Haan Auditorium for his presentation about making art in a time of exile. He is the author of the *The Wingfeather Saga* fantasy adventure series for young people, and more recently of *Adorning the Dark: Thoughts on Community, Calling, and the Mystery of Making*. He lives in Nashville with his wife and about 80,000 honey bees. This event is free and open to the public. Find more info at www.dordt.edu/first-mondays-speaker-series.

Monday, November 1: Live Concert: Andrew Peterson, a singer-songwriter, an author, and the founder of the Rabbit Room, a ministry dedicated to fostering spiritual formation and Christ-centered community through story, art, and music, will be performing a Live Concert at 7pm at Dordt's B.J. Haan Auditorium. Tickets available [here](#) or on his website: www.andrew-peterson.com.

Tuesday, November 2: Sioux Center Christian School's Moms in Prayer group will meet at First CRC from 9-10am in the Council Room. Contact Mel Klein (712-541-8694) with questions.

Tuesday, November 2: All grandmothers are invited to pray together for their grandchildren in a Moms in Prayer group from 10 - 11am at First CRC in the upstairs Fireside Room. (Use upper East door.)

Tuesday, November 2: All women are invited to pray together for their college and career age children in a Moms in Prayer group from noon to 1pm at First CRC in the upstairs Fireside Room. (Use upper East door.)

Tuesday, November 2: The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9 pm. Video: Anxiety. Individuals and family members affected by mental illness are welcome. For information, call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

Friday, November 5: Dordt University student Rachel Wordes will present a senior organ recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Louis Vierne's fast and exciting *Carillon No. 21* will open the recital, followed by a more subdued *Passacaglia* by Buxtehude. The recital will also feature a Bach *Praeludium* and will conclude with all four movements of Boëllmann's *Suite Gothique*, ending with the iconic "Toccata." All are welcome to a reception following the recital.

Saturday, November 6: Dordt University student Brianna Miedema will present a senior violin & flute recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Highlights of the recital include Felix Mendelssohn's intense and captivating *Violin Concerto in E Minor* and the fun and playful *Piccolo Moods* by Blaž Pucihar, which has beautiful melodies that can be found throughout its three movements, "Happiness," "Sorrow," and "Joy." All are welcome to a reception following the recital.

Advance Announcements

Friday, November 12: The Dordt University Music Department will present a Small Ensembles Recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The recital will feature a saxophone ensemble, a cello ensemble, a jazz combo, and a vocal sextet accompanied by violin and piano.

Saturday, November 13: Dordt University student Lindsey Ver Meer will present a senior voice & oboe recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Highlights of the recital include a Saint-Saëns Oboe Concerto, "Sì, mi chiamano Mimi" from *La bohème* by Puccini, and Osvaldo Golijov's *Lúa Descolorida*, whose text is based on a poem written in Gallego, a language from the Galicia region of Spain. All are welcome to a reception following the recital.

Tuesday, November 16: Explore Western from 7-8pm. Hear “staff stories” about student services, fine arts programs, student activities, a refreshed vision of the Bible curriculum, and most importantly all the ways that your faith will be developed and strengthened. Check out our new Mission Statement that clearly articulates “who we are” and “what we do.” Our Celebration Video which highlights all the blessings that Western is “giving thanks” and “Celebrating.” This night is targeted for families with children in grades 3-8 but anyone interested in Western is welcome.

Requested Announcements

Sioux Center Christian School invites you to consider the opportunity to work with a dedicated faculty and staff, passionate parents, and fantastic students through the part-time position of K-4th grade art teacher, with a start date of August 1, 2022. The ideal candidate loves God, loves kids, and loves learning. For more details and the faculty application package, go to <https://www.siouxcenterchristian.com/about/employment.cfm>.

Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts may be brought to New Life Reformed in Sioux Center or First Reformed in Rock Rapids November 15-21. Please call 712-441-2371 for hours, materials or more information; www.samaritanspurse.org/occ.

Unity Christian High School is seeking a full time art instructor for the 22-23 school year. We are seeking a teacher who loves the Lord and is passionate about teaching art. The teacher we hire needs to have a K-12 or 5-12 education degree and have or be working towards secondary art certification for the State of Iowa. To learn more about the position contact Wayne Dykstra - Head of School at 712-737-4114 or at wdykstra@unitychristian.net.

The Friendship Bible group would like to welcome a new member with a hearing impairment. This young man can sign, and ideally, his new mentor would also be able to communicate in basic ASL. He does respond well to pointing and also reads lips fairly well. We're praying that someone in the community, with or without the ability to sign, will step forward to make Bible study accessible to him. Contact Marian Smit (712-441-9243) with questions.