COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET April 28, 2024

Please turn in announcements by 10:30 on Wednesday mornings to the office of the First Christian Reformed Church: office@firstcrc.com or 712-722-0717.

Thursday, May 2: Katelyn's Fund May Support Meeting for Foster Care and Adoption will be held at 7:00pm in the Fireside Room at Centerpoint Church in Sioux Center. May is National Foster Care Awareness month, and we are honored to have Niki Kredit, Sheryl Winterfeld, and Kelsi Ebel come and talk about the trials and triumphs in their fostering journeys. We would love for you to join us!

Friday, May 3: The Choral Ensembles Spring Concert at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium will feature four of the Dordt Choral Ensembles: Bella Voce (women's chorus), Canons of Dordt (men's chorus), Chorale, and Concert Choir. Repertoire will draw from a wide range of styles and centuries. The concert and a PDF program will also be available on livestream at https://www.dordt.edu/live-events.

Saturday, May 4: Join the Dordt University Music Department at 7:00pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium for a concert by the Chamber Orchestra and Campus-Community Band. The Campus-Community Band will open with works from a diverse cross section of old and new wind band works. The Chamber Orchestra will then perform one of the most highly respected works from American composer Aaron Copland titled *Appalachian Spring*. Following this concert, the Wind Symphony will present their lowa Bandmasters Association Preview Concert at 8:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. This year, the Dordt University Wind Symphony was selected by blind peer review to perform as the invited college wind band for the 2024 conference. This evening's concert will be all the music they will perform on May 11 in Des Moines, to include a featured solo by Professor Pam De Haan on James Stephenson's newly written *Concerto for Saxophone and Wind Ensemble*. We hope you can join us for both concerts to celebrate the achievements of all the students participating in instrumental music at Dordt! The concerts will also be available on livestream at https://www.dordt.edu/live-events.

Advance Announcements

Monday, May 6: Plan to attend Bible League's Spring Salad Luncheon with your friends at Ireton CRC (301 Maple Street, Ireton, IA). Please bring one salad for every four ladies in your group. The luncheon begins at 11:30am; the featured speaker is Lindsay Millard of Joie Floral Design in Orange City. She is a Master Gardener and will share ideas for growing your garden/plants. A freewill donation will be received for Bible League International; every \$5 raised puts a Bible in the hands of someone thirsty for God's Word!

Tuesday, May 7: Sioux Center Christian School invites you to our Spring Choral Concert at 7:00pm in Centerpoint Church. This concert will feature our 5th, 6th, and 7th/8th choirs who will be singing a wide variety of styles, including swing music, music in the Swahili language, a song inspired by traditional Irish and English blessings, a song featuring a well-known Bible story, and more. The concert will conclude with a mass choral piece sung by the 5th-8th graders. A freewill offering will be received for our music department.

Wednesday, May 8 to Wednesday, May 15: Sioux Center Christian School's first ART SHOWCASE will be at the Centre Mall. All SCCS Kindergarten through 8th grade students will have one piece of art on display. God designed all of us to be creators and this showcase is a great opportunity to celebrate the creative work our students accomplished this year and foster joyful connections between artist and audience.

Friday, May 10 and Saturday, May 11: FFA Plant Greenhouse Mother's Day Sale at Unity Christian High School is on Friday, May 10 from 3:45-6:00pm and Saturday, May 11, 9:00am-1:00pm. Freewill offering goes towards our FFA Program. Thank you for your support!

Requested Announcements

Spring Drive at Western Christian—We ask that you prayerfully consider contributing to the Western Christian Spring Drive. Information was given in the church mailboxes, the Spring Western Witness, and can be found on Western's new and improved "Giving Page" of our website: www.westernchristianhs.com. Please contact Brad Vis - brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or 605-359-5704 if you have any questions. Thanks for your ongoing support!