

December 4, 2022 - Hull CRC Community Bulletin

HOPE CRC FAMILY PRAISE AND PRAYER CONCERNS:

- We rejoice with Brennan Kooi as his recovery has gone very well and he prepares to go back to work.
- Glenn Hulstein had hip surgery on December 1. Pray for a good recovery.
- Donna Obbink, Diana Dykstra's mother, is recovering well and we are grateful for her recovery.
- Rachel Crawford, Carla Hulstein's sister from Des Moines, is home. We continue to pray that doctors can find effective care for her. We pray for her, for her husband, her sons, and the rest of her family.
- Jerry Van Roekel continues to recover at home. We praise God for the progress being made in his recovery.
- We continue to pray for Jackie Covey and her family as she continues with chemo. We rejoice with the good report from the MRI this week.
- Remember Verla Elgersma (Beth Mark's mother) as she deals with colon cancer. Please pray for comfort and that her pain may be controlled, and for the family for God's comfort and peace in this time.
- Pray for those who are struggling with an addiction, emotional hurt, depression, and mental illness.
- Pray for our families, our marriages, that God would strengthen them, guide them, and be honored in them.
- Pray for those who cannot join us in worship, that they would be comforted and feel close to the congregation.

FIRST CRC FAMILY PRAISE AND PRAYER CONCERNS:

- Orv Vant Hul has been diagnosed with stage 4 melanoma in his lungs. Likely it was spread from a previous melanoma spot he had removed from his foot. He will be having scans done this Friday and next week Monday to determine if the melanoma has spread to other places as well. Please pray that they do not discover more places that the cancer has spread to.
- Harlyn Bolkema's knee replacement surgery went well. Pray for healing and beneficial physical therapy.
- In addition to a daily chemo pill, Sharon Soodsma will be taking 16 radiation treatments in Sioux Falls beginning on December 1.
- Gaylene Bouma is receiving treatment in the Sioux Falls Hospital for an abscess. Plans are that she will be there over the weekend.
- The procedure scheduled for Maddox Kooima is scheduled for December 14. Pray that Carver and Maddox would stay healthy.
- Pray for Russ Vander Schaaf as he continues with cancer treatments. Pray for strength, energy, healing and relief from pain.
- Rick Van Hill continues with cancer treatment. Pray for minimal side effects and for a better appetite.
- Rog De Groot continues with his cancer treatments. Pray for God's healing mercies.
- Give thanks that Lavonne den Hoed is recovering well from the knee replacement surgery. Pray that physical therapy continues to go well and for healing.
- Pray for our shut ins: Aspen Heights: Joyce De Vries, Wilma Grevengoed, Theresa De Wit, Lou Krommendyk, Liz Schmith, Joyce Vande Griend and Goldie Veldman; Sheldon Care Center: Julianne Kats, Belle Draayer; Christian Retirement Home: Johanna Van Surksun; Royale Meadows: Darlene Kroese; Whispering Heights: Pete Soodsma; River View Ridge: Howard & Marilyn Grevengoed; Courage Homes in Sioux City: Ardelle Westra.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

WESTERN: We are in need of volunteers (male and female) to help with the Alumni Newsletter. We plan on working Wednesday, December 14, beginning at 6:30p and Thursday, December 15, at 9:00a here at Western. Please contact Mr. Brad Vis – brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or 605-359-5704 if you are available to help.

Hull Christian School would like to thank everyone who donated to the NICSTO (Northwest Iowa Christian School Tuition Organization) fund. We received our goal of \$143,594 to help parents next year with their tuition payments. We look forward to your continued partnership.

HCS will be receiving at least one Ukrainian student in the next few weeks. We would like to hire a paraprofessional to support the student while bridging the potential language barrier, as well as other needs that may arise. This will begin as a full-time position, but may change as the needs change.

Please consider attending the **Western Christian Foundation Luncheon** on Wednesday, December 7. This will begin at 12:30p in the Western Christian Event Center. Please RSVP by contacting Brad Vis at 605-359-5704 or brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com.

HCS: On December 15, the 2nd-5th grade students will be giving a Christmas program in the HCS gym at 7:00. "Jesus Light of the World" will include Christmas music from different parts of the world.

DORDT UNIVERSITY MUSIC DEPARTMENT:

On Friday, Dec. 9, at 7:30p the **Dordt University Chorale, Canons of Dordt, Bella Voce, and Concert Choir** will present a program of sounds of the season from around the world. Please join us for a delightful evening of music as we celebrate the coming Messiah! The concert will also be available on livestream <https://www.dordt.edu/livestream>.

Join the **Dordt Instrumental Ensembles** on Sat., Dec. 10 at 7:30p for the final concert of the semester. The DU Wind Symphony will bring the sounds of jazz with Frank Ticheli's Blue Shades, featuring a Benny Goodman-type solo performed by freshman clarinetist Courtney Joiner. The Wind Symphony will also welcome the Canons of Dordt as they feature the male vocal ensemble in Clifton Williams' The Rampart. In addition, the Chamber Orchestra will perform Mozart's very recognizable Symphony No. 40, alongside the Campus-Community Band bringing the sounds of the Christmas season to their portion of the performance. We invite all attendees to join us in a Christmas Sing-along to close our concert and to wish everyone a wonderful Christmas season! The concert will also be available on livestream.

On Dec. 16th at 7:30p the 4th Avenue Singers will present a concert in conjunction with the 4th Avenue Band, presenting some selections from How The Grinch Stole Christmas and old favorites such as White Christmas and local composer Amy Linder's jazzy setting of Deck the Halls. Please join us for a fun evening of music! The concert will also be available on livestream.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUSTICE FOR ALL is planning a KENTUCKY BUS TOUR, focusing on our 4 major ministry partners: Grace Covenant Ministries, Annville, KY; Helping Hands, Hyden, KY; Appalachia Reach Out Inez, KY; and Appalachian Mission of Hope, Berea, KY. The dates are April 12-18, 2023. Join us, learn and see how God is using beautiful ministries to share HIS love and hope to those who live in very poor communities throughout Kentucky. We'll be exploring the rich history, culture and stories of the mountain 'hollers', coal, and horses! And God's amazing creation will also be on display! If you are interested or want more information, please contact Pat Vander Pol at JFA (patvp@jfa-nwiowa.org – 712-476-2804).

JFA is having a meeting with information about Service & Learning Trips at the Justice for All ministry center on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 6:30p. Address for the ministry center is 1335 Valley Drive, Rock Valley. There will be light refreshments available. With questions, please contact Nick at JFA 476-2804. Consider going on a trip this year to work alongside others in a different community.