

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES
COMMUNITY BULLETIN
November 16, 2025

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

From 1 Thessalonians 1, we pray for the spread of the gospel and for its proclamation week by week, that our “work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ” would be pleasing to God and a means of his work. We pray that the gospel might be sent forth “not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction;” that the Word of the Lord would sound forth so that many turn “to God from idols and serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.”

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Groundwork - Blessed are...the Poor in Spirit, those Who Mourn, the Meek, and those Who Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness - The Beatitudes have provided generations of Christians comfort, guidance, and strength for their faith. Join Groundwork as we study the first four of Jesus’ Beatitudes in Matthew 5:3-6 to gain a deeper understanding of each condition and discover how they exemplify ideal discipleship. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com

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

Tuesday, November 18

7:00 p.m. Please join us for the 5th-8th grade fall concert at OCCS. Take a step back in time as our orchestras, band, and choirs “rewind” through the decades! It will be a joyful night of praise, nostalgia, and community-all for the glory of God!

Wednesday, November 19

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

Saturday, November 22

10:00 a.m. Full time ministry is an extraordinary calling and great privilege, and critical for the purposes of God in this world. If you have ever wondered if God is calling you to serve Him vocationally, whether as a pastor, missionary, chaplain, or something else; if you have questions about what ministry is like; if you wonder if it is worth it; if you don’t know the next steps or process – please join us at Dordt University on November 22 from 10-3 for ‘*Called*’. Rev. Stephen Terpstra, Rev. John Klompien, and Rev. John Lee, along with missions and candidacy experts, will encourage you, talk with you, answer your questions, and explore if God is calling you. The event is free of charge and is for people of all ages, from high school to those nearing retirement, who are exploring full or part time ministry. For more information and to register, go to:

<https://forms.gle/Sg6Zh4Jx6cbPDiE9A> Questions? Email pastor@firstcrcoc.org .

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