



## First Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

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February 15 & 16, 2020

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](http://www.firstlutheranblair.org).

**We welcome into the body of Christ, Silas Ryan Costella** who will be baptized at the 6pm worship service. Silas's parents are Ryan & Anna. Silas's grandparents are Paul & Jean Hundtoft. His sponsors are John & Courtney Hundtoft and Tony & Jen Hundtoft.

### **Mid Week Meal @ FLC!!**

This meal is for everyone – no matter your income, your involvement, your need, or anything else – come to enjoy food and fellowship. You will ALWAYS leave with a full heart.

**EVERY Wednesday @ 5:30-6:30pm**

**FEBRUARY MENU:** 2/19 Sloppy Joes, 2/26 Mac N Cheese

**2020 Offering Envelope boxes** are available to be picked up in the Narthex.

**Bible study with Pastor Scott is on Tuesdays at 7pm in the Library. There will be no class on February 18th.** We will begin with a reading of *First Corinthians*, and a look at the early church. We have Bibles for those who need them, and no experience in Bible study is necessary. Reading the Bible with others is fun!

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.

### **FLC Youth GARAGE SALE!!**

It's coming back THIS SUMMER! Our fundraiser for the ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis will occur this summer, and we need YOUR STUFF! We are accepting any and all donations at the church – if you need someone to pick up your items, please talk to Erika to arrange. This was a huge success in 2018, and we hope to continue that success with our 2<sup>nd</sup> FLC Youth Garage Sale.

**If you have information for the March Ambassador please send it by February 17th to Dawn Andersen at [office@firstlutheranblair.org](mailto:office@firstlutheranblair.org).**



### **WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS**

✠ Family of Elaine Ahrens  
 ✠ Family of Delores Jensen  
 ✠ Family of Lois Wood  
 ✠ Del Hutton - healing  
 ✠ Les - healing  
 ✠ Patrick McKinnis - successful surgery and healing  
 ✠ Gabe Petersen  
 ✠ Lois Blobaum - healing  
 ✠ Dorothy Thomas  
 ✠ Joe & Tammy Fryman - healing  
 ✠ Blake Wilcox – prayers & healing  
 ✠ Stacy Thompson Green (daughter of Marcy Bottorff) – prayers & healing  
 ✠ Kenneth Wilson - heart surgery (father of Melody Dubon)  
 ✠ Roger Stork – healing  
 ✠ Lisa Garcia – strength & healing  
 ✠ Larry Kastrup – healing  
 ✠ Leo Aguilar-Hicks – healing for Leukemia  
 ✠ John Wolsmann  
 ✠ Pat Bentsen—Missionary  
 ✠ Lekura Parish  
 ✠ Habitat for Humanity  
*and all those we name in our hearts.*

### ASH WEDNESDAY Schedule

**Wednesday, February 26th**

7am-9am	Drive thru Ashes Imposition Located in east parking lot outside Fellowship Hall
12pm	Ash Wednesday Worship with Imposition of Ashes Followed by soup luncheon
5:30pm-6:30pm	Mid Week Meal served by FLC Youth – Erika’s Mac N Cheese w/ desserts!!
6:15pm	Ash Wednesday Worship with Imposition of Ashes <b><u>LIFE Night Classes will begin after Worship</u></b>

### **Children’s Ministries Bibles**

Have your children outgrown their Spark children’s Bibles from the church? Please consider donating them back to FLC so we can use them in our classroom sets. We are trying to equip all our classrooms (PreK – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) with 1 Bible/child. Contact Erika for more information.

**Omaha Campus Ministry is inviting financial support for the upcoming year. The narthex has the Campus Minis-"TREE" that has pictures and envelopes of the ministry the young adults have enjoyed. Please consider supporting this ministry by taking an envelope from the tree. Thank you for your support.**

**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.

**Parenting by Text Conversations with Pastor Scott on being a parent in a digital world--HEARTLAND TASTING ROOM, 6 pm on Thursdays: February 27, March 26, and April 23. Anyone who wants to have a drink and chat about parenting is invited. Please sign up at the Welcome Center. Anyone that is planning to attend and needs child care please call the church office at 402-426-4073.**

**If you are part of a group at First Lutheran that is interested in serving one of the Lenten meals, please contact Dawn in the church office to reserve a date. Thank you!**

Car pools and car crashed. Job changes and frustrations. Life can feel overwhelming and inconsequential at times. But there’s more to your story than the chaos, confusion, and clutter of daily life. The Wednesday LIFE Night women’s Bible study will be starting a new Bible study entitled “**More to Your Story**” by Max Lucado. This study combines a video and study guide as Max Lucado guides you through the events of the New Testament to show you that there’s more to your story than you ever imagined. Join us as we discover our unique path in God’s grand saga. If interested, contact Susie Pinquoch, [spinquoch@gpcom.net](mailto:spinquoch@gpcom.net).

### **Social Concerns...**

**FLC will be providing staffing at the Washington County Recycling Center on Saturday, February 22 from 8:00am – noon. A sign-up sheet is available on the Welcome Center. We will staff two shifts 8am-10am and 10am – noon. Children are welcome – we recommend**

joining with a parent if under age 14. A BIG THANKS goes out to the many FLC “regulars” who staff the facility every week!

**The First Week total is: 312.** It’s February and **“Have a Heart for Hunger” at FLC is here!**

This will be our 8<sup>th</sup> year and we hope you can help to make it the best year yet! We’ve set a goal of collecting 2500 items for the **Washington County Food Pantry**, and will continue our tradition of weekly focus and special needs items. As you make your shopping lists for the coming month please consider remembering our friends and neighbors who may be in need by picking up a few items for this great cause. You can bring these weekly or all at once and place them in the grocery cart by the display in the narthex. If you would prefer not to shop, you can provide a cash donation by picking up an envelope that will be on the display table and leaving your contribution in the offering plate or at the office, designated for this effort. Each dollar donated will count as one item in reaching our goal. Sunday School and Life Night kids—be on the watch for your ability to participate in a special way! **\*Special Needs items all month (count double toward the goal) include: canned spaghetti sauce, hamburger/tuna helper, pancake syrup, pancake mix, cereal, and toilet paper.**

**Focus Weeks include:**

Week 3 (Feb 15-22): “CAN/JAR WEEK” Bring any type of canned goods including soups, vegetables, tuna, and fruit or items in jars such as jellies, jams, and sauces.

Week 4 (Feb 23-29): “HOUSEHOLD WEEK” Bring items that are needed for the household such as soaps, laundry detergents, shampoos, sanitary products, diapers, and toilet paper.

Look for the display, and **please “Have a Heart for Hunger”!**

**“Help Wanted”:** Looking for individuals who truly care about their communities and the world around us with a desire to serve in a meaningful way. The FLC Social Concerns Committee is seeking additional volunteers to join us as we fulfill our purpose of 1) Disseminating information about social issues; 2) Providing opportunities for members of FLC to minister to those who have special and immediate needs; and 3) Providing opportunities for members of FLC to work as advocates for the poor and disadvantaged. We are an active committee who generally meet the last Monday evening of the month. If you’d like to learn more and/or join us please contact Lynette Jennings (402-278-0164 / brianlynj@abbnebraska.com) or John Mark Nielsen (402-427-4443/ jmnielsen@abbnebraska.com).

**FLC Youth...**

**678**

Confirmation Wednesdays 645-8pm

**Service Plunges!!**

Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 8am-4pm

Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 8am-4pm

**I WILL NEED ADULT DRIVERS!!**

Signup @ Youth Nook in Fellowship Hall



**9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Grades**

Wednesdays 645-8pm @ Youth Room

**9 to 12**

Every other Sunday 6:30-8pm @ Youth Room

Next meeting – February 23<sup>rd</sup>

## Women's News...

**Love Days:** Love Days are planned for February 18th and 19th from 8-12 in the morning along with every Tuesday morning every month. You can be a part of this wonderful experience in sharing with others the joy of giving to our many missions local and overseas! Remember items for kits that Wanda is collecting which we can now store in our own Quilt Room in the basement!

## Community...

**Soup Fellowship:** Sunday, February 16th from 11:30am-1:30pm at Emmaus Lutheran Church at 4th and Maple Street in Kennard, NE. For more information please see 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 February 15 & 16

**Greeters:** 6pm Sandy Sonderup and Vaughn Christensen  
8:15am & 10:15am Hospitality Teams  
**Lectors:** 6pm Esther Gunderson  
8:15am Renee Sheets  
10:15am Shelly Schwedhelm  
**Communion**  
**Assistants:** 6pm Sandy Sonderup and Vaughn Christensen  
8:15am & 10:15am Hospitality Teams  
**Sacristy:** 6pm Carl & Marla Rennerfeldt  
8:15am Dave & Renee Sheets  
10:15am Karen Clements  
**Coffee Hosts:** Church Council  
**TV Ministry:** Ryan, Brenda, Ryleigh, & Brooklyn Schroeter

### Scripture Readings for this week

Deuteronomy 30:15-20  
Matthew 5:21-37

### Scripture Readings for next week

Exodus 24:12-18  
Matthew 17:1-9

### This week at First Lutheran

**Sun. Feb. 16** 8:15am & 10:15am Worship  
9:15am Sunday School PreK-5th grade  
9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal  
9:30am Property Committee  
**Mon. Feb. 17** 7am Men's Bible Study  
**Tue. Feb. 18** **8am-12 Noon Love Days**  
**Wed. Feb. 19** **8am-12 Noon Love Days**  
11am Office Hours Web Series  
**LIFE Night**  
5:30pm Meal  
6:15pm Worship  
6:45pm Classes PreK-8th  
6:45pm Niners & Tennesseans  
6:50pm Women's Bible Study  
**Thu. Feb. 20** 6:30pm Men's Workshop  
**Fri. Feb. 21** 9:30am Women's Bible Study  
**Sat. Feb. 22** 6pm Worship  
**Sun. Feb. 23** 8:15am & 10:15am Worship  
9:15am Sunday School PreK-5th grade  
9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal  
6:30pm 9-12 Youth Group



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