



First Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

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February 4 & 5, 2012

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.

We welcome into the body of Christ, Mara Ann Reimers and Kal-el Donald Delaney. Mara's parents are Joshua & Antonia Reimers. Her sponsors are Scott Schmalcken, Mike Reimers and Connie Reimers-Hild. Kal-el's parents are Matthew & Paige Delaney. His sponsors are Keith Green and Rachel Cameron.

ABC's Valentine Dinner will be held Sunday, February 12th with the meal beginning at 6pm. Total cost of the meal will be divided by those in attendance (approximately \$10/person). To make a reservation, please contact the church office or call Lorraine Hansen at 402-426-4541.

The Mission & Evangelism Committee is planning a **Progressive Meal**. If this is something that interests you, please join us for a **planning meeting** this Thursday, February 9th at 6:30pm in the Library. See you there!

The funeral for Della Ray funeral will be here at First Lutheran on Monday, February 6th at 10:30am.

ATTENTION High School Seniors and College Students: The Christian Growth Board is accepting scholarship applications for the 2012-13 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 counter in the church office. **The deadline to submit an application is March 1, 2012.**



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

- †The family of Della Ray
 - †Betty Wolsmann - recovery
 - †Joe Anderson - surgery recovery
 - †Julane Sampson - surgery recovery
 - †Harriet Palle
 - †Teena Wilson - recovery
 - †Myron Johnson - cancer surgery
 - †Dave Horkey
 - †Marina Bravo - surgery
 - †Kristen Schultz - cancer
 - †Marvin Dinsmore - cancer
 - †Pat Kaup - brother of Pam Ramspott
 - †Claire Foral - 3 year old, healing
 - †Bud Sidebottom
 - †Levi Coon - 14 month old for healing
 - †Steve Tonn - healing for cancer
 - †Nancy Oudheusden
 - †Phil Pagel - healing
 - †Arland Gross-cancer
 - †Joel Kolterman-healing
 - †Ron Sorensen-healing
 - †For those who are electricians
 - †Jeff Bennett-military
 - †James Jensen-military
 - †Michael Jensen-military
 - †Sean Scott-military
 - †Donny Smith-military
 - †Kevin Kersey-military
 - †Jeff Davis-military
 - †Andrew Wacker - military
 - †For Pastor Mike and Sandy Terry as they travel to Tanzania
- ...and all those we name in our hearts.*

Copies of the **February Ambassador Newsletter** are available for you to pick up today from the Usher's Tables outside of the worship areas.

2011 Year-end Financial Statements are ready to be picked-up from the in the Gathering Area. Please help us defer postage costs by picking yours up today. Thank you!

Offering envelopes are available in the narthex. If you are expecting envelopes and do not see them on the table, please contact Jill Hennick in the church office.

"Mystery" is the theme for the **Variety Show**. It will be held on February 19th starting at 6:00. The youth will be serving a meal with the show to follow. Funds raised will help support the travel fund for the trip to the National Youth Gathering this summer. Look for the sign-up sheet on the FLY table. We are seeking all varieties of talent—all ages welcome! Show us your talent!. Come and enjoy the 'mystery' of the show.



First Lutheran Church is blessed to be a Stephen Ministry congregation. We have skilled Christian caring friends available to walk with you during a time of crisis or other need. Please contact Rhonda Matney, Pat Gregory or one of the pastors if you are interested in more information about this ministry.

Planning for a Baptism in the near future? Please contact the church office to sign-up for the upcoming Baptism Class scheduled for Sunday, February 12th at 9:30am. Any parent planning a baptism is asked to attend one of these classes prior to a baptism being held at First Lutheran. To sign-up for class and schedule a date for a baptism, please contact Wendy in the church office at 426-4073. Thank you!

If you would like to provide flowers for the altar or TV ministry for a week, please sign– up for a date on the calendars located on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

Friendship Bracelets for our Friends in Lekura Parish Tanzania. Pastor Mike and Sandy Terry will deliver our gifts to Lekura. You can help with a gift towards the cost of the bracelets. See the jar located outside of the worship are to place your donation.

Youth...

The youth are serving **LIFE Night meals** from 5:00 to 6:15 each **Wednesday**. Help support them with a free will offering. Proceeds go to the Youth travel fund. Come enjoy a good meal. Menu for Feb. 8 - Spaghetti, Feb. 15 - Ham & Cheesy Potatoes, Feb 22 - Ash Wednesday - Another committee will cook, Feb 29 - Soup

6th, 7th & 8th Graders - **Cosmic Bowling** February 25th, 7 to 9. Sign up on the FLY table.

Social Concerns...

Help the Social Concerns Committee build a Soup Mountain! To mark this year's Super Bowl, we are building a mountain out of soup cans to help the Washington County Food Pantry. Please bring cans of soup (or other canned goods) from February 4 through February 12. Keep an eye out for our display in the narthex.

Mark February 25th on your calendars as FLC's next day to staff the **Washington County Recycling Center**. A sheet will be put out in the coming weeks for volunteers to sign up.

Women...

Circle Meetings: Tuesday, February 7 at 7pm: Ruth Circle - We will meet at First Lutheran Church in the Library. Co-hostess is Elaine Gregory. The lesson will be led by Trudy Hutton.

Wednesday, February 8: Esther Circle - will meet at noon in the Ark. Bring your lunch and join us! **Lois & Naomi Circle** - We will meet at the home of Mary Weckmuller, 2026 Northridge Circle. Co-hostess is Florence Larsen. The lesson will be led by Dorothy Thomas
**If unable to attend please notify the hostess.*

Wild Women Retreat: Royal Identity - March 9-11 at Carol Joy Holling Center, Ashland, NE. Come join us for fun activities learning about our royal identity as a part of the Kingdom of God! Spa Relaxation, Evening Tea, Bible Study, Fellowship & Gathering. Find details and registration at www.caroljoyholling.org. Register soon!

Community...

Soup's On...The Women of Emmaus Lutheran Church invite you to attend their Annual Soup Luncheon! Sunday, February 12th from 11am-1pm. For more information, please see the Community Bulletin Board.

Are you a mom raising school-aged kids and seeking friendship, information, and/or support from other moms? Come and experience **MOMSnex**!! **MOMSnex** is a Christian ministry for all mothers of school-aged kids. Moms come, just as they are, to experience authentic community, personal growth, practical help, and spiritual hope. **When:** 2nd Tuesday of each month, 9:30-11:30am. **Where:** Country Bible Church, north of Blair on Hwy 75. **Note:** Free childcare provided for younger children. **Questions?** Please check www.momsnexblair.org or contact **Erika Cada** 402-533-4607 or elcada@huntel.net

Attention all Adult Current / Former Girl Scouts: We'd like to recognize you during the upcoming 100th Anniversary of Girl Scouting and see how big our Girl Scouting community really is. We are creating a comprehensive list of those adult current/former Girl Scouts in Blair and the surrounding area. We'd like your name, # of and actual years in Scouting, the communit(ies) in which you participated, and a favorite memory if you have one. Please share your information by contacting Lynette Jennings via email at brianlynj@abbnebraska.com or by

phone at 426-9874 no later than February 27th. Also mark your calendars for a 100th Anniversary Tea to be held on March 11, 2012 at First United Methodist Church in Blair. Contact Jane VanHorn at 533-2530 for more information and to get registered.

The FLC Nursery Schedule:
Sunday Mornings: the Nursery is not staffed, but the room is open for your use during worship services.
Wednesday Evenings: The Nursery is staffed from 6-8pm

Worship Assistants for February 4 & 5

Greeters: 6pm Dale & Terry Paulsen
 8:15 & 10:45am Hospitality Teams
Lectors: 6pm Marla Rennerfeldt
 8:15am Mike Jones
 10:45am Richard Jorgensen
Communion
Assistants: 6pm Wes & Esther Gunderson
 8:15 & 10:45am Hospitality Teams
Sacristy: 6pm Dale & Terry Paulsen
 8:15am Jim & LeAnn Iseminger
 10:45am Ed & Pam Ramspott
Coffee Hosts: Rod & Pat Hansen
TV Ministry: In honor of Gabby's 18th birthday given by Ellie Mommsen

Scripture Readings for this week

Isaiah 40:21-31
 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c
 1 Corinthians 9:16-23
 Mark 1:29-39

Scripture Readings for February 11 & 12

2 Kings 5:1-14
 Psalm 30
 1 Corinthians 9:24-27
 Mark 1:40-45

This week at First Lutheran

Sun. Feb. 5 8:15 & 10:45 Worship
 9:30am Sunday School
 9:45am Adult Choir
Mon. Feb. 6 7am Men's Bible Study
 5pm Good Tidings Open House
 6:30pm Christian Ed. Committee
Tues. Feb. 7 9am Staff Meeting
 6:30pm Faith Builders
 6:30pm Good Tidings Game Night
 6:30pm Stephen Ministry
Wed. Feb. 8 **Good Tidings Conferences**
 7:30am Wednesday Bible Study
 9:45am Mother-to-Mother Bible St.
 LIFE Night
 5pm Meal
 6:15pm Worship
 7pm Learning Time
 7pm New Member Class
 8pm Bell Choir
Thurs. Feb. 9 **Good Tidings Conferences**
 6:30pm Mission & Evangelism
Fri. Feb. 10 9:30am Women's Bible Study
Sat. Feb. 11 7am Men's Breakfast
 6pm Worship
Sun. Feb. 12 8:15 & 10:45 Worship
 9:30am Sunday School
 9:30am Baptism Class
 9:45am Adult Choir
 Council Retreat
 6pm ABC's Valentine Dinner