

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES
COMMUNITY BULLETIN
January 23, 2022

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

On this Sanctity of Life Sunday, pray that all of life will be valued, from the unborn to the aged. Pray also for those parents who desire to have a child, but have not been able to. Pray that God will give them peace and strength each day.

Continue to pray for the Christian Reformed Church as our denomination seeks to find the right people to lead as General Secretary, Chief Administrative Officer and Executive Director in Canada. Pray that these positions will be filled with Godly people who desire to serve the Lord and the church faithfully

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Groundwork – Your Identity in Christ and Your Behavior - Believing in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior changes your behavior, or at least it should. Join Groundwork as we study Ephesians 4:1-5:20 to hear the Apostle Paul's explanation for why and how our identity in Jesus Christ impacts what we do and say. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com.

The Northwest Iowa Christian School Tuition Organization (NICSTO) is seeking applications for a new Director. Our longtime Director will transition into retirement and train the new hire over the next 12 months. Any questions regarding the position can be directed to Henry Kramer, our current Director - hkramer@unitychristian.net. To request a job description and/or application packet, please email Wayne Dykstra, Board Chair, at wdykstra@unitychristian.net.

Hiring Youth Coordinator: The Minn-I-Kota Youth Network is an organization with the goal to empower, encourage, & equip youth ministry programs at churches in the Minnkota, Iakota, and Heartland Classes. After 12 years of faithful service Lee De Groot plans to step down from her role as Youth Coordinator at the end of 2022. The MIK Youth Board intends to hire a new coordinator by September 2022 to train alongside Lee. Those seeking to apply must have a love for Christ, and be a member of good standing in a church that teaches Reformed doctrine. Applicants must have a heart for youth ministry, and should be gifted in administrative skills as well as event planning. For a job description and information on how to apply, please contact dan@bethelsc.org subject line "MIK Youth Coordinator Position" by April 10.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, January 26

9:30 a.m. Coffee Break will meet at Calvary CRC – *John, Lesson 4*

6:45 p.m. GEMS will meet at Immanuel CRC – Please wear athletic attire and take your own labeled water bottle.

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

Thursday, January 27

3:45 p.m. Join us for the annual Reach Out event sponsored by Unity Christian and MOC-FV. Unity Christian is hosting the event this year. Basketball games between MOC-FV and Unity begin at 3:45 starting with JV girls and boys followed by the varsity teams. All proceeds from this community event will benefit local families with high medical costs.

Sunday, January 30

6:00 p.m. A Combined Worship Service for Cadet Sunday will be held at First CRC. Rev. Mark Vande Zande will bring the message, "God's in Control" based on Joshua 1:1-9. An offering will be received for the Orange City Cadets.

Advance Notice:

The annual OCCS Tiger PAWS Soup Supper will be held on Tuesday, February 1, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the OCCS gym. Soup, tavern, hot dogs/coneys, and homemade desserts and pies will be served. Please come out and support OCCS with this fundraiser!

On Friday, February 4, Dordt University will host its biennial orchestra festival. This festival features two local area high schools, along with the Dordt Chamber Orchestra. The participating schools include Unity Christian High School and Western Christian High School. The festival will culminate in an evening concert at 7 p.m. in Dordt's B.J. Haan Auditorium, in a performance featuring approximately 75 string players. Each school orchestra will first perform an individual selection. The groups will then combine for four mass orchestra pieces. Selections with the mass orchestra will be conducted by Dr. Onsby Rose, Director of Instrumental Activities, and Dr. Allegra Fisher, Assistant Director of Instrumental Activities.

The Return of..."An Oldie But A Goodie". Upon request from our students who have graduated from 8th grade & the Minn-i-Kota Youth Jr High Retreat we are bringing back the High School Retreat. Presidents' Day Weekend February 18-20, 2022 at Sioux Center Bethel CRC Lighthouse building. Our theme is "Belong" based off of HC Q&A #1. For more information ask your Youth Leaders or contact Lee De Groot at 712 470 4244. Deadline for registration is February 5th. Check it out on the Minnikota Youth website and facebook.

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