

**February 23, 2025**

**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 SCHOOL**

- **The Winter Online Auction** is Sheldon Christian's biggest fundraiser! We invite you to visit the auction February 12 – February 24. Auction site: [zomercompany.com](http://zomercompany.com). The online auction will close on Monday, February 24 starting at 6:00 p.m. Auction item pickup will be Friday February 28 from noon - 6:00 p.m.
- **Bake Sale:** If you are looking for a way to donate to the Winter Auction yet, you can bring baked goods to the bake sale! Have the items packaged and brought to school **by noon on Friday, February 28.**
- **Preschool/Kindergarten Open House:** Do you have a child who will be 4 by September 15 and entering preschool? Is your child 5 and entering into kindergarten next school year? Then this is for you! We would love for you to come see us at our open house on Monday, March 3 at 5:00 - 7:00 pm! Come look at our school, see the classrooms, meet the preschool and kindergarten teachers, and register for classes! We would love to see you join our growing Sheldon Christian Family! For more information, contact school at 712-324-2429 or visit our website at [sheldonchristianschool.com](http://sheldonchristianschool.com).

**SHELDON HIGH SCHOOL**

- **Free Public Showing of "Gridshock":** Sheldon High School is hosting an Iowa-based documentary, "Gridshock", along with speaker Stacy Besch, who will present information about human trafficking. This is a free event to be held on Monday, March 3, and is open to the entire community (Ages 13+). Stacy Besch, a volunteer with the organization Team Iowa will share information and moderate the discussion. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. as students will have research posters to share. The presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Sheldon High School Auditorium (1700 East Fourth St. Sheldon). Yes, trafficking occurs in our rural community (Iowa is #3 in the country based on per capita). We hope you consider attending this important event.
- **Personalized Brick Campaign:** The Orabs Athletic Booster Club is selling personalized bricks that will be installed at Orab Field this summer. You can make a lasting impression by commemorating your church, loved ones, alumni, business, and community members for years to come. Bricks start at \$50. Order by March 15. Phone/text Jessica Brink at (712) 526-0423. You can also go online to personalize and order at <https://www.fundraisingbrick.com/online-orders/orabs/>.

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**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Tip Night for Alzheimer's Research:** Show love this February to a family member or other loved one dealing with Alzheimer's Disease!! The Iowa Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, along with our corporate partner, Edward Jones, is hosting a Pizza Ranch Impact night (Tip Night) on Monday, February 24 at the Sheldon Pizza Ranch. All funds raised will go to support research to find new treatments and a cure for this cruel disease which has robbed so many. In Iowa alone, 62,100 people live with Alzheimer's disease and this number continues to grow! Please come out and show your support!

**MIK+ YOUNG ADULTS** (19-29 year old singles) is a sister ministry to MINNIKOTA YOUTH (MIK YOUTH) which serves the 6th-8th grades & 9th-12th grades. Both of these ministries are supported by three Christian Reformed Classis (Minnkota, Iakota, and Heartland). MIK Youth has been around a long time, but MIK+ Young Adults is NEW! We are working at getting the word out about this awesome ministry opportunity for our young adult singles in our regional CR Churches.

MIK+ YOUNG ADULTS....Here is a tentative schedule for the next two months. Be watching the Minnikota Youth facebook page for more info and updates!

- Saturday, March 1 (Activity night): Currently waiting to hear back from RJ GOLF in Sioux Center. More info will be coming soon.
- Saturday, March 22 (Bible Study): Study on Leviticus at Hull First CRC Youth Building.
- Saturday, April 5 (Activity night): Planning to reserve Escape Rooms in Sioux Falls. Will need to RSVP in advance to pay for tickets in advance. More info will be coming soon.
- Saturday, April 19 (Bible Study): Study on Numbers at Bridge of Hope CRC Youth Building, Sioux Center.

### **THE DORDT UNIVERSITY MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS...**

- ❖ **You are cordially invited to Dordt University's Wind Ensembles Concert** on Wednesday, February 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the BJ Haan Auditorium. The concert will feature the 64-piece Wind Symphony and the Campus Community Band made up of students as well as community members. Campus Community Band is conducted by Clifford St. Clair and the Wind Symphony is conducted by Dr. Onsby Rose. The concert and a PDF program will also be available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/live-events>.
- ❖ **The Choral Ensembles Winter Concert** at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 27 in the BJ Haan Auditorium will feature three of the Dordt Choral Ensembles: Bella Voce (women's chorus), Canons of Dordt (men's chorus), and the 94-voice Chorale. Repertoire will focus on the work of modern composers, focusing on themes of God's love and faithfulness to His people. Bella Voce is conducted by Dr. Carrie Groenewold, Canons of Dordt by Tim Van Voorst, and Chorale by Dr. Ryan Smit. The concert and a PDF program will also be available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/live-events>.

### **From Inspiration Hills:**

- **DIGGING DEEPER WORKSHOP: Saturday, March 8 from 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Inspiration Hills**  
The purpose of this workshop is to help you learn the tools necessary for studying God's Word accurately and in a fulfilling way! Learn how to understand, interpret, and apply God's word through patience and prayer in a group setting so you can bring it home to your own personal quiet time. Lunch and snacks will be provided. The cost is \$25 per person. Visit [inspirationhills.org/deep](http://inspirationhills.org/deep) to register for this event or learn more.
- **UPCOMING ART OF MARRIAGE RETREAT: March 21 – 23 @ Inspiration Hills**  
This weekend retreat includes guided video lessons from Family Life's Art of Marriage curriculum as well as discussion time with other couples and activities that will strengthen marital bonds. Register online to be a part of this powerful weekend. The event will take place from 5:30 p.m. on Friday March 21st to 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 23. The deadline for registration is March 7. The cost of registration is \$50 per couple and \$25 for couples who commute for the weekend. To register for this event or learn more, visit [inspirationhills.org/marriage](http://inspirationhills.org/marriage)
- **SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!** We just recently included on our website the 2025 dates and details (including a new Intro to Wilder Camp!) Brochures for all camps and dates can be picked up on the Connections table. Register online at [inspirationhills.org/summer-camp](http://inspirationhills.org/summer-camp) or scan the QR code.

