

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET**  
**October 23, 2022**

**Please turn in announcements by 10:30 on Wednesday mornings to the office of the First Christian Reformed Church: [office@firstcrc.com](mailto:office@firstcrc.com) or 712-722-0717.**

**Monday, October 24:** Middle school students and parents, you are invited to join us for our Middle School Open House at Unity Christian High School from 7:00-8:30pm. We will meet in the Knight Center and break out into sectionals to learn more about Unity Christian! We hope to see you there!

**Thursday, October 27:** JUSTICE FOR ALL invites you to join us at the combined Annual Meeting/Fall Auction at the Parkview Events Center of Rock Valley, IA. A MEAL will be served from 5:00-6:30pm. (Freewill gifts will be taken for the meal). At 6:15 there will be a BUSINESS MEETING which will include celebrating JFA ministry from the past year and looking at opportunities ahead, as well as presenting a new budget and new board members. At 6:30pm our FALL AUCTION will begin with Mark Zomer and company. There will also be auction items online from October 13-31 that you can bid on at [zomerbid.com](http://zomerbid.com).

**Friday, October 28:** Zuni Christian Mission School Family Gathering - We invite you, our family of supporters, to join us for dinner at *Trinity CRC - Rock Valley (6:30pm)* to learn more about our work and celebrate God's faithfulness to us! The evening will include dessert & coffee, as well as a presentation from Joy Burmeister who will be traveling from Zuni with messages from staff and students. *Please RSVP by October 20* to Kim De Jong, Ministry Coordinator, Trinity CRC, 712-476-5292 / [kim@trinitycrc.com](mailto:kim@trinitycrc.com). If you are not able to attend but would like to send a gift to help cover the costs of ZCMS education for the 2022-2023 school year, please send a check to the school address or give online. Thank you! P.O. Box 445, Zuni, NM 87327/ [zunichristianmission.org](http://zunichristianmission.org)

Dordt University hosts its Defender Days celebration with a wide range of events, including:

- the **4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Jazz Concert** at 3:00pm on Friday, October 28
- the **Fall Festival: Instrumental Ensembles** featuring Chamber Orchestra, Campus-Community Band, and Wind Symphony at 7:00pm on Friday, October 28
- the **Fall Festival: Choral Ensembles** featuring Bella Voce, Canons of Dordt, Chorale, and Concert Choir at 8:30pm on Friday, October 28
- a **Hymn Festival titled "From Light into Light"** on Saturday, October 29 at 10:30am. The Hymn Festival will be led by the Dordt University organ students, and will feature Bella Voce and a brass quintet. The organ prelude, offered by organ students, will begin at 10:00am.

All events will be in the B.J. Haan Auditorium and will also be available on livestream at [www.dordt.edu/livestream](http://www.dordt.edu/livestream). Go to [www.dordt.edu](http://www.dordt.edu) for more Defender Days weekend highlights.

**Advance Announcements**

**Friday, November 4:** The Annual Katelyn's Fund Auction is coming soon with a meal served at 5:30pm and an auction beginning at 6:30pm at New Life Church, Sioux Center. This is our only fundraiser throughout the year with 100% of the donations going directly to care for the orphan; visit <https://katelynsfund.org/our-events/auction>.

**Monday, November 7:** The Andreas Center at Dordt University is pleased to announce the following speaker for our 2022-2023 First Monday Speaker Series. The community is welcome to attend this free event at 11am in the B.J. Haan Auditorium on Dordt's campus. We look forward to welcoming Rev. Dr. Esau McCaulley, an associate professor of New Testament at Wheaton College, with his lecture titled: "Is Social Location a Friend or Foe to Biblical Interpretation? The Black Church as a case study".

**Requested Announcements**

We invite everyone to "Celebrate Western!"

- The online auction begins Tuesday, October 25 and runs through Monday, November 14. Go to [www.Zomerbid.com](http://www.Zomerbid.com) and search for Western Christian.
- Meat and Freezer meal orders are due Tuesday, November 1. Order forms can be found on our website - [www.westernchristianhs.com](http://www.westernchristianhs.com)
- A community meal, bake sale, and kid's carnival will take place on Friday, November 18, beginning at 5:00pm.

Love In the Name of Christ Sioux County is seeking a part-time (20 hours) Call Center Coordinator. A heart for Christian service is integral to our work. This position requires strong interpersonal skills, discernment, personal boundaries, and attention to detail. Responsibilities include answering phones, coordinating screening of requests, discerning the nature and legitimacy of each need, and connecting people with local churches, volunteers, and resources. Proficient in Microsoft Office. Bilingual people encouraged to apply. Please send resume to: Love INC Sioux County, PO Box 85, Rock Valley, IA 51247. For a complete job description, please contact Debbie at 712-476-5990 or email [director@loveincsiouxcounty.org](mailto:director@loveincsiouxcounty.org).

JUSTICE FOR ALL is very excited to announce dates for upcoming 2023 Service and Learning Trips! Please prayerfully consider joining us on one of these trips. The trips are designed to be an opportunity to use our hands and feet to bless others through work projects, but also to learn and experience a different culture than our own and see what God is doing through the incredible ministry partners serving in these communities. The sites/dates are: Harvest Hands Ministries, Juarez MX – Jan 20-27; Voice of Calvary Ministries, Jackson MS – Feb 3-10; JVM Perkins Foundation, Jackson MS – Feb 11-17; Grace Covenant Ministries, Annville, KY – Mar 3-10; Grace Reigns, Hildale UT – Mar 24-31. There is more information about each project on the JFA website ([www.jfa-niowa.org](http://www.jfa-niowa.org)). If you would like to sign up or want more information on any of these opportunities, please contact Nick LeLoux at JFA (712-476-2804, [nickl@jfa-nwiowa.org](mailto:nickl@jfa-nwiowa.org)).

Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts may be brought to New Life Church in Sioux Center or First Reformed Church in Rock Rapids November 14-20. To learn more about the OCC ministry and the Gospel impact it is having on children, families, and communities worldwide, visit [samaritanspurse.org/occ](http://samaritanspurse.org/occ). Contact Loralie Wiese at 712-441-2371 for additional information, materials, and collection week drop-off details.