

Communique

October 27, 2024

Blair First United Methodist Church

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Annual Charge Conference November 3, 2024 • 2:30 - 4:30 PM

Location: First United Methodist Church 815 N Broad St, Fremont, NE

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

We are collecting items for The Bridge. The Bridge provides services for individuals and families who experience domestic abuse, dating violence and sexual assault in five Nebraska counties counties - Burt, Cuming, Dodge, Saunders and

Washington.



We will be collecting diapers, wipes, and feminine products during October to help those in need.

Bring your items and place them on the ledge outside the Sanctuary. Thank you for your caring assistance.

Pursuing God Bible Study Beginning Monday, October 28 • 6:30 PM in the Parlor If you've hit a wall in your faith walk, or you feel like your

relationship with God lacks passion, join Bible teacher Margaret Feinberg through the books of Genesis and the Gospel of John in pursuit of a God who restores our faith in his love.

Both Genesis and the Gospel of John are written to spark your desire into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. This is a 12-session Bible study (six sessions each for Genesis and John). We will continue this study until Nov. 18, then resume after the Advent Study "Light of the World" by Amy Jill Levine. Pursuing God will then resume January 6, 2025.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

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

Sunday, October 27: 9:30 AM, Worship, (Live Stream and In-Person).

Rev. Doug Griger

9:30 AM: Sunday School. Students are dismissed from Worship to their classrooms after Children's Time.

Coffee Fellowship

Following Worship in Fellowship Hall.

Scripture: Mark 10:46-52

Message: "Ask Not What Your Faith Can Do For You..."

Those Serving This Sunday, October 27

Music Leadership – Allison Matson

Song Leader - Glenn Coates

Celebration Bell Choir – Jeff Mount

Audio/Visual:

Online Worship Team Coordinator - Gabe Goeken

Cameras and Screens –Mia Kern / Layla Kern

Soundboard and Soundcheck – Gabe Goeken

Connections Team:

Leader: Dick Goeken

Volunteers: Alan and Ann Hackerott

Flowers: NA

Coffee Fellowship: Hirchert Family Acolytes: Lindsey and Jake Grabowski

Nursery: Samantha Geise Sunday School is in session.

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. Visit the link to see the list: Volunteer/Serve

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Volunteer for
All Church Recycling
At Washington County
Recycling Center

Date: Nov. 9 8:00 - Noon

Two shifts available or work all morning: 8-10 AM and 10 AM - Noon.

Children may work as long as they are accompanied by an adult. Sign Up near Church Office or Call the Office 402-426-2165

Announcements

Change for Change October collection will benefit:

World Communion Sunday Offering.



Festival of Trees

The trees are due back to the church by November 3rd.

Volunteers Needed To Clean Church

Please sign up near the Church Office. New sign up dates have been added.

Questions: 402.426.2165

FAMILYministry



Youth CONNECT 6th-8th Grade

Starts October 30th Meeting in the Youth Room.

Join CONNECT on Wednesday

CONNECT Schedule: October 30.
November 6, 13, 20.
No CONNECT November 27.

All children Pre-K-5th grade, are invited to join us on Wednesday nights from 6:30 pm - 7:30pm.

We will meet downstairs in the chapel and then split into two groups: Pre-K-2nd & 3rd-5th grade.

Check out our Facebook page for updates, including the 28-Day Pumpkin Prayer Challenge!



Please like our new FaceBook page "Blair First United Methodist Church"

- the one with the picture of our Stained Glass Window.

Our FaceBook account with the bobble head John Wesley and our group with the leaves as the cover photo are both going away soon.

PLEASE NOTE: Live Streaming will still be broadcast on fumc.blair.5

until our new page is 60 days old (mid-December).

Our college students will soon be taking "Fall Semester Final Exams". Let's send them some cheer and well wishes as they study!

If you would like to donate we will be collecting money for gift cards until November 27th. You can drop your donation in the offering box on Sunday, mail it or stop by the office with it. Please mark your envelope/check with "College Student Gift Cards" so it gets to the correct place.

Thanks for your support!

Diane Highfill highfill5@me.com Caring Card Coordinator



Weekly Happenings

(Please submit any entries to the office by Wednesday, 3:00pm)

Sunday, October 27: 9:30AM, Worship (Live Stream & In-Person).

9:30 AM Sunday School (PreK-1st); (2nd-6th); (7th & 8th) - Nursery available.

11:30 AM: Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Hall).

6:00 PM: Cribbage (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, October 28: 6:30 PM "Pursuing God" Study on Genesis & John. All are welcome. (Parlor) Wednesday, October 30: 11:00 AM Organ Tuning (Sanctuary).

5:00-6:30 PM: Wednesday Night Community Dinner: "Taco Bar" (Fellowship Hall).

6:00 PM Celebration Bells Rehearsal (Sanctuary).

6:30-7:30 PM CONNECT (PreK-5th gather in the Chapel; 6th-8th meet in the Youth Room).

7:00 PM: Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary).

Thursday, October 31: 5:30 PM TOPS (Fellowship Hall).

Friday, November 1: Office Closed.

October Worship Photos

Baptisms, Acolyte Dedication, 3rd Grade Bible Presentation, and Volunteers In Mission.



Baptism of Alexis and Delayne Dillenburg, daughters of Arlo and Amy Dillenburg on Sunday, October 13.

Pictured with Rev. Doug are sponsors Kyla Dillenburg and Heath Burmeister, siblings Nevaeh Creek-Dillenburg and Dakota Dillenburg.

3rd Grade Bible Presentation



Danielle Jensen presents Bibles to our 3rd Graders by unwrapping the many layers of this sacred book. Those receiving Bibles: (L to R) Skylar Bacon, Claire Hansen, Blakelee Fischer, and Henry Hansen.

Scripture (pictured below) was read by Rhett Fischer,

Will Bacon, and Braxson Beaty.







Acolyte Dedication

Acolytes: (back row, L to R) Braxson Beaty,
Rhett Fischer, Will Bacon, Khloe Gillespie,
Jake Grabowski, Owen Matson,
Joel Matson, and Lindsey Grabowski
(front row, L to R) Skylar Bacon and
Blakelee Fischer.

Also dedicated: Olive Bruck and Greyson Nixon..



Emergency Rescue Team Help Tropical Storm Helene Victims

Ten volunteers from the Great Plains Conference, (including Susan Poling, back row center), along with additional workers from the Mississippi and Minnesota conferences, spent a week of work in recovery from Tropical Storm Helene. The group worked in Greenwood, South Carolina.

They were helping homeowners with debris removal and helping families search for their personal belongings, as well as spending time with homeowners building relationships with them.



2024



WE **GIVE** SO THAT WE MAY FULFILL OUR VISION TO: **GATHER** To Thrive In Community. **GROW** To Be Like Jesus.

GO To Be Hope
Give->Gather->Grow->Go->

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 All Saints Sunday 9:30 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion, In-Person and Live Streaming. 9:30 AM Sunday School. Coffee Fellowship following worship. 2:30-4:30 PM Charge Conference. 1st UMC in Fremont. 6:00 PM Cribbage (FH)	4 6:30 PM Study: Pursuing God (Parlor)	9:30 Faithful Bookworms (Parlor) * * * * ELECTION 2924	6 5:00-6:30 PM Community Meal Menu: Spaghetti Casseroles 6:00 PM Celebration Bells (Sanctuary) 6:30-7:30 PM CONNECT Children (Meet in Chapel) & Youth (Youth Room) 7:00 Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)	7 5:30 PM TOPS (Fellowship Hall)	8 Office Closed	9 7:30 AM U.M. Men. (@ Decarlo Diner, Modale, Ia. Carpool from church at 7:15 AM) 8:00-Noon All Church Volunteer @ Washington Co. Recycling Center
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