



First Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

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March 23 & 24, 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.

FLC Variety Show & Pie Auction – SUNDAY NIGHT!!

Sunday, March 24th 6pm

Please join us to see and hear talents from many of our members, young and old!! We will be auctioning pies in between acts to support the FLC Youth trip to Chicago this summer!!

Butter Braids for sale now – support FLC Youth!!

Orders taken now until March 27th

Delivery April 9th

Contact any FLC Youth or Erika to buy yours now! We'll also be in the narthex each Sunday/Wednesday.

Mid Week Meal this Wednesday, March 27th!! All donations go to flood victims in Washington County.



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

✠ Pete Kaiser – healing
✠ Muriel Neve
✠ Lisa Garcia – strength & healing
✠ Ronald Stork – healing
✠ Larry Henson
✠ Ruth McKay
✠ Jeanette Moeller – strength & healing
✠ Larry Kastrup – 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.

AMMPARO BIBLE READING FUNDRAISER!



During the season of Lent people of First Lutheran are encouraged to use the AMMPARO 40 day Bible reading challenge to read a couple of Bible verses a day. We encourage everyone to participate, and to give some money, as you are able, to our ELCA Mission Share. Here's how it works:

- + Grab an AMMPARO book mark with the 40 days of Bible readings (in the Narthex)
- + Give a certain amount per reading (for example, \$.25 or \$1 per reading)
- + At the end of the 40 days make a contribution to our ELCA Mission Share (\$10 if you did a quarter, \$40 if you did a dollar, or any amount of the days you read)

Use this challenge to read parts of the Bible you might not read on a regular basis, and to give you a sense of how God continues to work in the lives of all of us in our faith journeys.



Gardening Workshop Scheduled for First Lutheran: As a part of the program for the Social Concerns Committee, First Lutheran Church will be hosting a garden workshop. Taught by retired Extension Educator Jim Peterson, the class will be a basic introduction to growing vegetables in a garden setting. It will be held on Monday evening, April 1st beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at First Lutheran.

During the two-hour session, discussion topic will delve into garden site selection, soil preparation, fertilization, weed control and potential insect problems and control. In addition, a variety of vegetable families will be under discussion. Such families as the black nightshade family (Tomatoes, Potatoes, Peppers, and Egg Plant), the cucurbit family (cucumber, squash, watermelon etc.) and legume family (Beans, Peas etc.) will be covered.

This will be a basic beginner course for First Lutheran members who have little or no experience but who would like to learn more about gardening. Hopefully, such a program will raise the awareness of the importance of growing our own foods and the garden marketing program sponsored each summer by the Social Concerns Committee.

Further information can be found by calling Jim Peterson at (402) 426-2716 or by e-mail at jmpeterson@abnnebraska.com. There is no preregistration asked.

The Wednesday LIFE Night Women's Bible study continues to meet each week from 6:50 to 7:45 p.m. in the church library. Join us as we study God's Word and enjoy Christian fellowship with one another. All ladies welcome. If more information is needed, contact Susan Pinguoch (402) 426-8182 or email spinguoch@gpcom.net.

2nd Annual FLC Youth Pie Auction: Sunday, March 24th during FLC Variety Show @ 6pm

Bring your appetites!! At least 25 homemade pies will be auctioned between Variety Show acts!! All proceeds will go toward FLC Youth trip to Chicago with NE Synod youth this summer.

From Bishop Brian Maas and the Nebraska Synod (ELCA):

The Nebraska Synod is coordinating with Lutheran Disaster Response to prepare for recovery efforts following this week's flooding and blizzard. Individuals and congregations wanting to support the future cleanup efforts, can send donations to the Nebraska Synod Disaster Fund. If you give by check, please include "Nebraska Floods" in the memo line and mail it to:

Nebraska Synod ELCA

6757 Newport Avenue, Suite 200

Omaha, NE 68521-2191

You can also give online at <https://nebraskasynod.org/giving/give-now.html>. Click on the third option, "Hunger & Disaster," then scroll down the list to Hunger & Disaster, and enter your donation amount in the line for Synod Disaster Fund. Thank you for your support and prayers.



**FIRST LUTHERAN
CHURCH
SENIOR CITIZEN
WORSHIP AND LUNCH**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY
April 18, 2019
with Holy Communion**

**LUNCH to Follow
Please RSVP to the church office by
Friday, April 12th.**

Follow our youth on Facebook!! Join our groups on Facebook to see photos, schedule changes and more related to Children's and Youth Ministries!! Group Names: FLC Youth and FLC Children. We'd love to have more members!!

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 April-June are available for you to pick up from the usher's tables outside of the worship areas.

Social Concerns...

The **SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE** will host the **Lenten Soup Supper on April 3**. The free will offering for the meal will support **OAKS INDIAN MISSION**, as they seek funds to build a much needed new cottage on their campus. The meal will consist of four different hearty soups, sub sandwiches, veggies and dips, milk, coffee, and desserts. **Please come**, enjoy the fellowship, and contribute generously to this worthy cause!

FLC Youth...

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

Sell Butter Braids NOW!!

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We meet Wednesdays, 6:45pm-7:45pm @ Youth Room.



Sell Butter Braids NOW!!

9 to 12

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

Sell Butter Braids NOW!!

Variety Show & Pie Auction 3/24 @ 6pm. This will be our Youth Group meeting.

Community...

South Creek Fundraiser for Flood Victims: Sunday, March 24th from 4pm-7pm at South Creek Wedding & Events at 715 Grant Street, Blair. They will be having a Spaghetti Dinner and 100% of all monies donated will go to those locally affected by the floods. For more information please see the Community Bulletin Board.

The Heart of Camp Gala: A Benefit Event for Carol Joy Holling Camp on Saturday, April 6, 2019. It is held at La Vista Conference Center at 12520 Westport Parkway, La Vista, Nebraska

68128. Fellowship & Silent Auction at 5:00pm and Dinner & Live Auction at 7:00pm. Learn more and register at CarolJoyHolling.org/Gala.

28th Annual Spaghetti Dinner: Sunday, April 7th, 2019 from 5pm-7pm at the Blair Congregational Church, United Church of Christ at 16th and Colfax Streets. Spaghetti with homemade sauce, Bread, relish and homemade pies. For more information please see the Community Bulletin Board.

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

Worship Assistants for March 23 & 24

Greeters: 6pm Dick & Linda Trolson
8:15am & 10:15am Hospitality Teams
Lectors: 6pm Charlie Rohlfing
8:15am Joanne Kroh
10:15am Tracy Heffelfinger
Communion
Assistants: 10:15am Hospitality Team
Sacristy: 10:15am Merri Dibben
Coffee Hosts: Molly Stirek
TV Ministry: David & Emily Rasmussen

Scripture Readings for this week

Psalm 63:1-8
Luke 13:1-9

Scripture Readings for next week

Psalm 32
Luke 15:11b-32

This week at First Lutheran

Sun. Mar. 24 8:15am & 10:15am Worship
9:15am Sunday School for PreK-5th
9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal
9:30am Adult Bible Study
6pm Variety Show and Pie Auction
Mon. Mar. 25 7am Men's Bible Study
7pm Social Concerns Committee
Tue. Mar. 26 7pm Bible Study with Pastor Scott
Wed. Mar. 27 11am Office Hours Web Series
12 Noon Lenten Lunch
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. Mar. 28 6:30pm Men's Workshop
Fri. Mar. 29 9:30am Women's Bible Study
Sat. Mar. 30 6pm Worship
Sun. Mar. 31 8:15am & 10:15am Worship
9:15am Sunday School for PreK-5th
9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal
9:30am Adult Bible Study
6:30pm 9-12 Youth Group



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