COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET April 21, 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.

Friday, April 26 and Saturday, April 27: The FFA Plant Early Bird Open Greenhouse at Unity Christian High School is April 26 from 3:45-6:00pm and Saturday, April 27 from 9:00am-1:00pm. The Mother's Day Sale is Friday, May 10 from 3:45-6:00pm and Saturday, May 11, 9:00am-1:00pm. Come and walk through our greenhouses, pick up some plants to use in your garden and enjoy seeing the work of our students! Freewill offering goes towards our FFA Program. Thank you for your support!

Friday, April 26: The Dordt University Music Department will present a Small Ensembles Recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The recital will feature Dordt University's Saxophone Ensemble and Clarinet Choir. The Saxophone Ensemble will perform On a Hymnsong of Philip Bliss; a Fanfare and variations on the Chorale melody Durch Adams Fall by David Maslanka; and an arrangement of a movement from Verdi's String Quartet in E Minor. The Clarinet Choir will perform works by Mendelssohn, Grainger, Aranda, Wiberny, and Debussy.

Saturday, April 27: The Dordt University Music Department will present a 4th Avenue Jazz concert at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Featured at the concert will be the 4th Avenue Singers and 4th Avenue Band. Come for a relaxed evening of big band standards, pop tune covers, and newer works. The concert will also be available on livestream at www.dordt.edu/livestream.

Saturday, April 27: MOZART REQUIEM - The Sioux County Oratorio Chorus, joined by Northwestern College's A Cappella Choir, will be presenting Mozart's Requiem—one of the most powerful and beloved choral works of all time! Under the direction of Dr. Thomas Holm, and featuring orchestra and professional soloists, the concert will be presented at 7:30pm in Christ Chapel at Northwestern College. Tickets for adults are \$15 in advance/\$20 at the door and \$5 for students. Advance tickets can be purchased at Northwestern's music office in Orange City, Dordt's music office in Sioux Center, Evie's Hallmark in Sioux Center, and Windmill Park Jewelers in Orange City.

Advance Announcements

Thursday, May 2: Katelyn's Fund May Support Meeting for Foster Care and Adoption will be held at 7:00 pm 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 7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 3, 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. Bella Voce is conducted by Dr. Carrie Groenewold, Canons of Dordt by Tim Van Voorst, and Chorale and Concert Choir by Dr. Ryan Smit. 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 7:00 p.m. 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 Iowa Bandmasters Association Preview Concert at 8:30 p.m. 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 of 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 of these concerts to celebrate the achievements of all of the students participating in instrumental music at Dordt! The concerts will also be available on livestream at https://www.dordt.edu/live-events.