



First Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

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January 12 & 13, 2019

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.

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.

2019 Offering Envelope boxes are available to be picked up in the Narthex.



Scholarship Applications: ATTENTION High

School Seniors and College Students: The Christian Growth Board is accepting scholarship applications for the 2019-20 school year for post-secondary education. Any member of FLC that is currently a high school senior or college student may apply. Applications are available on the rack near the Welcome Center, or you may download a copy at www.firstlutheranblair.org. **The deadline to submit an application is February 1, 2019.**

Game Night: The Men of First Lutheran will be sponsoring Game Night on Sunday, January 13th at 6pm. Snacks are served on each game night. All are welcomed to attend at no cost to you. Enjoy the fun and fellowship.



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

- ✠ Family of Lyle Christensen
- ✠ Joanne Little (mother of daughter-in-law of Lois Blobaum)
- ✠ Ronald Stork – healing
- ✠ Larry Henson
- ✠ Ruth McKay
- ✠ Jeanette Moeller – strength & healing
- ✠ Larry Kastrop – healing
- ✠ Leo Aguilar-Hicks – healing for Leukemia
- ✠ Shirley Wrich – healing
- ✠ Gerald Gustafson
- ✠ Patrick McKinnis - healing
- ✠ Georgia - 5 year old with NF1 that has caused blindness
- ✠ John Wolsmann
- ✠ Pat Bentsen—Missionary
- ✠ Lekura Parish
- ✠ Habitat for Humanity

and all those we name in our hearts.

Mark Your Calendars

Sunday, January 27, 2019
Annual Meeting of the Congregation of
First Lutheran Church

9:00am—One Worship that morning
(Sat., Jan. 26—regular 6pm
worship will be held)



The Annual Meeting will begin directly after worship with time for coffee and fellowship following the meeting.

**There will be Sunday School after worship
at 9:45am in the Fellowship Hall.**

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 Pinguoch at (402) 426-8182 or e-mail spinguoch@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.

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

To ensure the deductibility of your church contributions, **please do not file your 2018 income tax return until you have received a written acknowledgement of your contributions from the church.** Some of your contributions may not be tax-deductible if you file your tax return before receiving a written acknowledgement of your contributions from the church. Year-end statements will be available by the end of January.

If you have information for the February Ambassador please send it by January 15th to Dawn Andersen at office@firstlutheranblair.org.

Happy New Year! The new charts for providing Flowers for the altar and sponsoring the TV Broadcast each week are now available. Please sign-up for dates at the charts on the bulletin board located in the Fellowship Hall.

Social Concerns...

Thanks to all who contributed to our OUTERWEAR INGATHERING BOX! The clothing items have been distributed to those in need and are much appreciated! Thank you for your generosity!

WASHINGTON COUNTY FOOD PANTRY is very much in need of peanut butter, jam, hamburger helper, and toilet tissue. If you can donate these items it would be much appreciated!

Women...

Love Days: January 15th and 16th from 9am until 3pm or what ever time you have to spend with great Lutheran ladies. It is time to sharpen our needles and scissors and start making quilts again. Wanda is starting to collect items for health kits {tooth brushes, nail clippers, bar soap, bath towels} school kits {pens, pencils, erasers, rulers, notebooks} layettes {sleepers, t-shirts, caps, sweaters, jackets up to the age 24 months}. If you are a Thrivent member and would like to apply for a 250.00 grant, please talk to Wanda to see what she needs. You can leave donated items in the SW corner of the social hall in the tote. We can always use sheets for the quilts.

LADIES, please take note of the WOMEN of the ELCA WINTER RETREAT on January 19, 2019, from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1515 S. Harrison Street, Grand Island. The theme verse for the day is: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8). The program will include something for everyone, with speakers on health, wellness, illness, growing plants, fashion, and a few surprises! Registration information is on the Women's Table in the corridor outside the LIFE Center and needs to be mailed by January 14. If you wish to share rides please contact Emily Rasmussen at 402-426-4869 or Sarah Boeka at 402-426-2388.

FLC Youth...

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Confirmation Class meets Wednesdays, 6:45pm-8pm.

2nd FLC Service Plunge Scheduled!! Friday, February 15th 8am-4pm in Omaha at Lutheran Family Services. Talk to Erika to sign up - preference given to those who did not attend 1st Plunge.

NINERS

We meet Wednesdays, 6:45pm-7:45pm.



9 to 12

Youth Group meets Sundays, 6:30pm-8pm.

Community...

Blair Community Blood Drive: Monday, January 14th, 2019 from 12:00pm to 6:00pm at St. Francis Borgia Fellowship Hall. Saturday, January 19th, 2019 from 7:30am to 12:00pm at the Blair City Hall-Council Chambers. Please see the Community Bulletin Board for more information.

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

Worship Assistants for January 12 & 13

Greeters: 6pm Dick & Lorraine Hansen
8:15am & 10:15am Hospitality Teams
Lectors: 6pm John Mark Nielsen
8:15am Carol Ihrke
10:15am Ruth Jensen
Communion
Assistants: 10:15am Hospitality Team
Sacristy: 10:15am Karen Clements and Merri
Dibben
Coffee Hosts: Roger & Dorothy Olson
TV Ministry: Ryan, Brenda, Ryleigh, &
Brooklyn Schroeter

Scripture Readings for this week

Isaiah 43:1-7
Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Scripture Readings for next week

Isaiah 62:1-5
John 2:1-11

This week at First Lutheran

Sun. Jan. 13 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
6pm Game Night
6:30pm 9-12 Youth Group

Mon. Jan. 14 7am Men's Bible Study
7pm Worship & Music Committee

Tue. Jan. 15 **9am-3pm Love Days**
1:15pm Staff Meeting
7pm Bible Study with Pastor Scott

Wed. Jan. 16 **9am-3pm Love Days**
11am Office Hours Web Series
LIFE Night
5:30pm Meal
6:15pm Worship
6:45pm Classes PreK-8th
6:45pm Niners
6:45pm Women's Bible Study
8pm Bell Choir

Thu. Jan. 17 6:30pm Men's Workshop

Fri. Jan. 18 9:30am Women's Bible Study

Sat. Jan. 19 4pm Schwedhelm/Sich Wedding
6pm Worship

Sun. Jan. 20 8:15am & 10:15am Worship
9:15am Sunday School PreK-5th
grade
9:30am Adult Bible Study
9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm 9-12 Youth Group



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