

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES
COMMUNITY BULLETIN
March 1, 2026

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

Pray for the Lord to provide moisture for our dry land. Pray for peace in Mexico following unrest recently.

Give thanks for college students who will be traveling for spring break. Pray for them to be safe and wise. Pray especially for SSP (Northwestern) and PLIA (Dordt), the service trips which many of our students take to other parts of the world.

Pray for representatives from Heartland Classis Churches who will be meeting for Classis at First CRC of Hospers on Saturday, March 7. Ask the Lord to renew a vision for the great commission, providing wisdom and encouragement to each delegate.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Groundwork - Jesus: Condemned by Religious Leaders and Denied by Peter - Moving through the Stations of the Cross brings us to witness Jesus before the Sanhedrin, where he is condemned, and to the courtyard when Peter denies him. Join Groundwork as we study Luke 22:66-71 and Matthew 26:69-75 to follow our Savior this Lent, discover comfort for our own fears and failures, and reflect on the profound meaning of Jesus experience. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com.

From Legacy Thrift (formally known as Bibles for Missions): We are excited to partner with local churches to give back to those in need right here in our own community. Encourage your church leaders to register your church online to participate in the Corners of Your Field Program. Once registered, simply bring your gently used household items to Legacy Thrift and mention the church you attend. Legacy Thrift then converts your donations into gift cards that your church can share directly with individuals and families who could use a helping hand. Together, we can make a meaningful and lasting difference. View our donation guidelines at: legacythrift.org/donate

Rehoboth Christian High School band students and chaperones are seeking host families in the Sioux Center area to stay with the night of Friday, March 27. If you or someone you know might be available to host please reach out to the tour coordinator Laura Blystra for more details. She can be reached at lblystra@rcsnm.org or 505-726-9603.

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Turkey & the Seven Churches of Revelation (Oct 9-19, 2026): Visit ancient sites connected with Paul's First, Second, and Third Missionary Journeys as well as the seven churches to whom John wrote the Book of Revelation. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational biblical tour. Contact Dr. Weima at [616-328-3110](tel:616-328-3110) or weimje@calvinseminary.edu.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tuesday, March 3

7:00 p.m. NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) will meet at the Sioux Center Public Library. An Educational Program from 7 to 7:45 pm is open to anyone who is interested in the subject. From 7:45 to 8:45, individuals affected by mental health conditions, and their family/friends will meet separately for a time of mutual support. For information, call Shirley at 712-574-6758 or Nate at 402-916-0008 or natehuyser93@gmail.com.

Wednesday, March 4

9:30 a.m. Coffee Break will meet at Calvary CRC – Lesson 8 – *Mark*

6:00 p.m. GEMS/Cadet Ice Skating Party will be held at the All Seasons Center in Sioux Center from 6-8 p.m. Please note change of date from original schedule.

Saturday, March 7

6:00 p.m. MIK+ Post High Young Single Adults: It's our 2nd Annual Bowling Night! Meet at 6pm at the Luverne MN Bowling Alley. We have 4 lanes reserved and plan to bowl 2 games. The cost is \$4/game + \$2 for rental shoes. Afterwards we are planning on walking over to the Pizza Ranch together...buffet is \$16/person. If you have the night open, come join us and check out what MIK+ is all about. Please RSVP to Lee De Groot at 712-470-4244 by Wednesday, March 4. Hope to see you there and as always....bring a friend!

Sunday, March 8

5:00 p.m. Combined Prayer Day Worship Service at Immanuel CRC. Rev. Cody Statema will preach on Colossians 4:2-4 "Devoted to Prayer". An offering for the Sack Pack Program will be received.

Advanced Notices:

The Rehoboth Christian High School band invites you to attend their concerts while they are touring in the local area.

March 26: Shalom CRC-Sioux Falls, SD 5:00-6:30 p.m. Navajo Taco Meal, 7:00 p.m. Concert

March 27: Dordt University, BJ Haan Auditorium 7:00 p.m. Concert

March 28: Calvary CRC-Orange City, IA 5:00-6:30 p.m. Navajo Taco Meal, 7:00 p.m. Concert

March 29: Trinity CRC-Rock Valley, IA 9:30 a.m. Service Participation

March 29: Luverne CRC-Luverne, MN 6:30 p.m. Concert

All concerts are free to attend with a free-will offering taken. For more information visit

<https://www.rcsnm.org/admissions/schools/finearts.cfm> or email Laura Blystra at lblystra@rcsnm.org.

Love INC Sioux County invites the community to our *Trivia Fundraising Night* on March 28th at the Parkview Event Center in Rock Valley. Doors will open at 5 p.m. and food will be served starting at 5:30 pm. Very Good Trivia will supply our entertainment so come with your knowledge skills sharpened! Tickets to this event can be purchased for \$50 a piece or get a team together and reserve a table of 8 for \$360 by calling the Love INC office at (712) 476-5990 or online at www.loveincsiouxcounty.org. Deadline to purchase tickets is March 24.

Justice for All invites you to attend the Get to Know JFA Event on March 28, 2026 at the Terrace View Event Center, Sioux Center, IA - 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. JFA Ministry programs (Service & Learning, Sharing & Caring, and Transitional Housing) will be presented and then get ready for some fun!! JFA has invited Christian comedian and illusionist Joshua Jordan back again for a great time of laughs and magic! Entertainment for All ages! The catered meal will feature flavors and dishes inspired by the cultures and communities of our ministry partners. Reservations can be made by calling 712-476-2804 or emailing joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org. (\$75/ticket or \$500 for a table of 8) Kids welcome to join us as we celebrate JFA ministry and enjoy a fun evening!!

The Institute for Reformed Biblical Counseling (IRBC) will be hosting the Reformed Biblical Counseling Conference, Counsel the Word, happening at Dordt University in Sioux Center, Iowa on April 17-18 (Friday evening and Saturday morning). This conference is free of charge, and no registration is required. Our speakers will include IRBC's new executive director, Dr. Jared Poulton, and Director Emeritus and Shepherd's Way Director, Dr. Jeff Doll. Join us for a weekend of teaching that explores how God calls and equips his church to counsel His Word. Learn more at the following website:

<https://reformedcounseling.org/event/counsel-the-word-2026>

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