COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET November 17, 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 17: ETM for 7th and 8th graders will meet at First CRC at 7:30pm in their ministry building.

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.

Thursday, November 21: Pizza Ranch Community Tip Night: Dordt University's PLIA is hosting a Pizza Ranch Tip Night from 5 to 8pm at the Pizza Ranch in Sioux Center! PLIA is a student-run club that partners with organizations nationwide to provide a short-term service trip opportunity on spring break where students can use their God-given gifts to serve alongside others and learn what it means to live out their faith. We would love your support!

Saturday, November 23: Rock Valley Habitat Home Dedication - Please join us at 11:00am to give thanks to God and ask for His blessing on this home and the Arteaga family. The home is located at 2652 Warren Circle in Rock Valley. A light lunch will follow the dedication program. Everyone is welcome!

Saturday, November 23: You are cordially invited to a Small Ensembles recital which will include the Saxophone Ensemble and the Clarinet Ensemble. Each ensemble consists of 4 performers who have been playing together for several semesters. The concert will include a wide range of music including an arrangement of "Amazing Grace" and "Wade in the Water", a well-known spiritual arranged by Rick Hirsch with a gospel jazz feel. Befitting a concert in Iowa, there will also be a song entitled "Bloodthirsty Blizzard" by Chris Evan Hass. The recital will be held in the B.J. Haan Auditorium at 7:30pm.

Advance Announcements

Sunday, November 24: Mark your calendars for a casual night of contemporary worship and Scripture reflection to be held at 7:30pm in the new sanctuary at Faith CRC. All community members are invited to join. The theme of the night will be Unite As One, and there will be snacks and a time of fellowship afterwards. To stay connected, follow @faith.communityworship on Instagram.

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.

Friday, December 6: Pizzas, Puzzles, & Pints (of Ice Cream) - Join us for a fun night out at Ireton Christian School. Get a six-person team together for \$180/team. The fastest team to finish a 520-piece puzzle, eat a large pizza, and three pints of ice cream wins a cash prize! This event, including a silent auction, will be held at the Ireton Christian gym. Doors open at 6:00pm. Competition starts at 6:30pm. Register online or email Ireton Christian School at icsauxiliary@gmail.com.

Requested Announcements

Rehoboth Christian School's maintenance team is in need of a reliable pickup truck. The 1996 Ford truck that was donated many years ago has become less than reliable for trips to town to pick up supplies. If you have a reliable truck that you would be willing to donate, they would appreciate it! Connect with Ken Zylstra at 505-488-3900 or email kzylstra@rcsnm.org for more information.

Sioux Center Christian School Trustee Nominations 2024. The board is seeking to fill three open Trustee positions for the 25-26 school year. Any member of the SCCS Society can make nominations. Trustees must meet all the requirements to serve in this role. You are encouraged to submit nominations by November 30, 2024. Find a link at www.siouxcenterchristian.com to learn more about the requirements and qualifications.

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. www.samaritanspurse.org/occ.

Would you, your family, your church group, or workplace be willing to be a sponsor for Operation Santa? Foster Squad of Iowa has committed to making sure every child in foster care receives Christmas gifts this year. Currently there are 1536 wishlists for children in Iowa. Setting Anchors (our local foster family non-profit support) is partnering with Foster Squad, Four Oaks, and nine other non-profits across the state to help this happen.

**Go to www.fostersquad.org/santa to sign up to be a sponsor.

**To help support our local foster families, make donations to Setting Anchors www.setting-anchors.com/blank-2

Please reach out to Setting Anchors if you have any questions. Holly Dibbet 712-441-6117 Tara Dekkers 712-441-2605