

News & Announcements

Serving Others: Who do you believe First Lutheran should serve? What ministries can we offer that are authentic to who we are in serving others? Who is God calling you to serve? Where is your heart moved to serve others? Our future together is in the relationships we share. Listening together, walking side-by-side in faith, empowered by the Spirit, we move into the future God prefers for us and our congregation.

The new **Christ in Our Home** devotionals for July-September are available for you to pick up from the usher's tables outside of the worship areas.

If you have information for the August Ambassador please send it by July 15th to Wendy at wendy@firstlutheranblair.org.

Game Night: The Men of First Lutheran will be sponsoring Game Night on Sunday, July 8th at 6pm. Snacks are served on each game night. All are welcomed to attend at no cost to you. Enjoy the fun and fellowship.

Artists - "Eye on Art": This group meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month here at First Lutheran. The next meeting will be held July 10th at 9am. To learn more about this month's focus or about the group, contact Carol Kuhfahl at 402-426-8124.

Social Concerns...

Our GARDENS AND GOODIES MARKET is now open! Thanks to all who have brought either garden produce, flowers, or homemade goodies to share! The proceeds received throughout the growing season will be designated for **ELCA World Hunger**. Please be generous when you make purchases, so that others, too, may eat good nourishing food! Thank you.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY Blair Build is progressing well! Please remember that you can help with the build at any time by calling Harriet Waite at 402-709-7114 or Randy Jensen at 402-426-3811. **There will also be an opportunity to support this worthwhile project with our financial gifts, scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, July 21 and 22.** Our new Habitat for Humanity home owner partners, Autumn Austin and her family, are planning to be with us for the Sunday morning service. This will be a great opportunity to meet them and to support this fine program—a "hand up," not a "hand out!"

Women...

Circle News: Tuesday, July 10th at 2pm the **Ruth Circle** will meet at First Lutheran Church. Co-host will be Trudy Hutton. Doris Cooksey will lead the lesson. **Wednesday, July 11th: Lois & Naomi Circle** will meet at 9am at the home of LeAnn Iseminger, 1208 Westridge Drive. Please call LeAnn if unable to attend at 402-533-2382.



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

✠ Family of Gene H. Nielsen (Todd Nielsen's father)
✠ Lowell Tupa (Mike Tupa's father)
✠ Muriel Neve – healing
✠ Lee LeCompte – healing
✠ Leo Aguilar-Hicks – healing for Leukemia
✠ Bonnie Peterson – healing
✠ Grace Hamilton
✠ Shirley Wrich – healing
✠ Tony Rus
✠ Darrell Dibben
✠ Bev Soderberg
✠ Jeanette Thomas – healing
✠ Gerald Gustafson
✠ Lisa Thompson
✠ Kay Melby (Angela Ulven and Kari Hernandez's mother)
✠ Patrick McKinnis - healing
✠ Georgia - 5 year old with NF1 that has caused blindness
✠ John Wolsmann
✠ Faith Formation-Confirmation
✠ Care Ministry
✠ Lekura Parish
✠ Washington County Food Pantry
and all those we name in our hearts.

Love Days: July 17th & 18th from 9am until 3pm. Any amount of time you can spare. We are collecting items for health and school kits. We need BAR SOAP & TOOTH BRUSHES. For school kits, we need NOTEBOOKS, PENS, & PENCILS (it takes 5 of each to make a kit). Watch for the sales in July for the school items. Also need rulers. Everyone is invited to help make quilts. No sewing skills are needed.

FLC Youth...

Have a great summer! See you in August!



Community...

Blair Community Blood Drive: Monday, July 9th, 2018 from 12:00pm-6:00pm at First Lutheran Church. Call JoAnna at 426-9870 or Laurie at 426-3661. Saturday, July 14th, 2018 at Blair City Hall-Council Chambers at 218 South 16th Street. You can call 402-305-7149 for an appointment for Saturday. You can also visit redcrossblood.org and enter: BLAIRNE to schedule an appointment.

Summer Workshops for 4-H: The Washington County 4-H Program has been busy planning the 2018 4-H Summer Workshop Series. Are you hoping to fill your child's summer calendar with fun learning experiences? The 2018 Summer Workshop Series is packed with engaging workshops that help youth gain life skills, make friends, and give back to the community. To learn more about the 4-H Summer Workshop Series, visit: <http://go.unl.edu/summerseries>. For more information please see the Community Bulletin Board.

Come have a drink with the Lutheran Volunteer Corps at "Brews for Justice." Support LVC by joining us on Tuesday, July 10th from 6-8pm at Thunderhead Brewing – 13304 W. Center Rd. in Omaha. Meet our current volunteers, share some drinks and appetizers, and bid in our silent auction. Tickets are \$35 for recent alumni and \$50 for general admission. Register online at action.lutheranvolunteercorps.org/brews_for_justice_omaha or contact Scott Glaser at Omaha.dev@lutheranvolunteercorps.org or (720) 218-5112.

Worship Assistants for July 7 & 8

Greeters: 6pm Rod & Pat Hansen
9:15am Hospitality Team
Communion
Assistants: 9:15am Hospitality Team
Sacristy: 9:15am Merri Dibben and Karen Clements
Coffee Hosts: Jim & Linda Jorgensen
TV Ministry: David & Emily Rasmussen
Flowers have been given by:
Dorothy Thomas

This week at First Lutheran

Sun. July 8 **9:15am ONE Worship**
10:15am Adult Bible Study
6pm Game Night
Mon. July 9 7pm Worship & Music Committee
Tue. July 10 **Circle Day**
9am-12 Noon Quilt Tying
9am Eye on Art
1:15pm Staff Meeting
2pm Ruth Circle
6pm Fellowship Committee
Wed. July 11 **Circle Day**
Thu. July 12 6:30pm Men's Workshop
6:30pm Church Council Meeting
Fri. July 13 9:30am Women's Bible Study
Sat. July 14 6pm Worship
Sun. July 15 **9:15am ONE Worship**
10:15am Adult Bible Study