COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET April 2, 2023

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, April 2: ETM (Early Teen Ministry) will meet at First CRC in the upper level of their ministry building at 7:30pm.

Tuesday, April 4: 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 9pm. Video: Living with Schizophrenia. Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are welcome. For information, call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

Advance Announcements

Friday, April 14: Dordt University will host its biennial band festival featuring 10 high school bands, along with both the Dordt University Wind Symphony and Campus-Community Band. The groups will perform during the day in the B.J. Haan and will individually work with Dr. Onsby Rose and Dr. Allegra Fisher on their music. At 7:00pm each ensemble will perform one piece in the B.J. Haan and then move to the DeWitt Gymnasium for a mass band performance featuring over 600 musicians! This event is free and open to the public and will also be livestreamed at <u>www.dordt.edu/livestream</u>.

Saturday, April 15: Love INC Sioux County invites the community to our Spring Share Event at the Parkview Event Center in Rock Valley. Doors will open at 5pm to be followed by a catered meal at 5:30 and an improvisational comedy show by Slap Happy Comedy at 7. The Slap Happy Comedy team, a Christian two-man duo, brings a clean, high energy, interactive comedy experience that guarantees fun for the entire family. Tickets to this event can be purchased for \$50 a piece or you may reserve a complete table of 8 for \$360. Please order tickets by calling the Love INC office at (712)476-5990 or by going to <u>www.loveincsiouxcounty.org</u>. Deadline is April 7.

Saturday, April 15: Dordt University student Lael Bervig will present a senior piano recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Bervig will be performing the Aria and some selections from Bach's beloved *Goldberg Variations*. Brahms's rich and lyrical *Intermezzo in A Major* will be featured as well as Debussy's *Pagodes*, an impressive piece that shimmers with expression, layered chords, and Debussy's use of the pentatonic scale. The final piece of the program, Gershwin's *Three Preludes*, will bring a bold and flourishing finish to the recital. All are welcome to a reception following the recital.

Thursday, April 20: At 4pm in SB1606, the Dordt University Social Work Department is hosting a talk and Q&A with professional counselor, Aundi Kolber. Kolber is the author of two books, *Try Softer: A Fresh Approach to Move Us Out of Anxiety, Stress, and Survival Mode—and into a Life of Connection and Joy* and *Strong Like Water: Finding Freedom, Safety, and Compassion to Move Through Hard Things and Experience True Flourishing.* Kolber's talk will focus on content from both of her books along with helping us think about what it means to truly "love your neighbor as yourself" through the lens of self-compassion and mutuality. If you have questions, please contact Erin Olson at <u>erin.olson@dordt.edu</u>.

Saturday, April 29: MENDELSSOHN, SONGS & PSALMS - The Sioux County Oratorio Chorus, joined by Northwestern College's Heritage Singers, will be presenting a varied program of psalms, hymn, and sacred songs by Mendelssohn, Schütz, Thomson, Handel, and Duruflé at 7:30pm in B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt University. With guest conductor Michael Pekel, chamber orchestra, and soprano soloist Shannon Salyards, the choirs will bring vibrant settings of Psalms 90, 100, and 42, along with enduring favorites like Handel's "Zadok the Priest" and Duruflé's "Ubi caritas." Tickets are \$15 in advance/\$20 at the door for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets can be purchased at Evie's Hallmark, Windmill Park Jewelers, Dordt/NWC music offices, or from any SCOC member.

Requested Announcements

Are you ready to do some spring cleaning? Or maybe you are considering "downsizing" to a condo, apartment, or assisted living? Western Christian's Bargain Alley Furniture Outlet may be able to help. We are willing to come to

your residence to pick up any donated furniture. Please consider donating your used items to the Bargain Alley Thrift Store or the Bargain Alley Furniture Outlet! Contact Lawrence at the Outlet: 712-439-6802, or check us out on <u>facebook.com/BargainAlleyThriftStore</u> for more information.

Love INC Sioux County is seeking an individual to answer phones 1-2 mornings a week at our office located in Rock Valley (days are flexible). This person should have a friendly, outgoing demeanor and be willing to pray with people on the phone. If interested, please contact Debbie at 712-476-5990.