COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET September 22, 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, September 23: Dutch organist Arjan Breukhoven will present an organ/piano recital at 7:00pm at First Christian Reformed Church in Sioux Center. Together with Liz Van Maanen, clarinet, he will present a diverse program with hymn-based improvisations, classical pieces, and popular works. If you would like to hear Arjan play but you have a conflict on the 23rd, he will also present solo organ recitals on Tuesday, Sept. 24, at The Rock Community Church in Rock Rapids (302 S Carroll Street); on Thursday, Sept. 26, at First CRC in Orange City (408 Arizona Ave SW); and on Friday, Sept. 27, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls (909 W 33rd Street). All recitals start at 7:00pm, have free admission, different programs, and a retiring collection to cover Arjan's expenses. After the recitals, there will be a few of Arjan's CDs available for purchase. All are welcome!

Friday, September 27: The annual Dordt University Honors Recital will take place at 3:10pm 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, September 28: On September 26-28, ninety-five high school choral singers will join us on campus at Dordt University for the Dordt University Honor Choir Weekend. Attendees come from Iowa, Minnesota, and Indiana and were recommended by their individual choir directors. The ensemble will spend Thursday evening, Friday, and Saturday morning in rehearsals and will give a final concert at 1pm on Saturday, Sept. 28. The Honor Choir will be conducted by Dr. Ryan Smit, Director of Choral Activities at Dordt University.

Advance Announcements

Sunday, September 29: ETM – Early Teen Ministry for 7th and 8th graders will meet at First CRC at 7:30pm in their ministry building for a lesson and games.

Thursday, October 3: The Faith CRC annual Fall Supper and Auction will be at the SCCS gym with a Pizza Ranch buffet served from 5-6:30pm in the cafeteria with freewill donation for the meal. The auction begins at 6:00pm. Proceeds go toward Faith's Christian education fund.

Saturday, October 5: Please mark your calendar for "An Evening of Praise" as the Bible League International (BLI) Ambassadors are sponsoring a music concert at the B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt University beginning at 7pm. The groups that will be performing are Ensemble Royale and the Klassens. A free will offering will be taken for BLI. Please invite your friends and family to "An Evening of Praise." Everyone is welcome!

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.

Requested Announcements

Winter Warm Up is a group of local volunteers who collect new and gently used winter gear to give away to hundreds of individuals and families in need in our community. Our annual Distribution will be held on Saturday, October 26th at Kinsey Elementary. We know our communities have experienced many challenges this past year, and we anticipate the needs to be higher than ever. Would you consider helping? The items we are most in need of at this time are boys and girls size 8-10 coats, toddler girls and boys coats, car seat covers, and waterproof gloves of all sizes. If you have items that you would like to donate, they can be dropped off or shipped to 906 4th Street NW, Sioux Center, IA 51250; cash or gift card donations are also appreciated as they help us purchase items immediately when there is a need. All donations go directly to providing winter gear. Thank you!