

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET

April 27, 2025

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.

Monday, April 28: The Dordt Music Department invites you to attend the Small Ensembles Concert in the B.J. Haan Auditorium at 7:30pm. The concert will include the percussion ensemble, brass ensemble, clarinet quartet, and the saxophone ensemble. The small ensembles concert gives students and instructors the opportunity to play together in a wide variety of music from such composers as Bach, Verdi, Solomon, and Daiki Kato. The piece "Celebration II" will feature 5 players performing on 1 marimba. The brass ensemble will perform a set of variations on the children's tune "London Bridge is Falling Down" by Alfred Reed. Also featured will be a beautiful arrangement of "Great is Thy Faithfulness" arranged by Dordt alum Sarah Goetsch, in remembrance of her grandmother. Livestream available at <https://www.dordt.edu/live-events>

Thursday, May 1: The Dordt Music Department invites you to join us for the final concert by the Dordt Instrumental Ensembles at 7pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The concert will feature the Campus-Community Band, Chamber Orchestra, and Wind Symphony. Music to be performed will range from older classics to modern works by 21st century composers. The concert will culminate with the Wind Symphony presenting the monumental work 'Symphony No. 7' by David Maslanka. We hope you can join us live to witness the great work of our Dordt student musicians over the course of the 24-25 academic year. Livestream available at <https://www.dordt.edu/live-events>

Friday, May 2: ATLAS/CFE Dinner and Auction Fundraiser – Come to our annual dinner and auction at New Life Church. Freewill donation supper begins at 5:30pm, with the auction at 6:30pm. To donate an item or experience for the auction, you may drop off at ATLAS/CFE or go to www.atlasofsiouxcenter.org to find donation forms.

Friday, May 2: The Choral Ensembles Spring Concert at 7:00pm 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 feature a wide variety of choral music including classic settings from Mendelssohn, Pablo Casals, and Randall Thompson; modern arrangements of psalms, folk songs, and pop tunes; and new 21st century works. Bella Voce is conducted by Dr. Carrie Groenewold, Canons of Dordt by Tim Van Voorst, and Chorale and Concert Choir by Dr. Ryan Smit. Livestream available at <https://www.dordt.edu/live-events>

Saturday, May 3: If you will be attending the 2025 Live Healthy Iowa Track Meet at 3pm at Sioux Center's Open Space Park, you are welcome to support the concession stand by First CRC for their Christian Education fund.

Advance Announcements

Monday, May 5: Ladies! Plan to attend Bible League's Spring Salad Luncheon with your friends at Rock Valley First CRC (1401 16th St., Rock Valley, IA). Please bring one salad for every four ladies in your group. The luncheon begins at 11:30am; featured speaker is Gayle Walhof who will tell of her 4-year journey in publishing her book "*Songs of Naamah – A Novel of King David's Harem*". Updates from BLI will be given, and a freewill donation will be received. Join us for this FUN event!

Wednesday, May 14: First CRC's Christian Education Committee will be serving concessions as a fundraiser at the SCCS' Trailblazer Track Meet at Sioux Center's outdoor track from 10:30am to 6pm.

Tuesday, May 20: You are invited to join with the Class of 2025 at Western Christian's Graduation Ceremony at 7pm at the Western Christian gymnasium. Let's come together to give thanks for God's faithfulness and to encourage these young men and women as they prepare to take their next steps!

Requested Announcements

Unity Christian High School has several hourly positions available for the 2025-2026 school year. We are seeking applications for a paraprofessional, librarian/study hall monitor, kitchen computer team member, part-time custodian, and bus route driver. To learn more, please visit our website at <http://unitychristian.net/employment>.

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Greece (October 13 - 24, 2025): Travel by motor coach (6 days) and cruise ship (4 days) to sites connected with Paul's second and third missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu.

Spring Drive - Have you had a chance to consider a gift to the Western Christian Spring Drive? We're so grateful for the many ways our school community supports the mission of Western Christian. Spring Drive information was shared in church mailboxes, included in the recent Western Witness, and is also available on our website at www.westernchristianhs.com. If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to reach out to Brad Vis at brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or 605-359-5704. Thank you for prayerfully considering how you might partner with us to equip students to serve and glorify God in all areas of life.