



First Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

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May 20 & 21, 2017

Welcome to First Lutheran Church. Please sign the registration pad found in your row.

If you are in need of pastoral care or have questions about First Lutheran Church, please contact the church office at 426-4073 or visit www.firstlutheranblair.org.

Farewell Reception: Rod, Chris, and Lydia Hansen will be moving to Falls Church, VA. Rod has accepted a position as the National Intelligence Coordinator with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Washington DC and will oversee intelligence and federal investigations on each of the over 500 National Wildlife Refuges across the United States. **The Hansen's would like to say goodbye to their FLC family and are hosting the coffee hour on Sunday, May 21st.** Please join them and have the opportunity to learn more about their move and the plans of the entire family.

We welcome into the body of Christ, June Matilda Warner who will be baptized at the 8:15am worship service. June's parents are Erich & Julia. Her sponsors are Charles Kaup and Heather Bohac. **Also, we welcome into the body of Christ, Adilyn Marilyn Jane Acker** who will be baptized at the 10:15am worship service. Adilyn's parents are Derek & Hope. Her sponsors are Lance Acker, Gavin Acker, Emma Jacobson, and Detra Damskov.

Photos: If you had your picture taken in March or April for the new church directory and have not received your picture yet, please stop by the Welcome Center to see if your picture is there. The company sent a group of the complimentary photos directly to the church. Thank you!



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

- ✠ Kay Sonderup – healing
- ✠ Jim & Carol Ramspott – healing
- ✠ Ken Gigstad
- ✠ Gene Meyer – (ALS)
- ✠ Mary Ellen Camden (daughter of Norma Kay)
- ✠ Brooks Blomker – healing
- ✠ Velma Cooper
- ✠ Berniece Sheets
- ✠ Pat Jorgensen – healing
- ✠ Janet Sederburg – healing
- ✠ Kay Melby (Angela Ulven and Kari Hernandez's mother)
- ✠ Kim Sitarski
- ✠ LaVonne Fletcher - healing (mother of Kris Swenson)
- ✠ Keri & Isabelle (baby)
- ✠ Patrick McKinnis - healing
- ✠ McKenna - 3 year old with cancer-strength for radiation treatments
- ✠ Georgia - 3 yr. old with cancer
- ✠ John Wolsmann
- ✠ Lekura Parish
- ✠ Mothers' Day Ingathering

and all those we name in our hearts.

Supplies That Are Needed For VBS and Sunday School

(Items can be placed in the tote in
the Fellowship Hall)

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| Markers | Paper Plates |
| Napkins | Cups |
| Pens/Pencils | Tissue Paper |
| Crayons | Lemonade Mix |
| Colored Paper | Glue Sticks |
| Card Stock Paper | Kleenex |
| | Beads-different colors/shapes |
| | Pipe Cleaners-different colors |



Hero Central VBS 2017 Discover your strength in God!

First Lutheran Church
Tuesday May 30th – Friday June 2nd
9 am – 11:30am
3yr. olds -5th Grade \$25 child
(\$75 maximum per family)
suggested donation

Scholarships are available upon request. No child will be refused admittance.

The cost includes all crafts, snacks, activities, and a T-Shirt.

FLC Youth's Flamingos are still flocking! Contact Erika if you would like to send a flock to a friend OR if you would like to purchase flocking insurance and avoid flamingos!

Pentecost is June 3 & 4. Remember to wear your Red!

VBS Helpers Needed: We are asking for your help, we are beginning to look for volunteers to be teachers and helpers for VBS. We will provide child care in the nursery if you are a mother or father who wants to help, but has little ones. If you are interested or have questions please contact Nikki O'Neil in the church office.

Variations On Music and Prayer: Worship in a Taize style. Based on the book of Hebrews. Please join us on June 7, August 2, and September 6. The services will be at 6:15pm. There will be Parsonage Pot-Luck after worship at 7pm.

Meal Train: Gene and Susie Meyer are cheerfully, gracefully, and boldly facing many health related issues. Susie had a stroke several years ago and Gene is continuing his challenges with ALS. Gene and Susie have said that meals, twice a week, would help them in many ways. This is an ongoing ministry to the Meyers and dates will be added in 3 month blocks. **We have added dates through July. To register for this meal train, please visit <https://mealtrain.com/md2379> or email ykrysl@firstlutheranblair.org.**

Lutheran Night at Werner Park: Game will be Monday, June 5th at 7:05pm. Please check your calendars and plan ahead. More information will be available soon. Please watch your yellow pages for how you can purchase tickets from the church office.

Social Concerns...

INFORMAITION HAS BEEN RECEIVED from OAKS INDIAN MISSION that Pastor Don Marshall is the new Executive Director! In honor of Pastor Don's ministry, the Oaks Indian Mission Board of Directors would like to ask you to consider a generous contribution to a **\$15,000 Matching Challenge** from the **Immanuel Vision Foundation**, with a deadline of **June**

1. The **\$30,000** will be used for a much needed kitchen update, as the roof is leaking and the plumbing needs attention. Please mark your check, **Honorarium—Don Marshall IVF Match** or visit the **Mission** online at www.oaksindianmission.org and process your contribution there. If you would like to attend Pastor Marshall's Installation service, it is scheduled for **Saturday, June 17, at 5:00 P.M. at Eben Ezer Lutheran Church**, followed by a **Cherokee-Danish Heritage Gathering** on the campus for an evening meal and celebration, which continues on into Sunday. Please RSVP by calling Tanisa at 918-8688-2196 or Tanisa.Foreman@oaksindianmission.org.

Our MOTHERS' DAY INGATHERING for our local CRISIS CENTER called "THE BRIDGE" is continuing throughout the month. This is another way to honor mothers, and to offer "Mothers' Day gifts" to mothers who are in crisis and are having a very difficult time meeting their own and their children's physical needs. Copies of a **"Needs List"** and **receptacles** to receive these gifts of love are located at the **Garden Cart** in the narthex. **The Bridge Office** is now located in the **Memorial Community Hospital**.

Women...

Love Days: June 20 & 21 and July 18 & 19 from 9am to 3pm. We are starting to collect items for health kits. We need nail clippers, bar soap, toothbrushes, and bath towels. We need material for the ladies to cut quilt squares. Scraps must be big enough to make a 4 inch squares or larger. For baby layettes we need gently used or new sleepers, t-shirts, cloth diapers, socks, sweaters, jackets, and receiving blankets. We can use any size up to 24 month. There is a tote in the women's corner in the social hall for donations. Men and women are welcomed to help make quilts. No experience is required...come and enjoy the thrill of doing something for others. Watch the July ads for supplies for school kits!

FLC Youth...

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- **End of Year Party!** Outdoor Movie Party on 5/31 from 6:30pm-8:30pm.

9 to 12

- **Watch your email for Upcoming Summer Events!!**

Community...

Community Ascension Celebration Service: Dana Campus Football Stadium on Thursday, May 25th at 6pm. Sponsored by the Washington County Ministerial Association.

100th Year Cook Book of Washington County: The Centennial of the Washington County Fair is in 2018. One of the added features of this 100-year celebration is a county wide celebrated cook book. I am looking for recipes to fill the 100th year Cook Book of Washington County. Please call Sarah Lambrecht at 402-427-7140 or email her at Lambrechtfarms@abbnebraska.com.

ATTENTION GOLFERS: Joseph's Coat is doing a Golf Fundraiser on **Friday, June 30th, 2017 at 1:00 pm.** That takes place at River Wilds Golf Club in Blair. They are seeking foursomes to have a good time and support the Washington County Food Pantry, a great cause in our own community. Team cost is \$500. More details contact Kathy Brechbill at 402-426-0440 or Rob Waterhouse at 402-637-5893 or Ask Pastor Pam.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: Our April year-to-date revenue was \$190,700. This figure includes \$20,600 of Lenten Sacrifice offerings. Expenses for that same period were \$176,300, resulting in a positive operating cash flow of \$14,400. April year-to-date revenue from offerings for debt reduction were \$40,800, offset by loan payments for that same period of \$51,000, resulting in a negative cash flow for debt reduction of -\$10,200.

Worship Assistants for May 20 & 21

Greeters: 6pm Jeff & Julene Warren
8:15am & 10:15am Hospitality Teams
Lectors: 6pm Dawn Nielsen
8:15am Trudy Hutton
10:15am David Link
Communion
Assistants: 6pm Jeff & Julene Warren
8:15am & 10:15am Hospitality Teams
Sacristy: 6pm Tom & Janice Lippincott
8:15am Jim & LeAnn Iseminger
10:15am Tracy Gross
Coffee Hosts: Arlan & Mary Ann Hansen
TV Ministry: Margaret Sidebottom

This week at First Lutheran

Sun. May 21 8:15am & 10:15am Worship
8:15am Graduate Blessing at worship
9:15am Reception for Rod & Christine Hansen
9:30am Adult Bible Study
Mon. May 22 7am Men's Bible Study
7pm Social Concerns
Tue. May 23 1:15pm Staff Meeting
Fri. May 26 9:30am Women's Bible Study
Sat. May 27 6pm Worship
Sun. May 28 8:15am & 10:15am Worship
9:30am Adult Bible Study

Scripture Readings for this week

Acts 17:22-31
Psalm 66:8-20
1 Peter 3:13-22
John 14:15-21

Scripture Readings for next week

Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
John 17:1-11



Hearing Assistance Devices for all services are available from the usher's table located in the Gathering Area outside of the Sanctuary.