

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET

March 10, 2024

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.

Monday, March 11: Sioux Center Christian School invites you to our TK – 4th grade spring concert at 7:00pm in the BJ Haan Auditorium. TK-K students will be sharing songs that share a sweet and lively tale about the joys of the changing seasons. 1st - 4th graders will be singing fun songs from "Wing It!", a musical about birds being encouraged to leave the safety of their nest. Come for an evening of enthusiastic singing that honors our God, the Sustainer of seasons and Creator of all "birds of a feather", plus enjoy a bright display of fun costumes! Come in person or watch the livestream/recording at <https://www.siouxcenterchristian.com/currentfamilies/livestream.cfm>. A freewill offering will be received for our music department.

Thursday, March 14: Katelyn's Fund March Support Meeting for Foster Care and Adoption will be held at 7:00pm in the Fireside Room (Room 99) at Centerpoint Church in Sioux Center. While we are protective of our children's personal journeys, we do believe we're called to share stories of God's goodness to us as parents before, during, and after the adoption process. Ken & Barb Addink, parents who have adopted several children through the foster care system, will share their story of God's faithfulness throughout their family's story.

March 14 - 16: Unity Christian High School invites you to join them for the musical "Little House on the Prairie". While the story will be very familiar, the musical is not. We hope you will join us for this new experience! Tickets can be purchased through Bound either online or through the app. The show will be March 14 & 15 at 7:00pm and a matinee Saturday, March 16 at 2:00pm in the Unity Knight Center.

Friday, March 15: The Dordt University Concert Choir invites you to a concert at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium which is part of a spring tour with performances scheduled in Montana, Washington, British Columbia, Idaho, South Dakota, and Iowa. Directed by Dr. Ryan Smit, the Concert Choir will perform a wide variety of music including hymn arrangements; spirituals; songs from other cultures; standards of the choral repertoire by Sweelinck and Hassler; and newer modern works by Shawn Kirchner, Jake Runestad, Dan Forrest, Elaine Hagenberg, Kim André Arnesen, Patrick Vu, and others. The concert is free, with a freewill offering received to help defray tour expenses. The concert will be livestreamed at www.dordt.edu/livestream.

Advance Announcements

Sunday, March 17: ETM will meet at First CRC at 7:30pm.

Monday, March 18: Sioux Center Christian School invites you to our 3rd – 8th grade spring instrumental concert at 7:00pm in Centerpoint Church. 3rd – 8th orchestras will share a variety of songs, including Jupiter and Brandenburg Concerto #3. The 5th-6th grade bands will perform a wide array of joyful songs. Come in person or watch the recording (no livestream) at <https://www.siouxcenterchristian.com/currentfamilies/livestream.cfm>. A freewill offering will be received for our music department.

Tuesday, March 19: Sioux Center Christian School invites you to our Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Blazer Center Campus Expansion at 1:30pm. The event will be held on the south side of school by the soccer field. You are welcome to park on the northeast side of school, using 3rd Ave SE and the First CRC parking lot. Some folding chairs will be available, but you are welcome to take your lawn chairs. We hope you can join us for the exciting milestone in God's Story for SCCS!

Wednesday, March 20: A Rock Valley Habitat Home Groundbreaking Ceremony will be held at 10:00am at 2652 Warren Circle in Rock Valley. Please join Siouxland Habitat for Humanity as we give thanks to God and break ground on this Habitat home with the Alex & Rebecca Arteaga family. Everyone is welcome!!

March 21 & 22: Do you know a child who is ready to start school this fall? It is Round Up time at Sioux Center Christian School, and we are excited to share how your child will learn and live God's Story at our school! Round Up assessments will be held on Thursday, March 21, and Friday, March 22. Please visit our website at www.siouxcenterchristian.com/connectwithus/ttkroundup.cfm or call our school office 712-722-0777 for more information or to register.

Thursday, March 21: The Sioux Center Christian School Board of Trustees will be holding the annual Society Meeting at 6:00pm in the SCCS orchestra room. Agenda items include approving the 24-25 budget, board updates, a financial update, and more. Please call the school office at 722-0777 or email sccssoffice@siouxcenterchristian.com for a link to the pre-meeting materials. We invite all Society members to attend!

Friday, March 22: The Dordt University Music Department will host OPERA Iowa, Des Moines Metro Opera's educational touring troupe, for a performance of Grétry/Borths' Beauty and the Beast (sung in English), at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The performance is free and open to the public. OPERA Iowa will also present a children's opera, "Sid the Serpent Who Wanted to Sing," the story of a serpent in the circus who longs for more than just slithering in and out of his basket—he wants to sing! This performance will be in the B.J. Haan Auditorium on Friday, March 22 at 1:15pm. To register for the Children's Performance, contact the Dordt University Music Office at 712-722-6222.

Monday, April 1: Cornerstone Prison Church Council, Board and Congregation would like to invite you to our Annual Benefit Banquet at Trinity CRC in Rock Valley, IA. Doors open at 6:00pm and the banquet begins at 6:30pm. Save your spot by Sunday, March 24 by calling Trinity CRC at 712-476-5292 or go to our website www.cornerstonepcsd.org. A free will offering will be taken as an opportunity to financially support Cornerstone's ministry. If you are unable to attend, you can send your donations to: Cornerstone Prison Church, c/o Dave Vande Kamp, PO Box 88708, Sioux Falls, SD 57109, or donate online at www.cornerstonepcsd.org.

Requested Announcements

Habitat Sponsor A Stud - Gather your friends, family, church group or business to sponsor one or more 2x4 studs for \$100 each to help build the Arteaga family's Habitat home! We will deliver the stud to you to decorate with Bible verses, encouraging words, prayers, pictures, etc. The studs will be framed into the house, and everyone will be invited to a Stud Finder Event later on to see the studs and pray for the home and family. Get more details and sign up by March 22 by contacting Kurt Franje: 641-780-9054 or kfranje@siouxlandhabitat.org

The Bargain Alley Thrift Store is seeking more volunteers. Please contact Kari Hoekstra at the store or email her at bargainalleyhull@gmail.com if you are interested.