

**ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES**  
**COMMUNITY BULLETIN**  
**March 29, 2020**

**Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:**

Ugh. Holy Spirit, intercede for us with words that we only feel and cannot express. Lord, we plead with you to take away this thorn that is plaguing us. Get rid of the virus, God. If it is to stay, may You prove to us again that in our weakness, You are strong. Use this time for something incredible. Use this time for more than we can ask or imagine.

Teach us to go forward in the humility You demonstrate in Jesus Christ. In times of being distanced from friends and family, keep us united in You. Give us patience with our homes. Give us strong minds to fight off evil thoughts. Give us ability to think of the things that lead to life. Give us a love that surpasses understanding. We submit to You in this time and ask for forgiveness for so many things. We haven't loved as we should, we have done things we shouldn't, and now we ask for You to be merciful. Don't forget You are gracious. Don't forget You are the God who brought His people out of slavery. Don't forget You are the one who promised our father Abraham that You would always be his God! We call on You to remember us in this season. We know that our brothers and sisters around the world are undergoing the same kinds of sufferings- and much worse. Please protect them. Please provide for them. Please heal them. Please keep us mindful of Your body, the church.

We bring to You the concerns of mental health, physical health, spiritual health. We bring to You the concerns of unemployment, food provision, safety in homes. We bring to You the need for Your Holy Spirit to sustain our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ. Keep us close to You, Father!

In the power of the blood of Jesus Christ, we pray, 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](http://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.

**From Justice for All:** Until further notice, JFA will be closing our drop off room and not accepting volunteer groups. If there questions, please call 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 29**

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 Son* - What do we mean when we say “I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord”? Join Groundwork as we study Matthew 16:13-16, John 1:1-18, and Philippians 2:9-11 to discover who we believe Jesus Christ is and what this belief means for how we live our lives. Tune in to KDCR 88.5 or listen online anytime at [www.GroundworkOnline.com](http://www.GroundworkOnline.com)

**Next Sunday, April 5**

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](http://www.GroundworkOnline.com)

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