



First Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

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November 17 & 18, 2018

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.

A Nebraska Brass Christmas: Mark Your Calendar for **Thursday, November 29th at 7:30pm** for a chance to see **The Nebraska Brass Christmas performance** here at First Lutheran Church. Tickets at the door are: Adults \$12, Seniors \$10, Children and Students are free. If you have questions please contact 402-477-7899 or nb@artsincorporated.org.



HOLIDAY GREENERY SALES AND DELIVERY!! Orders due November 18th **AT THE LATEST!!** Place them in tray on Erika's door. Item pickup will be at FLC Fellowship Hall after 3pm on November

21st. If you have not yet paid for your purchase, please leave payment in tray on Erika's door.

If you have items to be included in the weekly announcements for the weekend of November 24th and 25th, **please e-mail your information no later than Noon on Monday, November 19th** to Dawn Andersen at office@firstlutheranblair.org.

Tuesday Evenings with Pastor Scott: Join Pastor Scott for a Bible study each Tuesday from 7-8:15pm. The study will meet in the Chapel.

First Lutheran Church Job Opportunity: This position is being advertised to members of First Lutheran church. RE: Custodian – Part-Time, a ten hour a week position. The employee will be scheduled Monday and Thursday with some Saturdays. Prepared by: Personnel Committee; Reports to: Director of Worship/Music and



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

- ✠ Family of Arlene Peterson
- ✠ Family of Nina (daughter of Muriel Neve)
- ✠ Family of Ardis Grace
- ✠ Family of Lewis Coles (father of Faye Jones)
- ✠ Family of Ginny Beck
- ✠ Larry Henson
- ✠ Ruth McKay
- ✠ Alice Jorgensen – healing
- ✠ Mike & Gaye Garder (Scott Garder's uncle & aunt) – healing
- ✠ Jeanette Moeller – strength & healing
- ✠ Larry Kastrup – healing
- ✠ Lowell Tupa (Mike Tupa's father)
- ✠ Leo Aguilar-Hicks – healing for Leukemia
- ✠ Shirley Wrich – healing
- ✠ Gerald Gustafson
- ✠ Kay Melby (Angela Ulven and Kari Hernandez's mother)
- ✠ Patrick McKinnis - healing
- ✠ Georgia - 5 year old with NF1 that has caused blindness
- ✠ John Wolsmann
- ✠ Pat Bentsen—Missionary
- ✠ Mission and Evangelism
- ✠ Social Concerns
- ✠ Lekura Parish
- ✠ Habitat for Humanity

and all those we name in our hearts.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship
Wednesday, Nov. 21
at 7pm

THANKSGIVING



Property Oversight. Position Purpose: Custodial duties such as vacuum, dust and wash tables in the basement and Sunday School classrooms, Ark, Nursery and hallways. Vacuum and dust the South stairwell at all levels and the North stairwell next to the offices. Restrooms will be a priority each day this person is scheduled. For a complete job description, please stop by the church office. Send resume via e-mail to Joe Bush, joejbush@gmail.com. You may also leave a resume at the front office attention Personnel Committee.

The LIFE Night Women's Bible study has begun a special advent study on Wednesdays titled "Because of Bethlehem" by Max Lucado. In this four session video with study guide Bible study, Max explores how the One who made everything chose to make himself nothing for us. Please join us in the Library from 6:50 to 7:45 as we usher in the beginning of the Christmas season and remember the remarkable Gift that came in an unremarkable package more than 2,000 years ago. (For additional information call Susan Pinquoch at (402) 426-8182 or e-mail spinquoch@gpcom.net)

Mid Week Meal @ FLC: All in the Blair community are invited to our **Mid Week Meal on Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30pm.** Come for food & fellowship; Leave with full hearts! Free will donation. Contact Martha Sorensen for more details. **PLEASE NOTE:** We **WILL** have a meal on **Thanksgiving Eve, 11/21!!**

The Blair Area Community Choir would love to have you sing with us! The choir will have rehearsals on **November 18th and 25th from 5:00-6:00pm at First Lutheran Church in Blair.** For more information, contact Kay Dickinson at (402) 426-9042.

HUSKER FANS!! FLC Youth welcome **Husker wide receiver (1979-1983), Ricky C. Simmons on Wednesday, 11/28!!** Please invite your friends and family!! Come to hear an inspiring and uplifting story from Husker and Atlanta Falcon football player, Ricky C. Simmons. Please join us for: Mid Week Meal, Tailgate Style, 5:30-6:30pm, Worship, 6:15pm, and Ricky C. Simmons' Story, 7pm.

There will be NO LIFE Night Classes on Wednesday, November 21st. We will still have our Mid Week Meal from 5:30pm-6:30pm that night. Also, please join us for the Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service on that night at 7pm. There will be NO Sunday School on Sunday, November 25th.

Washington County Gives! is back. "Inspiring our Community" you have the opportunity to give to First Lutheran on Tuesday, Nov 27, 2018 during Washington County Gives day. The day is dedicated to supporting all the non-profit organizations in Washington County, and First Lutheran is one of them. You can support our youth in Sunday School, LIFE Night, and Confirmation ministries, and there are opportunities for groups to win special cash prizes over the course of the day. Check out the **Washington County Gives** Facebook page for more information on how you can help out.

Social Concerns...

Today would be a great day to turn in your special offering for ELCA WORLD Hunger.

You can be a part of the wonderful work that this agency carries out in the United States and around the world, made possible by your generosity! And we do this because of **Christ's challenge**, “for I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink; I was a stranger and you welcomed me” (Mt. 25:35). Checks can be made out to **First Lutheran Church** with **ELCA World Hunger** on the memo line.

Our **Annual COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER** will again be held on **November 22 at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.** Today is your last chance to sign up at the **Welcome Center** to make food donations requested from our congregation, or to volunteer to work. This gives **you and me** an opportunity to help make this wonderful community event happen! Please check the sign-up sheets for items and amounts yet needed. **Food donations are to be delivered to the Catholic Church by 7:00 P.M. on Monday November 19, except the turkeys, which are to be delivered on November 21, between 6:00 and 8:00 P.M. You are also invited to come and eat!** If you have questions you may call 402-426-3823.

Our **ALTERATIVE GIFT TABLE** opened **Saturday, November 17, at the CRAFT FAIR**, and will remain open throughout the **Advent Season!** You can start your Christmas shopping from the wide array of **alternative gifts** (over 50) featured in the “**ELCA Good Gifts**” catalogs or the **SERRV** catalogs for “the person who has everything,” and do some good for others in the process! We are especially lifting up the purchase of: 1) **farm animals for third world families**; 2) **Lutheran Disaster Response** (note the terrible fires in California); and 3) our local **Good Samaritan Fund**. Prepared gift cards for these and other gifts of your choice, and some Christmas cards, as well as **Advent calendars** and “**God's Global Barnyard**” Christmas **ornaments** (complete with gift information on the back) are also available there.

EQUAL EXCHANGE FAIR TRADED products are back—and will be available throughout the Advent Season! Please note some brand new products—like Keurig single serve coffee, almonds, and cashews, as well as other coffee products, tea, and chocolate bars! These would make great stocking stuffers!

CROP WALK UPDATE: The final figures are in from our **Blair Area CROP WALK** on that snowy October 14th Sunday afternoon! Our thirty-five walkers who persevered, in spite of the weather, raised **\$2,757.43** to feed hungry people around the world, with **25% (\$689.36)** remaining in Blair to support the **Washington County Food Pantry!** Our Sunday School and LIFE Night children contributed **\$83.43** of that total with their own offerings! Many thanks to the walkers and to ALL who supported them financially.

FLC Youth...

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Confirmation, Wednesdays 6:45-8pm

NO CLASS 11/21



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Wednesdays 6:45-7:45pm, Youth Room

NO MEETING 11/21

9 to 12

Youth Group, Sundays 6:30-8pm, Youth Room

NO MEETING 11/18 and 11/25

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**The FLC Nursery:
The FLC Nursery is not staffed, but it is open for
use on Wednesday Evenings and Sunday
Mornings.**

Worship Assistants for November 17 & 18

Greeters: 6pm Vaughn Christensen & Sandy
Sonderup
8:15am & 10:15am Hospitality Teams

Lectors: 6pm Dawn Nielsen
8:15am Karen Fenne
10:15am Jennifer Skinner

Communion

Assistants: 6pm Vaughn Christensen & Sandy
Sonderup
8:15am & 10:15am Hospitality Teams

Sacristy: 6pm Darvid & JoAnn Quist
8:15am Michael Jones
10:15am Judy Brehm

Coffee Hosts: Emily Anderson

TV Ministry: Ryan, Brenda, Ryleigh, &
Brooklyn Schroeter

Scripture Readings for this week

Hebrews 10:19-25

Mark 13:1-8

Scripture Readings for next week

Revelation 1:4b-8

John 18:33-37

This week at First Lutheran

Sun. Nov. 18 8:15am & 10:15am Worship
9:15am Sunday School PreK-5th
grade
9:30am Adult Bible Study
9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal
9:30am Property Committee
5pm Community Choir Rehearsal

Mon. Nov. 19 7am Men's Bible Study
6:30pm Stewardship Committee

Tue. Nov. 20 1:15pm Staff Meeting
7pm Bible Study with Pastor Scott

Wed. Nov. 21 11am Office Hours Web Series
No LIFE Night Classes
5:30pm Meal
7pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Thu. Nov. 22 **Happy Thanksgiving!**
Church Office Closed

Fri. Nov. 23 **Church & Offices Closed**

Sat. Nov. 24 6pm Worship

Sun. Nov. 25 **No Sunday School**
8:15am & 10:15am Worship
9:30am Adult Bible Study
9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal
5pm Community Choir Rehearsal



**Hearing Assistance Devices for all services are available
from the Welcome Center.**