

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

May 10, 2026

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

As Jesus taught us, we pray that his kingdom would come. May God would rule us by His Word and Spirit in such a way that more and more we submit to Him. May we become people of the kingdom in character and commitment, poor in spirit, mourning over sin, meek, hungry and thirsty for righteousness, merciful, pure in heart, peacemakers, treasuring Christ above all. We pray that God would preserve His church and make her grow, including conversions in our community. We pray that God would destroy the devil's work, indeed that He destroy every force which revolts against Him and every conspiracy against His holy Word. May God do this until His kingdom fully comes and Christ is all. (Matt 6, 13; Heidelberg Catechism LD 48)

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Groundwork - God Creates - The theme of creation echoes throughout the Bible. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Genesis 1, Revelation 21:22-24, Psalm 139:13-14, Hebrews 1:1-3, and Colossians 1:15-17 to discuss what this theme reveals to us about God's character, love, and intentions. Then we'll consider our call to reflect God's creativity with our own as bearers of his image. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com.

OCCS is seeking a full-time custodian starting June 1. This position is ideal for someone who has a love for God and a heart for working in a school environment. Responsibilities include maintaining the cleanliness and care of the building and grounds. The ideal candidate is detail-oriented, dependable, and able to problem-solve effectively. Come join the team at OCCS! Applicants can bring a resume and completed [application](#) to the office or email it to Jason Alons, jalons@orangecitychristian.net.

OCCS is also looking for part-time kitchen help starting this fall. Applicants can bring a completed [application](#) to the Office or email it to Jason Alons, jalons@orangecitychristian.net.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 17

11:00 a.m. All are invited to the Community Worship happening at 11 am at the Windmill Park. Pastor Si Cochren from Cornerstone Baptist will be preaching and the worship will be led by the American Reformed Church. Please take your own lawn chairs or blankets. An offering will be received for the ongoing ministry needs of the Orange City Area Ministerial Association. Inclement weather location is First Reformed Church, 420 Central Ave. NW.

Advanced Notices:

Orange City Christian School is having their annual Hymn of the Month Program on Monday, May 18 at 7:00 p.m. at Unity Christian High School in the gym. Everyone is encouraged to attend and take a friend!

Graduation 2026 at Unity Christian High School will be held on Tuesday, May 19 at 6:00 p.m. in the Knight Center. The ceremony will be streamed on our YouTube channel.

Graduation exercises will be held for the eighth grade students attending Orange City Christian School on Thursday evening, May 21, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Immanuel Christian Reformed Church. Everyone is invited.

The annual OCCS Society meeting will be May 27 at 7:00 p.m. We'll be electing new board members, presenting the budget and giving updates on the building project. More details to come.

Dutch-Canadian organist André Knevel and Dordt University professor Dr. Michael Kearney will present three concerts together at the end of this month: Thursday, May 28 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Le Mars; Friday, May 29 at First Christian Reformed Church in Sheldon; and Saturday, May 30 in the B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt University. All concerts begin at 7 p.m. and are free with a freewill offering. Each will feature a different program. Come and enjoy beautiful church music both old and new!

Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) is accepting applications for the upcoming weekend at the First Reformed Church in Rock Valley, 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 19-21, 2026. 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.

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