COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET December 19, 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, December 19: Pianist Dr. Thomas Van Soelen and cellist Meghan McGuire will perform together at 6:00pm at Covenant CRC in Sioux Center. The concert will feature music from a variety of traditions, including special arrangements of Christmas carols. McGuire and Van Soelen have been partnering in concerts since 2013, mostly in Atlanta, Georgia. McGuire's move to Minneapolis, MN prompted a change in venue and we are excited to host them in Northwest Iowa! The concert is free and open to the public and will feature a freewill offering supporting The Family Crisis Center. It will also be livestreamed on Covenant's Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/Covenant-CRC-520064914738965/

Advance Announcements

Wednesday, January 5: You are invited to the Education Freedom Summit, a collaborative event being planned by Sioux Center Christian School and Western Christian High School to be held at Western Christian High School at 12:00pm. Lunch will be provided. The intent of the Summit is to bring awareness and excitement around the topic of school choice and ESAs and to learn how to better advocate for these opportunities. The Summit will include Lydia Quick and Eric Goranson of the Iowa Association of Christian Schools, Steve Holwerda of EdChoice, Representative Skyler Wheeler, Senator Jeff Taylor, Corey DeAngelis of the American Federation for Children, school leaders, board members, and interested citizens. We have also invited Governor Reynolds. We are still awaiting her RSVP. Now is the time to unite to advance the mission of Christian education. I hope you will join us, and please also invite anyone who you feel would be interested in this opportunity, especially people with a passion for ESAs! Please RSVP by December 22 by emailing brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or by calling/texting 605-359-5704.

Thursday, January 27: Save the date for the Center for Financial Education's annual dinner celebration. You can start calling CFE to reserve your table either as an individual, as couples or have some fun and ask your neighborhood to join you on a table reserve just for you. Call 712-722-3527 or email janna@cfeministries.org.

April 5-11: Justice For All is planning a UTAH BUS TOUR, focusing on our ministry partners Great Commission Utah and Grace Reigns. Join us, learn, and see how God is using these amazing ministries to share His love and grace to those within the FDLS communities in Utah. We will be spending time in Salt Lake City and Hildale, UT/Colorado City, AZ. We will also enjoy some of the amazing beauty of God's creation in UT. If you are interested or want more information, please contact Pat Vander Pol at JFA (patyp@jfa-nwiowa.org – 712-476-2804).

Requested Announcement

Due to various physical circumstances, the NW lowa Bible League board has vacant positions. Will you make this a matter of prayer? If the Lord places the matter on your heart and you are willing to consider filing a vacancy, please contact Esther at 507-350-9670 or dbesther@tcaexpress.net for more information.