

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES
COMMUNITY BULLETIN
May 26, 2019

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

On this Memorial Day weekend, take time to remember those who gave their lives fighting for the freedoms we have, thank those who have served, and praise God for the dedication and commitment that has been made. Pray also for the men and women who continue to fight for those freedoms and pray God will keep them safe.

Thursday is Ascension Day, where we celebrate Christ's Ascension to heaven. As you pray this week, approach the throne of grace with confidence knowing that Christ is interceding for you at the Father's right hand. As Hebrews 4:14-16 reminds us, "*Since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin. Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.*"

Please pray for our farmers as they patiently wait for dry weather so they can continue and finish planting for the year. Pray God will bring some dry weather in the very near future.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The OCCS building will be locked and all offices closed on Wednesday, May 29 due to no power with the construction taking place at OCCS.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 26

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

8:30 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. *Groundwork – Encouragement for a Growing Faith* - Just as a teacher encourages a student or a mentor encourages a mentee, the Apostle Paul encourages the Thessalonians in their growing faith. Join *Groundwork* as we study 2 Thessalonians 1 so Paul's praises, teaching, and reminders strengthen our growing faith too. Tune in to KDCR 88.5 or listen online anytime at www.GroundworkOnline.com

Monday, May 27

9:30 a.m. Pressman-Kosters Post 329 will hold Memorial Day services at Westlawn Cemetery. In case of rain it will be held at First Reformed Church in Orange City. The speaker this year is Pastor Brian Keepers of Trinity Reformed Church in Orange City. Some seating is available, but feel free to bring your own chairs.

Next Sunday, June 2

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:

You are invited to a monthly community prayer meeting with a global focus on Wednesday, June 5, from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at First Reformed Church in Sioux Center (160 10th St SE, enter through the NE doors). We will join together as churches in Sioux County to pray with a different global and local focus at each meeting. The global focus of June's meeting will be Guatemala and the local focus will be the Hope food pantry. Future gatherings will be on the 1st Wednesday of each month and will be hosted and led by members of various local churches.

Hope Haven will be holding its Annual Fishing Benefit at Lake Francis Case, Ft. Randall Dam on Friday, June 7, 2019, rain or shine. Registration fee is \$60 which includes evening meal, entry gift, and eligibility for weigh-in prize categories. All proceeds will benefit Hope Haven. Registration is due by June 6.

For more information and to register, visit www.hopehaven.org or call Brenda at 712.476.3116. Come enjoy a day of food, friends, fellowship, and fishing!

Motorcyclists: You are invited to participate in a 200-mile round-trip motorcycle ride to West Bend, IA, to see The Grotto on Saturday, June 8, leaving the south Calvary CRC parking lot at 8:30 a.m. with return to Orange City late afternoon. In order to facilitate planning, please RSVP to Bev Walhof, 712-395-0964, via phone call or text by Monday, June 3. Rain cancels.

Hull Habitat Home Dedication - Please join us on Saturday, June 8, 11:30 am to give thanks to God and ask for His blessing on this home and the Van Lo family. The home is located at 1713 6th St. in Hull. Refreshments will follow a short program, and everyone is welcome!

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