

April 25, 2021

**IMMANUEL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
SCHOOL & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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*THE CHURCH OFFICE is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Please submit all bulletin and announcement materials by 9:00 a.m. Thursday morning.*

Sheldon Christian

- **Junior High Musical:** On Tuesday, April 27, the 6th-8th grade students will be putting on a fundraiser program involving several Disney songs starting at 7:00 p.m. The students have been working hard creating bucket drum songs, learning to play the ukulele, reenacting a few favorite scenes, and singing some Disney favorites. The instrumentalists will also be performing a few selections. Mark your calendars for an evening of popcorn, music, and lots of fun!

Sheldon High School

- **Sheldon High School Music Department** will present their spring band and choir concert on Tuesday, May 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium.

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- **Grandparent's Day:** The date for Grandparent's Day will be Tuesday, May 18. We invite all Grandparent's of Senior students to join us from 9:00-11:00 a.m. on that day.

Community Announcements

PARKING LOT PRAISE NIGHT: LET'S FILL THE NIGHT SKY WITH PRAISES! All are welcome to come and enjoy this night of praise in the parking lot, but we especially encourage ALL Jr High and High School Students to attend. It will be held Wednesday, May 5 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. on the Hull First CRC upper parking lot. Troy Kooima with Happy the Dog Ministry will lead us in a time of worship as we bring the 2020-2021 school year to a close.

We will also be inspired as we hear from Caitie Fagen (2020 Dordt University Graduate). Caitie also was a 4 year Dordt Student Leader for the MIK Youth Jr High Retreat and 1 year Leader for the MIK Youth Community High School Lock In. She now serves as Youth Director at First Reformed Church in Sheldon. When asked to give me a short bio this is what she said: "My testimony walks through the struggles I have had throughout my life and the many ways I have seen God's faithfulness in it all. I didn't have the greatest parental influences when I was in middle and high school and finding and accepting a relationship with Jesus helped me through it and ultimately lead me into full time youth ministry!"

We will also get to hear from Sean Baccam (WCHS Graduate) who has been very active in the lives of many of our local young people either through sporting events, his photography, and by serving as a long term Youth Leader at First CRC in Hull and as former President on the MIK Youth Board.

Both Caitie and Sean will share with us their journey through life~its struggles and God's faithfulness. **BRING YOUR OWN BLANKET/CHAIR AND RSVP to Lee De Groot at 712-470-4244 or degrootlee@gmail.com** **BY MAY 1ST.** Hope to see you/your group there!

In conjunction with the Sheldon High School FCA and the SCDC, Jon Gordon, best-selling author, is coming to Sheldon for two events that are open to the public. Jon Gordon's best-selling books and talks have inspired readers and audiences around the world. His principles have been put to the test by numerous Fortune 500 companies, professional and college sports teams, school districts, hospitals, and non-profits. He is the author of 23 books including 10 best sellers and 5 children's books.

- **Business Leadership Luncheon:** from 12:00-1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12 at the Crossroads Pavillion in coordination with the SCDC. Tickets are \$9 and need to be purchased prior to the event. Businesses interested in tickets are to contact the SCDC office for reservations (324-2813).
- **Evening Event featuring Jon Gordon** has been organized by the Sheldon High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes wil by Wednesday, May 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Crossroads Pavillion. A catered meal will be provided. John will talk about various topics based his Christian faith. Limited tickets are available at the Sheldon High School Office (324-2501); price is \$25.

Music Events at Dordt University:

Masks are required for all those attending and there will be a section designated for those who wish to maintain social distancing. Dordt University continues to monitor how COVID-19 affects our campus and community. Please visit dordt.edu/updates on the day of the event to see if there are any restrictions on in-person attendance or cancellations.

- **The Dordt University Music Department will present a 4th Avenue Jazz concert** on Tuesday, April 27 at 8:00 p.m. in the B.J. Haan Auditorium (note the later start time). Featured on the performance will be the 4th Avenue Singers and 4th Avenue Band. Come for a relaxed evening of big band standards, fresh jazz perspectives, featured solos, and a variety of collaborations between singers and instruments. The 4th Avenue Singers are directed by Ryan Smit, and the 4th Avenue Band is directed by Kevin Linder. This concert is open to the public and will not be ticketed. The concert will also be livestreamed at <https://vimeo.com/event/572686>.
- **The Dordt University Wind Symphony, Campus Band, and Chamber Orchestra** will present their final concert of the semester on Friday, April 30 at 7:30 p.m. The Campus Band will perform a consortium premiere of Jeff Herwig's *Nightmare*. This work was written for wind band and pre-recorded electronics and the DU Campus Band was one of only 10 commissioning ensembles. The Chamber Orchestra will highlight one of their own as bassist Cameron Steenhoek takes the stage to perform Henry Eccles's *Sonata for Bass and String Orchestra*. Finally the Wind Symphony will close the concert with David Maslanka's monumental *Symphony No. 4*. Joining the Wind Symphony for performance of the Maslanka is Dr. Carrie Groenewold, Associate Professor of Organ and Keyboard Studies at Dordt. All of the instrumental ensembles are under the direction of Dr. Onsby C. Rose, Associate Professor of Music and Director of Instrumental Ensembles. The concert is open to the public but will be ticketed due to reduced capacity. Please contact the Music Office at 712-722-6222 or anna.bartlett@dordt.edu to reserve tickets. The concert will also be livestreamed at <https://vimeo.com/event/572686>.
- **The Dordt University Choral Department** will present their final concert of the year on Saturday, May 1 at 7:30 p.m. This performance will include Bella Voce (women's chorus), Canons of Dordt (men's chorus), Chorale (85-voice mixed choir), and Concert Choir (53-voice advanced mixed choir). This concert will point the listener to the hope we have because of the sacrifice and resurrection of Christ. The repertoire will draw from a wide range of styles from the Renaissance to new works. Bella Voce is conducted by Dr. Carrie Groenewold; all other ensembles are conducted by Ryan Smit. The concert is open to the public but will be ticketed due to reduced capacity. Please contact the Music Office at 712-722-6222 or anna.bartlett@dordt.edu to reserve tickets. The concert will also be livestreamed at <https://vimeo.com/event/572686>.

Summer of Service Volunteer Program at Village Northwest Unlimited: For students in 6th-12th Grade from June 7-July 23 (tailored to your schedule) at VNU Campus in Sheldon, IA. Opportunities include, helping with sports, daily activity outings (field trips), arts/crafts, campus church services and spending time with individuals served. All volunteers will be closely supervised by their designated "volunteer mentor". You will receive valuable experience in working with persons with disabilities, exploring careers and potential job opportunities, high school service hours and stand out on college applications and scholarships. Download the Volunteer Application at www.villagenorthwest.org/volunteer or contact Brenna Haack for more information at brennah@villagenorthwest.org or 712-324-5416.

Events at Inspiration Hills:

- Summer Camp Registration is open! Registration for Summer Camp is open and at an all-time high! Be sure to log onto www.inspirationhills.org to see what camps are available. We have Wilderness, Lodge, CHIPS, Day Camp, Discovery, Guys Only, Girls Only, Saddle Up, Journey, Grand, & Family Camp! Camps are filling quickly so be sure to register today! Camp brochures are in the stand by the Connections table.
- Volunteer Work Day is Saturday, May 15. Bring your church group, youth group, senior class, friends or family and spend the day outside preparing the grounds for summer camp! Your volunteer time helps us get the camp cleaned up from winter and groomed and ready for summer. Many different projects available for all ages! Contact the office at 712-986-5193 or email ihills@inspirationhills.org to sign up today!
- Now Hiring for Summer Camp! We have many different positions open for Summer Camp 2021! Please visit the website at www.inspirationhills.org if you are interested in: Worship Coordinator, Wilderness Coordinator, Ropes Coordinator, Saddle Up Coordinator, Counselors, Campground & Weekend Host, Mowers, Lifeguards, Kitchen Cook & Helpers.