COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET November 3, 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.

Sunday, November 3: A Combined Reformation Service hosted by Faith CRC and Lebanon CRC will be held at Faith CRC at 5:00pm. Members of both host churches will participate, and the message will be delivered by Pastor Cal Hoogendoorn from Sioux Falls, SD. The offering has been designated for Sioux Center ATLAS. A nursery will be provided, and a time of fellowship and refreshments will follow the service.

Tuesday, November 5: The NAMI Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9pm. Judicial Mental Health Advocate Abby Wallin will discuss "Mental Health Commitments & the Rights of Committed Individuals," concerning individuals with mental illness who do not voluntarily seek treatment. For information, call Shirley Matheis at 722-4462.

Wednesday, November 6: Praise and Thanksgiving! You are warmly invited to an inspiring evening hosted by One Body One Hope at the Dordt University Agriculture Stewardship Center. Together, we will celebrate and give thanks for the amazing work God is doing in Liberia and Sierra Leone. Fellowship & Refreshments at 7:00pm (Enjoy delicious desserts and refreshing drinks) followed by a program from 7:15–8:20pm (sharp). We look forward to sharing this special time of worship, gratitude, and community with you!

Wednesday, November 6: COME SING ON TUESDAYS! The Sioux County Oratorio Chorus is kicking off a new and exciting season next month, and all are welcome to come sing. This season features a special guest conductor and a first for the chorus as we present Brahms Requiem. Due to a conflict with NISO, our first rehearsal will begin Wednesday, November 6 at 7:30pm in the DeWitt Music Hall on Northwestern's campus with normal Tuesday rehearsals resuming the following weeks. Please contact Mike Ochsner, <u>mkchsnr@gmail.com</u>, with any questions. We look forward to making music with you!

Saturday, November 9: You are cordially invited to a faculty organ recital by Dr. Carrie Groenewold, Joan Ringerwole Chair of Church Music and Organ, at 7:00pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The evening will feature standard repertoire by Bruhns, Bach, and Sweelinck, along with works by composers of our time—a duet for flute and organ by Emma Lou Diemer, a fanfare by Craig Phillips, and variations on the beloved "Old Hundredth" tune by Denis Bédard. The recital will include collaborations with Jessi Rose, flute, and Rheinberger's lyrical Cantilène with Marian Casey, cello. In addition, Dr. Michael Kearney, a new faculty member in the Communication Department, will perform one of his own organ compositions based on the hymn tune MELITA and the Genevan Psalter tune of Psalm 107.

Advance Announcements

Thursday, November 14: Combo Night in November! Mark your calendars for Unity Christian's Fall Fine Arts production of a One-Act play, Mannenkoor, and The Cast (improv group) at 7:00pm. You can purchase your tickets through Bound. Adults are \$8; K-12 are \$5.

Monday, November 18: You are invited to the Sioux Center Christian School Fall Choral Concert at 7:00pm at Centerpoint Church. This concert will feature our 5th-8th grade choirs, who will be singing lovely sacred Christmas songs as well as other worshipful music plus a mass choir piece to conclude the concert. A freewill offering will be received for our music dept.

Monday, November 25: Middle School Open House! All middle school students and their parents are invited to our Middle School Open House from 7:00-8:30pm to learn more about Unity Christian High School. We will all meet in the Knight Center from 7:00-7:30pm and then break out into sections.

Requested Announcements

Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts may be brought to New Life Church in Sioux Center from November 18 to 24. Contact Loralie Wiese, 712-441-2371, for more information and drop-off times. <u>www.samaritanspurse.org/occ</u>.