

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES
COMMUNITY BULLETIN
March 22, 2020

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ!

In this new reality of social distancing, let's be reminded that we have not lost the ability to connect with the One who controls all things through prayer!

Now, we boldly pray for You to defeat this sickness, God. Nothing is impossible with You. As You have spread the waters, made the sun stand still, turned water to wine, so You can defeat COVID-19. Do what only You can do, God.

We ask not only to be healed physically, but spiritually. We draw close to You, God and expect You will honor that by coming near to us!

Please forgive us. Forgive us for sins committed. Search and know us, Father. Know our anxious thoughts and overcome our sinful desires through the power of the Holy Spirit. Create a new heart in each of us, one that desires Your goodness, not the things of this world. May those new hearts unite to be as one!

God keep our thoughts on the things that are pure, right, and noble. Keep our thoughts on helping the poor and widow. Keep our thoughts on those who need to see You act the most. Give us a mindset of servanthood and show us how to wash one another's feet in a time of uncertainty.

To, through and for You are all things, even in this day! May Your name be glorified, Amen!

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Due to concerns related to coronavirus and recommendations regarding large gatherings, the **Hope Haven** Auction scheduled for April 3rd has been postponed. More details will be announced at a later time. To stay up to date on this event and other Hope Haven news, check out hopehaven.org and follow Hope Haven on Facebook.

Due to COVID-19, the **Orange City Good Friday Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be cancelled for this year. The committee thanks you for your past attendance and Lord willing, we will continue this wonderful tradition in 2021.

From OCCS: Due to the recommendation to avoid large gatherings, we will be postponing the Tiger Toss Tournament to a later date. Thanks for your support and stay tuned for details.

In response to COVID-19 **Love INC.** is now postponing the *Love and Laugh* fundraiser that was scheduled for March 28. Our prayer is that you and your loved ones are safe and rooted in peace that comes from our Lord Jesus Christ.

From Justice for All:

JFA has cancelled the bus trip that was scheduled for April 21-28. We are processing checks for refunds to those who have made a deposit for the trip.

We have also moved the foundation event that was scheduled for March 26, to Friday August 21. More details will come out this summer.

Finally, until further notice, JFA will be closing our drop off room and not accepting volunteer groups. If there are groups or questions, please call before coming. 712.476.2804

Cornerstone Prison Church Benefit Banquet has been cancelled and rescheduled for June 29 at Trinity CRC in Rock Valley.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 22

7:00 a.m. *Kids' Corner* on KDCR Radio 88.5

8:30 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. Groundwork - *I Believe in God, the Creator* - Why can we trust God when bad things happen? Study Psalm 19:1-6, Job 28:34-41, and Psalm 104:27-30 with Groundwork to discover why we can believe in the creator God and his providence, and why this belief gives us comfort. Tune in to KDCR 88.5 or listen online anytime at www.GroundworkOnline.com

Next Sunday, March 29

7:00 a.m.—*Kids Corner*

8:30 a.m. & 9:30 p.m. - *Groundwork* - Tune in to KDCR 88.5 or listen online anytime at www.GroundworkOnline.com

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