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**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.

Unity Christian

- **Unity Christian High School is seeking to hire for two open positions for the 22-23 school year.**
 1. A part time librarian. This position is currently set for Mondays only. The job involves maintaining the library and supervising student study halls. If you would like to learn more about the position please contact Wayne Dykstra, Head of School, at wdykstra@unitychristian.net. Starting date is flexible with a preferred start date no later than September 19.
 2. A kitchen staff member. This position is currently set at 4 days a week with 3-4 hour shifts. The job involves using our computer system to track and record student lunches. If you would like to learn more about the position please contact Becky Scholten at bscholten@unitychristian.net. Our preferred starting date is August 23.

Community Announcements

Kelly Kopic @ Dordt University: Kelly Kopic, author of *Embodied Hope: A Theological Meditation on Pain and Suffering*, will be speaking at Dordt University on Monday, August 22 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in SB1606. Kopic addresses the hard questions about pain and suffering without giving easy answers. Looking at Scripture as well as sharing from his own family's experience with pain and suffering, Kopic points the reader to the example of Jesus, whose own pain and suffering provided us with hope of being lifted out of our own dark valleys.

From the Dordt Music Department: Carrie Groenewold, Associate Professor of Church Music and Organ, will be presenting a faculty recital on Saturday, September 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Featuring a variety of works and genres, the recital will include the exciting *Pièce d'Orgue* by Johann Sebastian Bach, a jazz setting of "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" by living composer William Bolcom, and will culminate with the well-known *Carillon de Westminster* by Louis Vierne. The Casavant organ has recently undergone a major repair, including replacement of the largest pedal pipes in the façade, and this recital will celebrate the work completed to restore this instrument.

Come experience MYSTERY the musical! Returning to the newly-redesigned Orpheum Theater in Sioux Falls Friday, September 9 through Sunday, September 18, Lights Up Productions brings you one family's search for buried treasure somewhere in Eastern Europe. Along the way, there are riddles to solve and secrets to uncover, and they must face their enemies and the evils of this world—from cancer to con artists. The colorful characters in this saga must recapture wonder, rediscover grace, and perhaps find treasure beyond their wildest imagination! Influenced by the works and lives of C.S. Lewis, Dietrich Bonhoeffer and more, MYSTERY is a faith-based musical that will make you laugh and cry, but will also grapple with big questions about God. Learn more and buy tickets at www.mysterymusical.com or call the box office at (605) 367-6000.

The Power of The Word: The Bible League International Volunteers is please to present The Power of The Word Tri-State Dinner and Conference for Men & Women. The dinner will take place on Monday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m. and the conference will be Tuesday, September 20 from 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Centerpoint Church in Sioux Center (160 10th Street SE). Keynote speakers are Mike & Lynn Wilder, former Mormons, now Bible-believing Christians. Mike & Lynn will share the story of how they found their way into the loving arms of Jesus' grace. Onsite childcare will be provided at no cost (make sure to mention at time of registration).

Registration deadline is Monday, September 12. To register go to www.bibleleague.org/tickets.

Trauma Group for Women: An Evidence Based and Faith Based Approach to Healing

- HAVE YOU BEEN HURT IN THE PAST AND NOW YOU'RE CARRYING IT IN MESSY WAYS?
- ARE YOU REALIZING THAT THERE WAS SOMETHING (OR A SERIES OF THINGS) THAT HAPPENED WELL OUTSIDE OF YOUR CONTROL AND NOW YOU'RE ANXIOUS, DEPRESSED, OR DYSREGULATED?
- DO YOU HAVE BAD DREAMS, FEEL EASILY OVERWHELMED, OR ARE YOU STRUGGLING WITH IMPORTANT RELATIONSHIPS?
- ARE YOU READY TO GROW INTO A BETTER VERSION OF YOURSELF?

Dr. Tara Boer, Associate Professor of Social Work at Dordt University, will work to help you with whatever is bothering you. You'll work with her to build community, trust, and a place to be seen in the safest ways. You'll join her and up to 8 other woman on a beautiful journey of learning, growing, and healing together. Over the course of six weeks you will walk through the book, "The Soul of Shame", by Curt Thompson.

You'll learn more about trauma, build meaningful relationships, and deepen your faith utilizing content Tara will share with you and connections with the other women in live meetings together. Meetings will be virtually together (via zoom) for 75 minutes each week to process the content, share, and connect.

When: Starting the week of October 9 and wrapping up by November 19. (The day/time of the hour together will be chosen as a group to accommodate the busy schedules of all the ladies in the group).

Where to register: <https://www.drtaraboer.com/trauma-group>

How long: 75 minutes (live via zoom) plus reading and activities in your own time

Who: Up to 8 women

Cost: \$147 + cost of book (less than \$25/week). Payment plan is available

CASA stands for: **C**ourt **A**ppointed **S**pecial **A**dvocate for children

- CASA's are community volunteers that check in on a foster child or group of siblings and gather information for the judge to ensure their needs are met by the child welfare system.
- In an overloaded system, voices often go unheard – rights unprotected.
- The CASA volunteer is a reliable adult presence for abused and neglected children that can often be enough to break the cycle of violence and neglect for generations to come.
- If you have a passion to advocate for children and the flexibility to spend about 10 hours/month helping a child or group of siblings, this may be just the right opportunity for you.
- For more information: Call 1-866-448-4608

Go to childadvocacy.iowa.gov

Email kathy.fritz@dia.iowa.gov