

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES
COMMUNITY BULLETIN
November 13, 2022

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

As new leaders are placed in positions for the upcoming year, let's surround them with prayer! We may agree with some and may disagree with some, but we hold fast to the truth that God is sovereign and all things are in His hands. We are called to pray for all those in authority and to honor our leaders by asking God to bless them in all they do and decide. In our conversations with the King of kings and the Lord of lords, let's ask for God's will to be done!

Calvary CRC Family Prayer Requests: (Calvary CRC Prayer Line 737-3959)

Give thanks with Marcia Saeger that a vein surgery on her leg went well on Wednesday. Pray that she would heal well without blood clots.

Janelle Phinney has been undergoing tests as doctors suspect breast cancer. Please pray for Janelle and her family as she goes in for a biopsy in Sioux Falls on Monday, November 14.

We rejoice with Mike and Allie Haight at the birth of a new baby girl, Ella Joy Haight on Sunday October 30. We praise the Lord for his powerful miracles still performed among us.

Immanuel CRC Family Prayer Requests:

Marge Visser met our Lord and Savior on Wednesday. Please pray for her family. We are thankful that she is now in glory with no more pain and suffering.

Living Water Community Church Family Prayer Requests:

Please lift up in prayer those who are mourning the loss of Marge Visser, who passed away on Wednesday, November 9. Marge was a grandmother to the Paul Visser family, Taylor Visser family and Tim Droog who attend Living Water.

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

Nothing to report.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Groundwork - Understanding God's Judgement - Judgment and consequences can feel unfair and mean. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Ezekiel 14 and 22 to better understand God's judgment: where it comes from, what it means, why it's necessary, and why it's also a source of grace. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com

Gift of Grain "...through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." II Corinthians 9:11b
One Body One Hope is accepting donations of corn through all local elevators. We have a buyer who will purchase all grain donations at a premium price to support agricultural development in Liberia. Your gift of grain will sustain Liberian families and help plant churches and schools in unreached communities in Liberia. For more information contact Karl Kaemingk 712-395-8987 or Karl.kaemingk@gmail.com.

As we look ahead to "Giving Tuesday" following Thanksgiving, we are asking for you to prayerfully consider giving towards our Phase 23 building addition. OCCS is excited to announce that Iowa State Bank is partnering with us for a \$50,000 match towards our Phase 23 building project during the week of Nov 28-Dec 3. Whether you prefer one time gifts or pledging a certain amount over the next 3-5 years, consider this week for your financial support of OCCS knowing your gift will double thanks to this generous partnership within our community. If you have questions regarding the project or setting up donations, please contact Travis De Jong, Development Director (tdejong@occhristian.pvt.k12.ia.us) or stop in the school office.

The 59th annual Community Chest Fund Drive has begun and ends on November 30. Your contribution is greatly appreciated and can be made by mail in the envelope provided with your utility bill, can be dropped off at one of the banks or city office, or can be made on-line at www.facebook.com/orangecitycommunitychest.”

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, November 16

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

Thursday, November 17

7:00 p.m. Join us for a dessert social! Have you heard of our tuition assistance program called NICSTO? Please join Orange City Christian for a dessert social to gain more information on what NICSTO is and how it can benefit you but also the students at Orange City Christian. We would love for you to join us for some dessert and special music from some of our students and former students. We will also be giving a brief presentation of our Project Engage: Phase 23. If you are interested in joining us, please email Travis De Jong at tdejong@occhristian.pvt.k12.ia.us or by calling the office at 712-737-2274. Please let us know by Wednesday, November 16 so we can plan accordingly!

Friday, November 18

7:30 p.m. Dordt University seniors Emma DeVries, piano, and Julia Holleman, voice, will present a joint recital in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Highlights of the recital include an Argentinian-style dance composed by Carlos Guastavino; a double-piano duet featuring Laurel Evertse of Hull, Iowa; and *Der Hirt auf dem Felsen* (“The Shepherd on the Rock”) by Schubert, featuring clarinetist Emma Lamfers, a 2021 Dordt alumna of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. All are welcome to a reception following the recital.

Saturday, November 19

7:30 p.m. Dordt University student Isabel Munson will present a junior organ recital in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Highlights of the recital include Bach’s fantastical *Prelude and Fugue in A Minor*, the delicate steps of Hampton’s *At the Ballet*, and the earth-shaking notes of Messiaen’s *Apparition de l’église éternelle*. All are welcome to a reception following the recital.

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