

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

April 21, 2019

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

Christ is risen indeed! We join with all Christians today praising God for the gifts of forgiveness, righteousness, and life from the Lord Jesus!

Pray for seminary students Ben Wiersma and Jamie Negus, supported by Classis Heartland, as they continue to prepare for gospel ministry. May the Lord prepare them to be faithful witnesses to the good news of Christ! Pray for all seminaries, and Calvin Theological Seminary in particular, that God may make these places of faithful and effective training for mission and ministry.

Siouxland Habitat for Humanity will build a home in Orange City this summer. Pray for the leadership of Kurt Franje, for this project, and for another family who will be blessed through this ministry in Sioux County.

This evening all Orange City Christian Reformed congregations will gather at Immanuel CRC at 5:00 p.m. for the annual Easter evening worship service. Pray that we may give glory to God and receive God's blessing as we worship together, united in Christ.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Habitat Sponsor A Stud Challenge! - Gather your friends, family, church group, business, etc. to sponsor one or more 2x4 studs for \$50 each to help build the Orange City Habitat House! We will deliver the stud(s) to you, so you can decorate it with Bible verses, encouraging words, prayers, pictures, etc. The decorated studs will be framed into the house, and everyone will be invited to a Stud Finder Open House later on to see the studs and pray for the project. There are 380 studs for the house, and we'd love to see them all decorated with love! Get more details and sign up by May 13 by contacting Kurt Franje: 641-780-9054 or kfranje@siouxlandhabitat.org

We are making pig-in-the-blankets! On Tuesday, April 30 and Wednesday, May 1, OCCS will be preparing pig-in-the-blankets to be served at the Tulip Festival. We will begin both nights at 5:30 p.m. in the OCCS gym. Any extra help is welcome and appreciated.

The Pioneer Home is asking for volunteers willing to commit approximately 3 hours in the morning, if only one day a week, between 8-11 a.m., Monday through Friday to sit in the office, answer the phone, take messages, and be available to answer questions and visit with the residents. This would allow the manager to be out of the building to do repairs and errands. If you would be interested, please contact Arlo at 737-2206.

On May 1, the students and staff of Unity Christian High School are launching their annual Creation Caretaker Clean-a-thon! We are excited to clean over 50 miles of Sioux County roadways. Our fundraising goal is set at \$40,000. Raised funds will be used for our annual budget. Donors are welcome to give to this cause, either through a student, or through a direct donation to the school. If you do not receive a brochure in the mail, but would like to participate, just send a donation to Unity before May 31.

Unity Christian High School is seeking to hire a full time paraprofessional for the 2019-2020 school year. This is an hourly position, built on the schedule of 8:00am to 3:45pm. The primary duties include assisting student learning in the classroom and in small group settings. To learn more about this position and how to apply, contact Dana Broers at dbroers@unitychristian.net or call 712-737-4114.

Unity Christian High School is seeking to hire a school secretary for the 2019-2020 school year. The start time is negotiable but could be as early as June 2019. This position will begin with part-time hours that may grow to be full time within the next 10-14 months. This is an hourly position, built on a schedule of 7:45am to 4:00pm. Application deadline is May 15. To learn more about this position and how to apply, contact Wayne Dykstra wdykstra@unitychristian.net or call 712-737-4114.

Unity Christian High School is seeking to hire a school custodian for the 2019-2020 school year. This is a salaried position and could begin as early as June 1. Unity Christian is also seeking to hire a bus route driver as well as substitute bus drivers for 2019-2020. This is an hourly position starting in August and running through the school year. To learn more about these positions and how to apply, contact Terry Schouten at tschouten@unitychristian.net or call 712-737-4114.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sunday, April 21

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

8:30 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. *Groundwork – Easter: The Resurrection of Jesus Christ* - Matthew's gospel records the fear and doubts experienced as Jesus' followers first encounter their risen Lord and Savior. Join *Groundwork* as we explore Matthew 28 to celebrate the victory of Christ's resurrection and learn how to respond to doubts in our own faith. Tune in to KDCR 88.5 or listen online anytime at www.GroundworkOnline.com

5:00 p.m. Easter Sunday evening combined worship service - "The Last Easter" is a message based on 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, all Christian Reformed churches in Orange City are invited to gather at Immanuel CRC.

Wednesday, April 24

6:45 p.m. GEMS will meet at Immanuel CRC

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

Friday, April 26

8:45 a.m. All grandparents of freshmen students at Unity Christian High School are invited to attend Freshman Grandparent Day at the school. The event is scheduled to begin at 8:45 a.m. and will finish at lunch with your grandchild. Please call 737-4114 to make a lunch reservation.

6:30 p.m. MOPS Sponsored movie night- Free and open to the community- "Like Arrows" a Family Life feature film that explores the challenges and joys that come with raising children, will be shown at Dover Church. Childcare will be available provided by Dover Youth Group for donations towards their trip to LIFE- the National Youth Conference for Christian and Missionary Alliance. Please contact Leah Van Walbeek (ljvanwalbeek@hotmail.com) with any questions you may have and if you are interested in utilizing the childcare so we can ensure we have enough workers.

7:30 p.m. The early music ensemble Lumedia Musicworks will present a recital at Dordt College in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The recital is free and open to the public.

Saturday, April 27

7:30 p.m. Handel's Messiah- The Sioux County Oratorio Chorus, along with Northwestern College's Heritage Singers and Dordt College's Concert Choir, bring you Handel's *Messiah*. The concert will be presented in Dordt's BJ Haan Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door for adults, \$5 for students, and are available at Windmill Park Jewelers in Orange City, Evie's Hallmark in Sioux Center, and the Dordt and NWC music offices.

Next Sunday, April 28

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

Advance Notices:

FFA Plant Open House at Unity Christian High School on April 27 (9:00 a.m.-noon), May 10 (4:00-6:00 p.m.) and May 11 (9:00 a.m.-noon) at our greenhouses. Come and walk through our greenhouses, pick up some plants to use in your garden (for a donation toward the FFA program at Unity), and enjoy seeing the work of our students.

"Loving my Immigrant Neighbor: a Conversation with Storm Lake Police Chief Mark Prosser" Join us as we learn how Storm Lake has grown to embrace it's ever-growing immigrant population and thrive together as a diverse community, and dream about how Orange City can also do so. Tuesday, April 30, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Trinity Reformed Church, Childcare available

Come celebrate with us! Luverne Christian Reformed Church is celebrating 75 years of God's faithfulness on May 5, 2019. Special service and celebration starting at 9:30 a.m. at the church, 605 N. Estey, Luverne, MN 56156.

The Bible League international Spring Salad Luncheon is scheduled for Monday, May 6, 2019 at 11:30 at the Alton Reformed Church at 305 8th St, Alton, IA Come and enjoy a fashion show featuring clothes from the Bible for Missions Thrift Center. John Scafe, the national director of Bibles for Missions Thrift centers will also be at the luncheon. You are asked to bring a salad for every two people to share. Drinks will be provided.

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