

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

February 15, 2026

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Matt 9:37-38). We pray that God would indeed raise up many laborers to persuade, teach, proclaim, defend, and preach the gospel, locally and to the ends of the earth. May God stir our hearts to heed the call to go and make disciples of all nations, to his glory and the salvation of many. May he grant us the honor and privilege of being part of the means He uses to bring in the harvest of souls. We pray for the conversion of family, friends, coworkers, and neighbors, all whom the Lord our God will call.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Groundwork - When Forgiveness is Complicated - How do I forgive myself? What if someone died before I could offer them forgiveness? Can I even forgive someone who is not sorry? Join Groundwork as we study 2 Corinthians 5:17-19, Micah 7:18-19, Luke 17:3-4, 1 Peter 2:21-23, Psalm 62:5-8, and Philippians 4:6-7 to see how Scripture helps us address the hard questions that arise when life situations make forgiveness complicated. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tuesday, February 17

7:00 p.m. The music department from Unity Christian High School will present "Modern Moments and Timeless Tunes," a pops concert featuring hits from a variety of beloved songs spanning multiple decades. All music groups will perform in the Knight Center beginning at 7:00 pm. A free-will donation will be received.

Wednesday, February 18

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

Saturday, February 21

8:45 a.m. There will be wood splitting for the Rosebud Reservation. Meet at Ron De Jong's farm (3536 450th Street, OC).

6:00 p.m. MIK + post high young single adults will meet at Inwood CRC to continue our Bible Study. We will have a meal together (hamburgers and the fixings will be provided, please bring a side dish or dessert to share). After the meal we will study Ephesians Your Place in God's World. Lesson #5 Chapter 4:1-16 "How Churches Grow." If you took a Bible Study book home with you in the last few lessons, please, remember to take it with you, along with your Bible. We have ink pens and notebooks. No prep work is necessary. RSVP to Lee at 712 470 4244 before the 19th. And as always...bring a friend!

Advanced Notices:

The Dordt University Choral Ensembles midwinter concert at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 25 in the BJ Haan Auditorium will feature four of the Dordt's choral ensembles: Bella Voce (women's chorus), Canons of Dordt (men's chorus), Chorale, and Concert Choir. Repertoire will feature a wide variety of choral music focused on themes of Lent, Old Testament stories, and folk music traditions. Bella Voce is conducted by Dr. Carrie Groenewold, Canons of Dordt by Tim Van Voorst, and Chorale and Concert Choir by Dr. Ryan Smit. The concert and a PDF program will also be available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/live-events>.

The Dordt University Music Department will present a concert on Thursday, February 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the BJ Haan Auditorium featuring the 4th Avenue Jazz Singers, 4th Avenue Jazz Band, and Campus-Community Band. The jazz portion of the concert will include big band and Broadway standards, fresh perspectives, featured solos, and a variety of collaborations between singers and instruments. The 4th Avenue Singers are directed by Dr. Ryan Smit, and the 4th Avenue Band is directed by Scott Olson. The Campus-Community Band will play music by Lemanns, Smith, and Maslanka as well as a new suite written by the ensemble's conductor,

Dr. Onsby Rose, titled *Suite for a Historic City*. This work was commissioned by the town of Rottenberg am Nekar, Baden-Wurtenburg, Germany, for the celebration of their 750th anniversary in 2025. The concert and a PDF program will also be available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/live-events>.

Guiding Star Siouxland invites you to join us for our Annual Gala Fundraiser on Friday, March 6, 2026, at Prairie Winds Event Center in Orange City. The evening will include a catered meal, inspiring testimonies, and powerful stories from families whose lives have been impacted through fertility, pregnancy, postpartum, and parenthood. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with dinner and the program beginning at 6:30 PM, and semi-formal attire is requested. This event supports Guiding Star Siouxland's mission to provide life-affirming support and education to women and families in our community. To learn more or to register, visit guidingstarsiouxland.org and click "Gala."

Justice for All invites you to attend the Get to Know JFA Event on March 28, 2026 at the Terrace View Event Center, Sioux Center, IA - 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. JFA Ministry programs (Service & Learning, Sharing & Caring, and Transitional Housing) will be presented and then get ready for some fun!! JFA has invited Christian comedian and illusionist Joshua Jordan back again for a great time of laughs and magic! Entertainment for All ages! The catered meal will feature flavors and dishes inspired by the cultures and communities of our ministry partners. Reservations can be made by calling 712-476-2804 or emailing joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org. (\$75/ticket or \$500 for a table of 8) Kids welcome to join us as we celebrate JFA ministry and enjoy a fun evening!!

The Institute for Reformed Biblical Counseling (IRBC) will be hosting the Reformed Biblical Counseling Conference, Counsel the Word, happening at Dordt University in Sioux Center, Iowa on April 17-18 (Friday evening and Saturday morning). This conference is free of charge, and no registration is required. Our speakers will include IRBC's new executive director, Dr. Jared Poulton, and Director Emeritus and Shepherd's Way Director, Dr. Jeff Doll. Join us for a weekend of teaching that explores how God calls and equips his church to counsel His Word. Learn more at the following website: <https://reformedcounseling.org/event/counsel-the-word-2026>

--Announcements (2-week limit) for the Community Bulletin are due by Wednesday at 12:00 p.m., (for this week only)
email: office@firstcrcoc.org