

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES
COMMUNITY BULLETIN
September 13, 2020

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

As school has been in session for a few weeks now, thank the Lord that for the most part, we have been able to remain in school and in person. Pray for those who, because of COVID-19, continue to learn via on-line and pray that soon all of our students can be together again.

Pray for students who might still be struggling to find their place. Pray that good friends will come, that the anxieties will subside and that this will be a joyful school year.

Since 1944, Bethany Christian Services has worked to bring and keep families together through their services in many countries. These services include sponsorship, foster care, family support and adoption. Pray that the work of Bethany Christian Services will continue to promote families and life in our community.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Saucijsjes in September! You saw that right...you can get OCCS saucijsjes in September! We know you are still craving those Tulip Festival treats that we missed this spring. OCCS will be making frozen pig in the blankets for you to purchase by the dozen. The cost is \$15.00 per dozen due at pickup. A good Dutch treat and supporting OCCS at the same time! Orders are due by noon on September 15. Check the OCCS website for the order form or fill out a form by the office at OCCS. Thanks for your support.

The Orange City Cadets are looking for cadet shirts. If you have one please call George at 712-441-4015 or Brandon 712-395-1321.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 13

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

8:30 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. Groundwork – *A Holy God Lives Among Us* - Our Holy God chooses to live in our midst, among unholy people. Join us as we study Leviticus 1:1-2, Leviticus 10:1-7, Hebrews 10:19-25, and Mark 7:1-5, 14-23 to discover what this Old Testament book teaches us about living well in the presence of a holy God. Tune in to KDCR 88.5 or listen online anytime at www.GroundworkOnline.com

Wednesday, September 16

9:30 a.m. Coffee Break Kick-Off at Calvary CRC. Come for a devotional morning along with coffee and a light snack. Child care will be provided.

Friday, September 18

3:00 p.m. The annual Dordt University Honors Recital will take place on Friday, September 18, at 3:00 p.m., in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Performers in the honors recital have all received named music scholarships made possible by Dordt University donors. All are welcome to a reception honoring the performers just outside the auditorium following the recital. Masks are required for all recital attendees and seating will be socially distanced. Dordt University continues to monitor how Covid-19 affects our campus and community. Please visit dordt.edu/updates on the day of the event to see if there are any restrictions on in-person attendance.

5:00 p.m. The Cadets will have their first father/son camp out at Sandy Hollow leaving Calvary around 5:00. Stay the night or just come for a burger. If you have questions, please contact George at 712-441-4015 or Brandon at 712-395-1321.

Next Sunday, September 20

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

12:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. The Stand – One day. One Location. One Jesus. A local one day event for all people - all ages, all backgrounds, all cultures - to gather together and encounter the love of Jesus through a day filled with worship, prayer, teaching and testimony. Come just as you are to the Sioux Center Football Stadium on 9.20.20 from 12 noon to 9pm! Come and go as your schedule allows or plan to stay for the entire day. There will be no charge to enter the event. Join us as we simply celebrate Jesus! For more information visit www.thestandnwia.com or find us on Facebook and Instagram.

Advance Notices:

From OCCS: The Fall Society Meeting for Orange City Christian School will be held on Monday, September 21 at 7:00 p.m. Election of new board members will take place. Absentee ballots will be accepted for board nominees. Here are the board nominees: Partner Society Nominees are Brad Cleveringa, Christy Hanson, and Steve Vis; At-Large Nominees are Dan Foreman, Kristin Van De Griend, and Nate Zuiderveen. The Monica Board will also be presenting a proposed new name, new mission and vision, and updated bylaws and constitution that have been approved by both the Monica board and the OCCS board. Absentee ballots will NOT be accepted on the Monica changes. The discussion and presentation is so important, the board requests only those present be allowed to vote.

Retirement celebration! At the end of last school year, we had three wonderful, long-term teachers retire from OCCS. Because of the school shut down, we were not able to honor them the way we would have liked. We would like to take time during the society meeting to honor them. Then we invite you outside (weather permitting) after the meeting (about 7:45) to enjoy a cookie and congratulate them from a safe distance. *Michele Boer* - has served OCCS for 33 years, teaching 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grades most recently as a third grade teacher *Linda Juhl* - has served OCCS for 30 years, all of them in second grade *Jackie De Groot* - has served OCCS for 28 years, teaching 4th grade and most recently as a resource teacher Please join us as we honor them!

Justice For All is changing things up this year! You're invited to join us at the combined Fall Banquet & Annual Meeting/Fall Auction on Thursday evening, October 1, Dinner at 6:00 p.m. at the Parkview Events Center of Rock Valley, IA. Due to COVID, we will not be inviting a ministry partner to travel this year, but you will hear from many of them virtually! There will be a short business meeting. The Fall Auction will be looking a bit different this year, as much of it will be online. There will be a Silent Auction at the event and a complete list of online items will also be available. Reservations for the meal are necessary and can be made by calling 712-476-2804 or emailing joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org. Please join us as we celebrate JFA ministry, both past and future, as well as support JFA ministry through the auction! An offering will be taken for JFA ministry.

Center for Financial Education wants you to join CFE for an evening of fun on the water! Bring your kids, friends and/or co-workers. The 1st Fishing event for CFE is set for September 11, 2020 at the Big Sioux Recreation Area (84 West 10th Street, Hawarden, IA 51023). 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Canoes will be available, bring your own (small) boat or just fish from shore! Bring poles if you have them, and we will supply the bait. (Anyone over 16 wishing to fish should secure an Iowa fishing license prior to the event.) Admission is free. Bait, meal, and a drawing for prizes will be provided. There will be an option to give through a free will offering and a Raffle for a night's stay at Grand Falls Casino, \$50 gift certificate to the Barrel House and 4 passes to the Washington Pavilion. All proceeds will be used to help people in NW Iowa who are stressed and fearful about their finances, learn how to weather financial storms. CFE is a non-profit organization which offers a zero-cost, Biblical approach to money that can help anyone manage their finances better. For the little fishers, CFE will have a Bounce House. At the conclusion of the event, we will be serving a hotdog meal and s'mores. Come on down and have some fun, see how many different fish we can catch. RSVP by calling 712-722-3527 or email info@cfeministries.org, or you can also RSVP online at cfeministries.org.

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