

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

October 26, 2025

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 - Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Pray for our marriage relationships in our churches and in our community! May they continue to seek new ways to reflect the love of Jesus and model the love of Christ for his Church.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Groundwork - Your Questions about the Triune God - Let's explore your questions about the Trinity together. Study Deuteronomy 6:4, Matthew 28:16-20, 1 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 1 Corinthians 15:24-28, Acts 8:14-16, and John 17:20-23 with Groundwork to gain a deeper understanding of the nature of our Triune God and how our belief in the Triune God influences our worship and the sacrament of baptism. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com

OCCS Pig-In-The-Blanket Fundraiser - We will be making the Pig-In-The-Blankets this coming week on Monday and Tuesday, October 27 and 28. The process will be taking place from 5:00-9:00 p.m. in the school gym. We welcome any Associates (past parents, grandparents, or supporters of the school) who would like to join us. You can pick up your order at OCCS on Wednesday, October 29 from 5-7 p.m. We will have a drive thru line starting in front of the school and proceeding around the gym on the east side. Please bring your payment along when picking up your order. Thank you for supporting OCCS!

Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts may be brought to area drop-site locations in LeMars, Rock Rapids, Sheldon, or Sioux Center starting Monday, November 17 through Sunday, November 23.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sunday, October 26

6:00 p.m. Combined Reformation Day Service at First CRC. Rev. Stephen Terpstra will bring the message, "No Other Gospel" based on Galatians 1:6-9, 2:16. An offering for Atlas will be received.

Monday, October 27

6:00 p.m. Common Thread will meet in the Cadet/Coffeehouse Room at Calvary.

Wednesday, October 29

9:30 a.m. Coffee Break will meet at Calvary CRC – *Mark* – Lesson 6

6:50 p.m. Cadets will meet at Calvary CRC

Thursday, October 30

4:00 p.m. Unity Christian High School will be hosting the NW Iowa Christian School Orchestra Festival concert in the Knight Center. The concert will showcase the combined middle school orchestras, combined high school orchestras, and a massed orchestra of all of the participating students. A free-will offering will be received.

Saturday, November 1

7:00 p.m. Maren Hettinga, a senior studying K-12 instrumental music education at Dordt University, will give a trumpet recital in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The recital will include well-known arrangements, such as Alexander Arutunian's Concerto for Trumpet, as well as original music, including the premiere of a trumpet fanfare written by Dr. Onsby Rose, professor of music and director of instrumental ensembles at Dordt. The recital is free to attend and open to the public. A public reception will also be held following the recital.

6:00 p.m. MIK+ Post High Young Adult (18-30 year old singles): We will be enjoying a meal together and then "shopping" for our Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Location TBD. For more info and to RSVP contact Lee at 712 470 4244.

Advanced Notices:

Please join Hospers First Christian Reformed Church on Tuesday, November 4 for their annual soup and pie supper. We will be serving soup, sandwiches and pie from 5:00-7:00 p.m. with carry out options available. A free will offering will be taken, with all proceeds benefiting Christian education. Come for great food and fellowship!

Praise and Thanksgiving! As faithful supporters of OBOH you are warmly invited to an inspiring evening hosted by One Body One Hope on Wednesday, November 5, at the Overlook on Dordt University Campus. Together, we will celebrate and give thanks for the amazing work God is doing in Liberia and Sierra Leone. Fellowship & Refreshments at 7:00 p.m. Enjoy delicious desserts and refreshing drinks followed by a program from 7:15–8:15 p.m. (sharp). We look forward to sharing this special time of worship, gratitude, and community with you!

Katelyn's Fund Annual Auction will take place on Friday, November 7, at New Life Reformed Church in Sioux Center! Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Join us for a complimentary meal at 5:30 pm and stay for the auction, which begins at 6:30 p.m. We've got a great lineup of items, including electronics, home goods, vacation stays, autographed NFL merch, and more!

Unity Christian High School would like to invite all Veterans and their families to our Veterans Assembly at 9:55 a.m. on November 11. Join us for some music, storytelling, and fellowship.

Men and Young Men - Are you a Warrior in War and Faith? Men need to be today to protect their families from harm. Some wars involve bullets, others are closer to home - like helping your family defeat our culture's influence. Come to the Area Men's Event on Tuesday, November 11 at 7 p.m. at the MOC Floyd Valley High School gym. Hear Tommy Albers share his experience of War and Faith. This event is sponsored by Mendistry.

Combo Night is Coming! You're invited to Unity Christian's Combo Night on Thursday, November 13 at 7 p.m. in the Knight Center. Combo Night is a double theater performance of both the Fall one-act play "Our Place" by Terry Gabbard and the improv group "The Cast". Additionally, a few student musicians will perform between the two drama productions. Tickets are available on [Bound](#) [\$5 for students and \$8 for adults]. We hope to see you there!

MIK+ Post High Young Adult (18-30 year old singles): Saturday Nov 15 (6pm): Bible Study at Inwood Christian Reformed Church (Ephesians: Your Place in God's Plan by Richard Coekin). No prep work necessary. We will be sharing a Thanksgiving Meal together and then dig into "Ephesians 2 New Life, New People." For more info and to RSVP contact Lee at 712 470 4244.

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