

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET
September 8, 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.

Friday, September 13: You are cordially invited to the BJ Haan Auditorium at 7:00pm for the annual POPS Concert performed by the Dordt University Instrumental Ensembles. This year the Chamber Orchestra and Mass Band will raise the red, white, and blue as they perform a concert of patriotic favorites! Come and join us for an evening of inspiration and fun.

Advance Announcements

Monday, September 16: JUSTICE FOR ALL is planning the 2025 Service and Learning Opportunities and would love to have you join one of the teams! These weeks are wonderful opportunities to serve others but also to experience and understand God's Kingdom in new and important ways! Dates and places: Harvest Hands Ministries, Juarez, MX – January 17-25; JVMPerkins Foundation, Jackson MS – February 1-7; Voice of Calvary Ministries, Jackson, MS - February 8-14; Grace Covenant Ministries, Annville, KY – March 1-7; Grace Reigns, Colorado City AZ – April 4-12. Each week is a wonderful opportunity of building relationships with people from a community which is very different than our own, through serving, learning, and studying God's Word together. Nick LeLoux, Service and Learning Coordinator will be holding an informational meeting at 6:30pm at the JFA Ministry Center. If you can't make it to the meeting but would like more information or sign up for a project, please contact Nick at JFA 712-476-2804 or email nickl@jfa-nwiowa.org. You can also check out our website: jfa-niowa.org

Tuesday, September 17: Love INC Sioux County values prayer! You're invited to join us at a prayer gathering at 8:00am at the Love INC office (1317 Main Street) in Rock Valley. We are gathering again to pray for the communities impacted by the flood. ALL ARE WELCOME! For those of you who are prayer warriors, we are looking to add to our Prayer Team so this would also be a good time to hear more about that! Matthew 7:7 "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find, knock and the door will be opened to you."

Wednesday, October 9: Dordt University invites you to "Who Is My Neighbor?" from 7:15 to 8:30pm in Dordt's Science Building, Room 1606. Matthew Soerens, VP of Advocacy and Policy for World Relief, will be sharing more about understanding dynamics at the US-Mexico border.

Tuesday, October 22: Justice For All invites you to attend their Annual Meeting at 5:00pm at the Rock Valley Event Center. Along with the business meeting a delicious meal will be served. Because of the historic flood in June, JFA will not hold their fall auction so that many businesses and individuals who generally donate towards the auction can continue to get back on their feet. In place of the auction, JFA will host a panel of area ministries who will share their ministry but also how through collaboration, many needs continue to be met in our local area. Reservations for the meal can be made by calling 712-476-2804 or emailing joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org by Oct 15. Please join us as we celebrate JFA ministry over the past year and look forward to what God is calling JFA to in the next year! An offering will be taken for JFA ministry.

Requested Announcements

The Grandmother's Moms in Prayer Group and the College/Career Moms in Prayer group will begin praying on Tuesday, September 17. Both groups will be meeting at First CRC in the upstairs Fireside Room. The grandmas will meet from 9:30 to 10:30am and the college/career group will meet from noon to 1pm. All moms, grandmas and any women who are willing to pray are welcome!

Unity Christian's Moms in Prayer group invites moms to join us on Tuesdays from 12:00-1:00pm in the conference room to pray over students and staff of Unity. We follow a prayer sheet that focuses on praising God for one of his attributes, and then praying a specific verse over a group of students and staff each week. God moves in powerful ways when we pray together! Questions? Contact Candi TeKrony at canditekrony@gmail.com

Please consider partnering with a farmer in Liberia, Africa this fall with a donation of grain. One Body One Hope is a ministry partnership between northwest Iowa and Liberia. Your grain donation would support a farm community

of families in West Africa. To learn more, visit onebodyonehope.org and click the grain donation link or call 712-395-8987. Thank you.

The City of Sioux Center is seeking to hire a full-time SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER who will work in Sioux Center Christian School, maintaining a positive presence on campus during regular school hours, handling situations on campus, while fulfilling additional roles such as teacher, counselor, and mentor. For more information on the position and how to apply, go to siouxcenterchristian.com > Connect with Us > Employment. If you know someone who would be a good fit for this position at our school, please share this opportunity with them!

Friendship Bible class begins its fall season this week. Members are a diverse group of believers (college age to retirees) paired with an equally diverse group of learners who have learning challenges (high schoolers, people employed in the community, HH clients) who enjoy fellowship, growing in faith, and always, a little food! Friendship meets on Thursday evenings at First CRC in Sioux Center. We are welcoming new students. If interested, please email office@firstcrc.com and put "Friendship" in the subject line.