

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES
COMMUNITY BULLETIN
May 15, 2022

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

News outlets seem to thrive on fear, telling us about the possibility of inflation, rising interest rates, and shortages. Give thanks that the righteous sacrifice of Christ maintains infinite value and insures the forgiveness, righteousness, and eternal inheritance of all who believe. Scripture says, “Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever”. He is our constant source of security. Pray that we would be honest, holy, and free from greed in our business dealings as a witness to Christ.

Pray also for those preparing for the Tulip Festival to enjoy the planning and set up. Pray that more than Dutch tradition might be on stage. Pray that the faith of Christian immigrants would point to Christ’s kingdom above, reaching beyond all ethnic boundaries.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Keep denominational ministries in prayer. Call the toll-free number: 1-888-CRC-PRAY (272-7729).

Groundwork - Jesus on the Shore - The disciples’ story of meeting Jesus on the shore helps us recognize that Jesus is in the ordinary and that he’s willing to fellowship with us right where we’re at. Join Groundwork as we study John 21 to learn how keeping our focus on the resurrected Jesus and his simple command for us to follow him cultivates our faith. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com

Tulip Festival Opportunity: OCCS Tiger PAWS is looking for individuals to fill a few remaining spots for the StraatMarket and the Tent. ***StraatMarket*** (contact Roxy Dykstra-712-441-5733) 1. Saturday/5:30-8:00 (2 shifts) ***Tent*** (contact Janeen Klompier-712-360-1316) 1. Saturday/Register Assistant/4:30-7:30
2. Saturday/Meat Heater/4:30-cleanup 3. Saturday/Soup Heater/4:30-cleanup 4. Saturday/East Side Hot Food Server/4:30-cleanup

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 15

2:00 p.m. Commissioning Service: The Rev. Mark & JinHee Klompier family has been called to serve with Resonate Global in Nepal. Join us for a service of The Word and prayer with leaders from Classis Heartland, Iakota, Minnkota and Resonate. The service takes place at Hawarden CRC on Sunday, May 15th at 2:00 pm. We celebrate remembering—“*The gospel...will be preached to the ends of the earth...then the end will come.*” (Matthew 24:14)

Friday, May 20

8:30 a.m. Celebrating God’s Faithfulness! Join us for a time of remembering and celebration as we celebrate 100 years of the OCCS Monica Society (now “Tiger Paws”). Current and Associate members, meet at the Tiger Paws White Tent for fellowship. We’d love to have many of you come and reminisce about memories you have and different ways Monica has changed over the years.

2:00 p.m. Calling all associate or current Orange City Christian School Tiger Paws (Monica) members! We are looking for float riders/walkers to ride or walk along the OCCS float on Friday, May 20 for the afternoon parade as we celebrate 100 years of Monica, now Tiger Paws. Meet at the OCCS float at 2:00 p.m. The float is usually on Colorado Ave, south of 3rd Street. If you are unable to walk the parade route and would like to ride the float, please RSVP to tigerpaws@orangecitychristian.net to reserve a spot on the float.

Sunday, May 22

11:00 a.m. Community Tulip Festival Worship Service will be held at Windmill Park. In case of inclement weather, the service will be held at First Reformed Church.

Advance Notices:

From OCCS: Everyone is invited to attend the retirement farewell for Kim Starkenburg following the Hymn of the Month program on Monday, May 23 at First Reformed Church in Orange City. You are welcome to join us for a time of refreshments and fellowship. This celebration will begin at approximately 8:00 p.m.

Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) is accepting applications for the upcoming weekend at the First Reformed Church in Orange City, Iowa. TEC is an interdenominational three day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. The next TEC is June 24-26, 2022 If you would like to learn more about TEC or register, please visit www.TriStateTEC.org or email TriStateTEC@gmail.com. The cost is \$50 and includes a t-shirt & other special gifts. Scholarships are available upon request.

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Greece (Oct 6-18, 2022): Travel to biblical sites connected with Paul's missionary journeys in Greece: Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea, Athens, Corinth as well as Meteora and Delphi. Included is a fabulous 3-day cruise to Mykenos, Ephesus, Patmos, Crete and Santorini. Contact Dr. Jeff Weima, Professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar at weimje@calvinseminary.edu or 616-328-3110.

--Announcements (2-week limit) for the Community Bulletin are due by Thursday at 1:00 p.m., email: office@firstcrcoc.org