



First Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

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March 14 & 15, 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.

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

March 18th Menu: Goulash and desserts served by Children's Ministries Team.

FLC Variety Show and Pie Auction is coming!!

Sunday, March 29th at 3pm @ LIFE Center

Please share your talents with us!! Are you a magician? Are you a singer? Do you play an instrument? Are you a comedian? Do you have any God-given talent you would love to share with us? We want to see it!! Talk to Erika!!

Bible study with Pastor Scott is on Tuesdays at 7pm in the Library. 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 2nd FLC Youth Garage Sale.

Order BUTTER BRAIDS!!

FLC Youth are serving Butter Braids NOW!! Contact any FLC Youth or stop by the table in the narthex before/after worship to get yours for Easter!! Orders due by March 18th, Delivery March 31st. Thank you!



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

- ✠ Family of Lois Blobaum
- ✠ Tim Jensen - healing
- ✠ Kay Melby (Angela Ulven and Kari Hernandez's mother) - healing
- ✠ Marilyn Swanson - healing
- ✠ Mr. S. Akot - healing
- ✠ Del Hutton - healing
- ✠ Les - healing
- ✠ Patrick McKinnis - successful surgery and 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.



Gardening Workshop Scheduled for First Lutheran: As a part of the program for the Social Concerns Committee, First Lutheran Church will be hosting its second annual 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 Tuesday evening, March 31st 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@abbnebraska.com. There is no preregistration asked.

Painting Class for Mothers: In honor of all mothers. I would like to offer a free acrylic painting pour class on May 9th from 10am-12 Noon in the Ark at First Lutheran. Anyone interested can please call Carol Kuhfahl at 712-310-6648.

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

2020 CENSUS begins March 12! Please complete the census (online or using the paper questionnaire) in the next few weeks. With 330 million people in the country, the Census is important to help us govern and live together. Please fill out the Census by April 27, 2020.

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.

Lent Noon Lunch and Devotions: Please join us each Wednesday during Lent for lunch and devotions from noon to 1pm. All are welcome. Please join us!

“Every gift from God reveals his love, but no gift reveals his love more than the gifts of the cross.” The Wednesday LIFE Night Women’s Bible study have begun a Lenten study entitled “He Chose Nails” by Max Lucado. The study guide includes video discussion questions, Bible exploration, and personal study and reflection materials for in-between sessions. Come join us as we unwrap these gifts, pause and listen for His voice, and hear him whisper, “I did it just for you.” Contact Susie Pinquoch (spinquoch@gpcom.net) if additional information is needed.

50th Wedding Anniversary Party: Jim and Ruth Peterson will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, March 15th, 2020 from 2:00pm to 5:00pm at the Blair Public Library and Technology Center, 2233 Civic Drive, Blair. Please join Jim and Ruth to help them celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Social Concerns...

Great job FLC! We finished up our 8th Annual Have a Heart for Hunger campaign strong with a reportable total of 2251 items. That's an awful lot of spaghetti sauce, toilet paper, hamburger helper, pancake syrup, cereal and a whole lot more! Because of each and every one of you, our local food pantry is stocked up to serve our neighbors in need. Would you like to continue your support through out the year? You may leave your contributions in the Food Pantry box in the narthex at any time. In addition, if you shop at Family Fare, please bring in your receipts. You may "DIRECT YOUR DOLLARS" to the food pantry helping them to earn up to \$1000 of additional support. Please note – the entire receipt must be turned in – there is a box inside the Food Pantry receptacle waiting for your receipts.

The FLC Social Concerns Committee will be serving our traditional Lenten Meal on March 25th. Our menu will consist of a variety of tasty soups along with sub sandwiches and dessert. Please plan to join us and lend your support with all free will donations going to The Bridge. The Bridge provides services for individuals and families who experience domestic abuse, dating violence, and sexual assault in five counties – Burt, Cuming, Dodge, Saunders and Washington. We look forward to seeing you there!

Women...

The Metro East Spring Gathering will be held at Lord of Love Lutheran Church (104 & Fort Streets in Omaha) on Saturday, April 18th from 9:00-3:00. Come and enjoy a day with friends, fellowship, and good food. Spring Gatherings give you the opportunity to refuel, refresh, and relax! Bible Study Leader: Rev. Dr. Chris Alexander. Workshop Opportunities: Beekeeping, Community Gardens, Recycling, and Pollinator Gardens! Registration forms available on the Women's Table and in the church office. If you have never gone to a Spring Gathering, we have Four Scholarships available for first-time participants! The scholarships cover the \$18 registration fee! Please turn in your completed registration form to Dawn in the church office by April 5th so we can meet the April 11th deadline.

Love Days: Love Days are planned for March 17th and 18th from 8am-12 Noon 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!

FLC Youth...

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Confirmation Wednesdays 645-8pm

Service Plunges!!

Friday, April 10th, 8am-4pm

I WILL NEED ADULT DRIVERS!!

Signup @ Youth Nook in Fellowship Hall



9th & 10th Grades

Wednesdays 645-8pm @ Youth Room

9 to 12

Every other Sunday 6:30-8pm @ Youth Room
No meeting this week!

Community...

Blair Community Blood Drive: Saturday, March 21, 2020 from 7:30am to 12 Noon at the Blair City Hall-Council Chambers. Questions Ashlyn at 426-3823. Please see the Community Bulletin Board for more information.

The Heart of Camp Gala: A Benefit Event for Carol Joy Holling Camp on Saturday, April 4, 2020. It is held at La Vista Conference Center at 12520 Westport Parkway, La Vista, Nebraska 68128. Learn more and register at CarolJoyHolling.org/Gala.

*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 14 & 15

Greeters: 6pm Dick & Linda Trolson
8:15am & 10:15am Hospitality Teams
Lectors: 6pm Vaughn Christensen
8:15am Mike Jones
10:15am Ann Grinbergs
Communion
Assistants: 6pm Dick & Linda Trolson
8:15am & 10:15am Hospitality Teams
Sacristy: 6pm Sandy Sonderup
8:15am Michael Jones
Coffee Hosts: Church Council-Denise Work
TV Ministry: Ryan, Brenda, Ryleigh, &
Brooklyn Schroeter

Scripture Readings for this week

Romans 6:1-5
John 4

Scripture Readings for next week

Psalms 23
Luke 5:3-6

This week at First Lutheran

Sun. Mar. 15 8:15am & 10:15am Worship
9:15am Sunday School PreK-5th grade
9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal
9:30am Property Committee
5pm Youth Team
Mon. Mar. 16 7am Men's Bible Study
Tue. Mar. 17 **8am-12 Noon Love Days**
7pm Bible Study with Pastor Scott
Wed. Mar. 18 **8am-12 Noon Love Days**
11am Office Hours Web Series
12 Noon Lenten Lunch and Devotion
LIFE Night
5:30pm Meal
6:15pm Worship
6:45pm Classes PreK-8th
6:45pm Niners & Tanners
6:50pm Women's Bible Study
Thu. Mar. 19 6:30pm Men's Workshop
Fri. Mar. 20 9:30am Women's Bible Study
Sat. Mar. 21 6pm Worship
Sun. Mar. 22 8:15am & 10:15am Worship
9:15am Sunday School PreK-5th grade
9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal
1pm 1st Communion Class
6:30pm 9-12 Youth Group



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