ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES COMMUNITY BULLETIN

October 30, 2022

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

Pray for Abraham, a young adult whom Resonate missionary James Lee is discipling in Mexico. Abraham has a servant heart, said James, and is passionate about sharing the gospel with friends. Ask the Holy Spirit to work in and through Abraham.

Ask God's grace for those in our churches who are struggling to meet the daily challenges of life. Pray that God's Spirit would restore faith, hope, and love with a new trust in Christ.

Let us also rejoice in God's sovereign grace revealed to us through Christ, clarified in Scripture, and re-emphasized at the reformation. As our cluster of Orange City CRC's gather to celebrate this weekend, pray for our members to be encouraged. Pray for us also to leave as witnesses to God's coming kingdom in our neighborhoods, jobs, marriages, and families.

Living Water Community Church Family Prayer Requests:

Please keep Karen Brown in your prayers. She has been dealing with blood clots in her lungs. Please pray she gets the treatment she needs to help her heal.

Please pray for comfort and healing for the Anderson family due to the recent passing of their granddaughter. Pray that they will feel the presence of God during this difficult time.

First CRC Family Prayer Requests: (First CRC Prayer Line 737-3119)

Praise God for the successful knee replacement surgery Bev Snieder had on Tuesday. Please pray for a good recovery.

<u>Calvary CRC Family Prayer Requests:</u> (Calvary CRC Prayer Line 737-3959)

We extend our Christian sympathies to Phyllis De Kock along with the family and friends of Wes De Kock. Wes passed from this life on Saturday, October 22. May the grace of the gospel comfort all God's people who have experienced loss.

Joan Bonnema returned from the hospital to her home on Friday, October 21. Give thanks for healing mercies and pray for sustaining grace.

Immanuel CRC Family Prayer Requests:

Chad Noteboom remains at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester. He is making slow progress, and his family asks that we continue to pray for Chad and his medical team.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Keep denominational ministries in prayer. Call the toll-free number: 1-888-CRC-PRAY (272-7729). Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts may be brought to New Life Church in Sioux Center or First Reformed Church in Rock Rapids November 14-20. To learn more about the OCC ministry and the Gospel impact it is having on children, families, and communities worldwide, visit samaritanspurse.org/occ. Contact Loralie Wiese at 712-441-2371 for additional information, materials, and collection week drop-off details.

Thanksgiving Day CommUNITY Meal is back!

- *After a 3-year hiatus, the Thanksgiving Day CommUNITY Meal is making a comeback! This free meal will again be held at Living Water Community Church, serving from 11:30-1:00 p.m. This meal is made possible through generous donations from our local businesses, churches, families, and individuals.
- *We need YOU to work at the event (1+ hour shifts). If you are willing to cook a turkey, or deliver the meals that day, those are options too!
- *We need YOU to provide pies (pumpkin or fruit only), as well as turkeys, and monetary donations (make out to Living Water, mark for Thanksgiving Meal). There is also the list of miscellaneous needed food items ready to be emailed to you to pick from! Thank you for your help!
- *To help in any way, contact Ronda Noteboom

(call/text 712-548-3755 or email: rondajn@hotmail.com)

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sunday, October 30

6:00 p.m. Combined Reformation Worship Service at First CRC. Rev. Todd Zuidema will bring the message, *Your Kingdom Come*, based on 2 Chronicles 7:13-16. An offering for Samaritan's Purse will be received.

Tuesday, November 1

7:00 p.m. The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9 p.m. Video: Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Exercises. Individuals and family members affected by mental illness are welcome. For information call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

Wednesday, November 2

9:30 a.m. Coffee Break will meet at Calvary CRC – Revelation, Lesson 6

Thursday, November 3

7:00 p.m. Area Men's Event – *It All Starts with You* – Speaker: Kris Korver, Northwestern College Men's Basketball Coach. The event is sponsored by Mendistry and area churches, and will be held at the Triple Box (4758 Ironwood Ave, Orange City). Come for a night of encouragement, powerful worship, hear about the Mendistry ministry and be challenged by a speaker to walk closer with God.

Advance Notices:

Habitat for Humanity Stud Finder Family Fun Night - Join Siouxland Habitat for Humanity on Monday, November 7 from 4:30-6:00pm at 111 Sunrise Dr. in Hospers and enjoy a free-will donation meal, kid's activity, and special time of Prayer & Thanksgiving at 5:30pm! You'll be able to meet the Barranco family, tour the home under construction and view the artistic talents of everyone that sponsored and decorated a stud. We hope to see you there!

Hospers Christian Reformed Church invites you to their annual election night soup & pie supper to be held on Tuesday, Nov 8 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the church. Come & enjoy homemade soup, sandwiches and pie! Carryout/Drive-through orders will again be available. Please enter on the southeast alleyway of the church for this option. A free will donation will be taken for the Christian Education Unit.

Unity Christian High School would like to invite the public to their Veterans Day Service on November 10 at the Unity Christian Knight Center. Our service will begin at 10 that morning. We hope to see you there.

Mannenkoor, Jazz Band, a One Act and improvisations by The Cast-that is a list that will not disappoint! On November 10, at 7:00 p.m., several fine arts groups from Unity Christian will be combining their gifts for Combo Night. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$5.00. We hope you can join us for this night of entertainment in the Knight Center.

Dordt University student Aaron Galloway will present a junior cello recital at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 12, in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. A highlight of the recital is Brahms's beautiful *Sonata for Piano and Cello in E minor, op. 38*. Other composers featured in the recital are Robert Schumann, James Stephenson, Mark Summer, and Georg Matthias Monn. All are welcome to a reception following the recital.

Register for a high school experience of a life time! Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) is accepting applications for the upcoming weekend at the First Reformed Church in Hull, Iowa. TEC is an interdenominational three day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. The next TEC is November 18-20, 2022 If you would like to learn more about TEC or register, please visit www.TriStateTEC.org or email TriStateTEC@gmail.com. The cost is \$50 and includes a t-shirt & other special gifts. Scholarships are available upon request.

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