



Weekly Communique

November 9, 2025



Blair First United Methodist Church

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Full Calendar of events may be found on our website.

Sunday, November 9, 9:30 AM Worship

In Person and Live Streaming

Rev. Dr. Doug Griger

Nursery is available.

Coffee Fellowship

Following worship in Fellowship Hall.

Scripture: Luke 20:27-38

Message: "God and Oprah"

**Collecting in November For
Washington Co. Food Pantry**

Holiday
FOOD DRIVE

Food needs have gone up significantly in Washington County, so let's help our friends and neighbors have a happy holiday Season. Donations may be placed on the cart outside the sanctuary.

During the month of November, we are collecting the holiday meal items listed below:

Food Items Needed:

- stuffing
- canned pumpkin
- canned green beans / corn
- french fried onions
- cream of mushroom soup
- jello
- muffin mix
- boxed potatoes
- canned cranberries

Those Serving This Sunday, November 9th, 2025

Music Leadership: Allison Matson

Chancel Choir/Song Leader: Glenn Coates

Audio/Visual

Online Worship Team Coordinator: Layla Kern

Camera: Mia Kern

Soundboard and Soundcheck: Kevin Fleming

Connections Team: Leader: Terry and Nancy Oestmann

Volunteers: Alvin and Francine Schiltz

Acolyte: Braxson Beaty

Nursery: Samantha Geise

Coffee Fellowship: Sue Gerdes



Festival of Trees Silent Auction

Sunday, November 9 - 23

Bidding ends on November 23rd.

Silent Auction proceeds to benefit

Joseph's Coat

Diaper Drive Report

Thank you to all who donated last month's Diaper Drive for "The Bridge".

Here are the results:

Diapers: 1,163 Wipes: 2,244
1 used Cell Phone Feminine Products
2 packages of Toilet Paper
\$100 Donation

Please Note

We have been having significant problems with emails going to

abbnebraska.com

If you have changed your email address, please update our records.

Let's Send Some Love!

We will again be sending warm thoughts and good wishes (and a few treats) to our college students and members of our church that can't easily get out and about this holiday season. If you'd like to donate to the cause, please drop your monetary donation in the festively festooned "Care Package" in the back of the sanctuary.

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Please "Like" the new
FACEBOOK Page for Youth and
Children's Ministry Updates

New LINK: [Facebook](#)

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Sunday School After Children's Time-10:30am.

All students begin in Worship.

PreK-5th dismiss after Children's Time to PreK room for music.

PreK-2nd grade (classroom across from Sanctuary)

3rd-5th grade (classroom by elevator)

Sunday, November 30 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL



Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm

PreK-5th grade

Begin in the Chapel, lower level.

9th-12th grade

Meet in Youth room, lower level.

Wednesday, November 26 - NO ACTIVITIES

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.

A Child is Born Advent Study

Mondays, @ 6:30 PM

December 1, 8, 15, & 22

Discover the fascinating connections between ancient birth stories and the Nativity of Jesus in this captivating four-week Advent study. Transform your Advent season with fresh insights and inspiration from *A Child is Born*.

Sign-up outside Church Office.

Book available for \$14.

This Week at Blair 1st...

Sunday, November 9th: 9:30 AM Worship

Festival of Trees Silent Auction: Nov. 9-23

9:30 AM: Sunday School PreK - 5th Grade

Coffee Fellowship following Worship - FH

Following Worship: Decades of Discipleship

Meeting in the Parlor.

6:00 PM: Cribbage - FH

Monday, November 10th: 6:30 PM N.O.W. - P

Tuesday, November 11th: 6:30 PM - Financial Stewardship - @ Jane's

Wednesday, November 12th:

5:00-6:30 PM: Wednesday Dinner. Menu: Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup & Salad

6:00 PM: Celebration Bells - S

6:30 PM: CONNECT PreK-5th, 9th-12th Grades - Lower Level; Confirmation - (P)

7:00 PM: Chancel Choir - S

Thursday, November 13th: 5:30 PM: T.O.P.S. - FH

Friday, November 14th: Office Closed.

Saturday, November 15th:

8:30 - 11:30 AM: Special Olympics - P

S = Sanctuary
P = Parlor
LL = Lower Level
FH = Fellowship Hall

Ways to Serve

Holiday FOOD DRIVE

For the Month of November
See Page 1 for list of items needed.

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.

Next Recycling this Saturday: November 8

Where: Washington Co. Recycling Center

When: 8 AM-Noon; 2 shifts available
8 AM- 10 AM and 10AM-Noon.

Who: Adults and children (must be accompanied by an adult). Sign-up near the Church Office.

November Change for Change: United Methodist Student Day

Wednesday Night Dinner

November 12th; 5:00-6:30 PM

Menu: Chili and Chicken Noodle Soup & Salad

Served by: Christmas Market Team

November 19th; 5:00-6:30 PM

Menu: Turkey Feast

Served by: Leadership Team



Decorating for Advent

Sunday, November 23

@ 1:00pm

Come join us!

"What happens when you haven't left a will, power of attorney, or beneficiary instructions? In Nebraska, your estate doesn't just vanish—it goes through an intestate process that leaves your family guessing and grieving. Don't leave your legacy to chance. A clear estate plan shields your loved ones and ensures your wishes are honored."