



Weekly Communique

March 23, 2025

 **Blair First United Methodist Church**
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Taizé Lenten Services

March 26, April 2, and 9

@ 7:00 pm



This Lent, you are invited to join us Wednesday evenings to experience the silence and to feel the presence of God, through songs, scripture, and communion. The services will conclude by about 7:30 each night, and give you a chance to step back and listen for the voice of God.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Next Week's Calendar (pg. 2)
Full Calendar of events may be found on our website.

Sunday, March 23rd, 9:30 AM, Worship - Camp Sunday
(Live Stream and In-Person).

Guest Speaker: Jane Van Horn
Sunday School in session.
Nursery is available.

Coffee Fellowship
Following Worship in Fellowship Hall.

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 10:10-13, Luke 13:1-9
Message: "Mulligan of Life"

Wednesday Night Community Dinner
March 26th - 5:00-6:30 PM
Menu: Pork Carnitas, Rice, Street Corn, and Dessert.
Served by Camp Fontanelle.

Good Friday Service

Friday, April 18th @ Noon
Location: First Lutheran Church

Sponsored by the Washington County Ministerial Association



**Maundy Thursday Worship
with Holy Communion**
April 17 @7:00 PM

Easter Worship Services

Sunday, April 20th

6:30 AM - Outdoor Sunrise

Worship in the Worship Pavilion

9:30 AM - Worship Service

in the Sanctuary

11:00 AM - Worship Service

in the Sanctuary



Those Serving This Sunday, March 16th

Guest Speaker: Jane Van Horn
Music Leadership: Allison Matson
Chancel Choir / Song Leader: Glenn Coates
Audio/Visual

Online Worship Team Coordinator: Gabe Goeken
Cameras and Screens: Layla Kern and Mia Kern
Soundboard and Soundcheck: Kevin Fleming

Nursery: Samantha Geise Acolyte: Braxson Beaty
Connections Team: Leader: Roger and Linda Howland
Volunteers: Ron and Joleene Rewerts

Coffee Fellowship: Monica Hirchert
Sunday School is in session.



Church Has Left the Building

Sunday, April 27th, we will have a short worship service, then go out in groups to help our neighbors. At noon, we will all meet back at church for lunch.

We need your help by telling us what we can do to help you out. Trimming bushes, pulling

weeds, spreading mulch, cleaning out gutters, cleaning garages, something in your home, painting, the list goes on and on.

Call the church office, 402-426-2165 or Susan Poling 402-533-2702 and let us know what you need help with or if you have any questions.

Then in early April, we will let the congregation know what needs to be done, and you can choose what you want to help with.

Ways to Serve

Altar Flower Sign-Up

More than one person or family may sign up for a Sunday. Sign up on the counter in the narthex or call the office 402-426-2165.

We are collecting toiletries for Joseph's Coat:

We have an ongoing collection of travel size toiletries that we donate throughout the year. See our website for more information.

All Church Recycling May 10, 2025 - 8AM-Noon At the Washington County Recycling Center

Two shifts are available or you may work all morning. Children are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. Sign up near the church office in mid April.

Announcements

"Only churches who do effective planned giving today will be able to afford a pastor and building tomorrow. And tomorrow is coming fast. It is predicted that in the next ten years, 40% of Protestant churches will close."

Attorney Andrew Loudon - January 2025.

Office Closings due to Inclement Weather

Reminder: When inclement weather closes the Blair Public Schools the Church Office will be closed and all activities will be cancelled. Announcements will be made on Facebook and WOWT, Channel 6.

Please friend Danielle Jensen's Family Ministries Facebook page for Youth and Children's Ministry updates.

[Facebook](#)

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Easter Lily Orders Due this Sunday, March 23rd



Forms may be found at church or call the office 402-426-2165.



6th-12th Grade

Release form must be signed by a parent for each Youth and Friend attending the Lock-In. Late Check in 9 - 9:30 PM on Friday, March 21st.

Friday 3/21—Saturday 3/22
9:00pm-7:00am Youth Lock-in

Sunday 3/23
Change for Change

Children will collect spare change from the congregation in special buckets prior to Children's Time to be donated to that month's ministry/organization.

9:30am Sunday School

After Children's Time, PreK-6th grade will be dismissed to class. 7th-12th will dismiss during Change for Change & meet in the Youth Room.

If you or an immediate family member is in the hospital and need a visit, please notify the Office.



Easter Baking Kits Food Drive Are Due March 31st

For the month of March, we will be collecting items for Easter Baking Kits for the Washington County Food Pantry.

These will be the same as we've done for Christmas Baking Kits in the past.

Make a complete kit or purchase individual items to be assembled later.

Flour (5lb bag)
Brown Sugar
Vanilla
Sprinkles

Sugar (4lb bag)
Chocolate Chips
Baking Powder

This Week at Blair 1st...

Sunday, March 23rd: 9:30AM: Worship - Camp Sunday.

Easter Lily Orders due today.

Sunday School is in session. Nursery is available.

Coffee Fellowship following Worship. - 6:00 PM: Cribbage - FH.

Monday, March 24th:

6:30 PM: "Witness at the Cross" Lenten Bible Study - P

Wednesday, March 26th:

5:00 - 6:30 PM: Wednesday Night Community Dinner. (Pork Carnitas, rice, street corn, dessert)

6:00 PM: Celebration Bells - P

7:00 PM: Taizé Worship Service - S.

Following Worship: Chancel Choir -S

Thursday, March 27th: 5:30 PM T.O.P.S. - FH

Friday, March 28th: Office Closed.

S = Sanctuary

P = Parlor

LL = Lower Level

FH = Fellowship Hall