



1st Church in Blair

A United Methodist Ministry

Weekly
Communique

July 5th, 2026

The New Pavers are in!



...to all who
purchased the
new pavers.
A special thank

you to Greg Stewart, Rhett
Fischer and Braxson Beaty for the
installation!

Donations for June Change for Change:

Lydia Patterson Institute: **\$363.04**

July Change for Change:

Camp Scholarships



Coming Up in August

"Pack the Pantry" Food Drive

Saturday, August 8th

8a.m. to Noon

Family Fare Parking Lot

Volunteer sign up mid July.

Crop Walk

Saturday August 15th

8a.m.

Blair First UMC and First Lutheran

More information to come.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP - July 5th

Full Calendar of events may be found on our website.

9:30 AM - Worship- In Person and Live Streaming

Rev. Dr. Doug Griger

Nursery is available. Busy bags will be available.

Coffee Fellowship - following worship in Fellowship Hall

Scripture: Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Message: "Embrace the Grace"

Those Serving This Sunday, July 5th

Pianist: Kay Dickinson

Audio/Visual

Online Worship Team Coordinator: Layla Kern

Camera: Mia Kern

Soundboard and Soundcheck: Kevin Fleming

Connections Team: Roger and Linda Howland

Volunteers: Chad and Jenny Bruck

Acolyte: NA

Nursery: Samantha Geise

Communion Stewards: Marcia Hall, Mary Stewart

Communion Celebrants: Jacque Fischer, Rhett Fischer

Coffee Fellowship: Lila Dillenburg, Roger and Linda Howland

Flowers: Happy 96th Birthday, to my mom, Isabelle Thomas, from Jennifer Roberts and Family.

Register for VBS >>

**1st United Methodist
and
1st Lutheran VBS!!
July 20-24**

Register Here:

[FUMC & FLC](#)

["At the Table"](#)

[VBS Registration](#)

[July 20-24 @ 9am-](#)

[12pm](#)

WHEN: July 20-24, 9am-12pm

WHERE: 1st Lutheran Church, 2146 Wright St. Blair

WHO: All 3-year-olds—5th graders (grade finished)

COST: \$10/child suggested donation (\$30 family maximum)

If this fee is burdensome, please contact us. No child will be turned away.

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Blair First United Methodist



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Summer Sundays (5th grade and younger recommended)
See Page 1 for more information.

Summer Sundays

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This summer, stay in service for **Holy Communion** on the first Sunday of the summer months: **7/5, 8/2**

Free Time Sundays Come to the PreK room after Children's Time for supervised activity time. **7/12, 7/19, 8/9, 8/16, & 8/23**

Outdoor Worship: Busy bags will be available. 7/26, 8/30



Ways to Serve



Summer
OF RANDOM

Kindness

Be sure to pick a name from the display near the sanctuary to deliver to that person a Random Act of Kindness.

Goal: empty the bowl of names before Labor Day.

Seeking VBS Volunteers & Donations During VBS (July 20-24) First Lutheran & First United Methodist

Adult and youth volunteers will be needed. Monetary donations may be made at the back of the sanctuary.

Questions: Danielle Jensen, 402-427-3106

Education@blairumc.org

Thank You Blair First UMC,

Thank you for supporting me in my adventures into college. It means a lot that you chose me to help through this expensive time. Your support makes a big difference in covering my costs for college. Besides that, it helps me in other ways too. The main way it supports me, besides the money, is knowing that people believe in me enough to go to college and are will willing to bet all that money on me to see me succeed. Thank you again for supporting my adventures into college.

Sincerely, Joey Grabowski

Outdoor Worship in the Pavilion

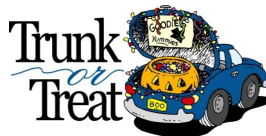
July 26th, August 30th

July 25th 6-8 p.m.
Featuring the music of **Rustic Gold**
Food trucks on site from 5-8 p.m.



Blessing of the Animals

Saturday, October 3rd



And an outdoor Movie October 24th



December 11th & 12th

Second Annual Christmas Market December 11 & 12th



Spread the word that we are seeking vendors for this upcoming event.

Registration for Vendors:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeiwAFYeDRFdIscJKxeM1sifScf2_17U3MXyTRd3YpsdqQKeQ/viewform?pli=1

Do you have a heart for prayer, join Blair First UMC Prayer Group on Facebook

This Week at 1st Church in Blair...

Sunday, July 5th 9:30 AM Worship with Holy Communion - S

Coffee Fellowship following worship in Fellowship Hall

6:00 PM: Cribbage

S = Sanctuary

Monday, July 6th: Office Closed

P = Parlor

Tuesday, July 7: 9:30 AM Faithful Bookworms - P

LL = Lower Level

Thursday, July 9th: 5:30 PM TOPS - FH

FH = Fellowship Hall

Friday, July 10th: Office Closed.

Saturday, July 11th: 7:30 AM Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting at the Rustic in Fort Calhoun.

1:00 PM: Celebration of Life for Carroll "Lee" Wilhelm. Cake reception to follow.

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

Consider naming the church as a beneficiary of your life insurance or retirement plan. If you have named other beneficiaries, consider naming the church as a secondary or backup beneficiary in the event the first beneficiary is deceased at the time of your death.