COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET September 18, 2022

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.

Friday, September 23: The Dordt University Music Department presents guest artist Barrett Radziun in a vocal recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Tenor Barrett Radziun has performed widely throughout the United States, meriting critical acclaim for his performances in opera, oratorio, art song, and early music. Radziun currently teaches voice and diction at Texas A&M University - Commerce. He holds degrees from the University of North Texas (DMA), Bard College Conservatory of Music (MM), and University of Northwestern – St. Paul (BM). The recital will include songs and arias by Britten, Faure, Schubert, Bolcom, Ives, Dring, and Poulenc.

Advance Announcements

Friday, September 30: The annual Dordt University Honors Recital will take place at 3:00pm, in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Performers in the honors recital have all received named music scholarships made possible by Dordt University donors. All are welcome to a reception honoring the performers in the lobby of the auditorium following the recital.

Saturday, October 1: Dordt University student Emma DeVries will present a senior voice recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Highlights of the recital include sacred pieces by Michael Head such as "Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord" and opera selections "Mon cœur s'ouvre à ta voix" from *Samson et Delila* by Saint-Saëns and the vocal trio "Soave sia il vento" from *Così fan tutte* by Mozart. All are welcome to a reception following the recital.

Monday, October 3: The Andreas Center at Dordt University is pleased to announce the following speakers for our 2022-2023 First Monday Speaker Series. One of the themes we hope to explore this year is how we might, following the words of Wendell Berry, "practice virtue with skill". The community is welcome to attend these free events at 11am in the B.J. Haan Auditorium on Dordt's campus. We look forward to welcoming Stephanie Summers, CEO of *The Center for Public Justice*, on October 3 and hearing her lecture titled: "Loving Your Neighbor Through Politics" and Rev. Dr. Esau McCaulley, an associate professor of New Testament at Wheaton College, on November 7, with his lecture titled: "Is Social Location a Friend or Foe to Biblical Interpretation? The Black Church as a case study".

Requested Announcements

Friendship Class Mentors – Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a mentor for a special needs friend of the Friendship Bible Class at First CRC in Sioux Center at 7pm on Thursday nights? This program is in immediate need of mentors for a woman and three men. Your call (712-722-0717) or email (office@firstcrc.com) to First CRC to help mentor would be greatly appreciated.

Western Christian is selling mums again for FFA. For more information, email <u>FFA@westernchristianhs.com</u> or look for updates on the Western Christian Facebook and Instagram page.