



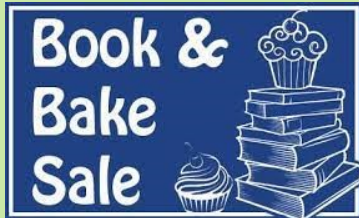
# 1<sup>st</sup> Church in Blair

A United Methodist Ministry

## Weekly Communique

February 8th, 2026

### Methodist Women's



**Sunday, February 8th**  
**During Coffee Fellowship**

**Free Will Donation**  
**We appreciate your support.**

Proceeds used to purchase 3rd  
Grade Bibles  
& Camp Fontanelle  
Scholarships

We are accepting book donations and  
Baked Good donations.  
Please pre-package baked goods for  
sale, no need to price. Thank You.

### Lenten Study

Begins soon: Monday evenings at 6:30  
p.m. beginning February 16th, and  
Thursday mornings at 9:30a.m.  
beginning February 19th.

***Participants should read the  
introduction and Chapter 1 before the  
first session.***

**February Change for Change  
to benefit  
Camp Fontanelle**

### SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP February 8th

Full Calendar of events may be found on our website.

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

**Rev. Dr. Doug Griger**

**Sunday School - PreK-5th Grade.** *Nursery is available.*

**Coffee Fellowship** - Following Worship in Fellowship Hall.

**Scripture:** Isaiah 58:1-12; Matthew 5:13-16

### Those Serving This Sunday, February 8th, 2026

Music Leadership: Allison Matson

Song Leader: Glenn Coates

Audio/Visual

Online Worship Team Coordinator: Layla Kern

Camera: Mia Kern

Soundboard and Soundcheck: Kevin Fleming

Connections Team: Joan Bryant

Volunteers: Todd and Carol Hansen

Acolyte: Jake Grabowski

Nursery: Samantha Geise

Coffee Fellowship: Sue Gerdes

Flowers: Celebrating Sammi Hirschert's 16th Birthday.



**January Food Drive:** 319 pounds of food was delivered to Joseph's Coat this week.

Thank you Diane Highfill and Susan Poling for delivering the food donations!

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Blair First United Methodist



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

New LINK: [Facebook](#)

Danielle Jensen, Family Ministries Director  
Education@blairumc.org 402-427-3106



### 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)



### CONNECT

**Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm**

**PreK-5th grade**

Begin in the Chapel, lower level.

**9th-12th grade**

Meet in Youth room, lower level.

**CONNECT & Confirmation Lenten Schedule**  
**Feb. 18 - March 25th 6:00-7:00 PM**

### Thank you First United Methodist Church,

Thank you so much for your recent gift in support of the mission of Habitat for Humanity of Omaha. Your generous \$357.02 donation is an investment in our community. Per your request this donation will support Washington County and will help people like Malcom.

Malcolm, an Omaha Public Schools special needs bus driver, dreamed of buying a home for himself and his soon to be wife. The cost of apartment living felt overwhelming, but with encouragement from his aunt, Malcom applied for Habitat Omaha's Home Journey Program. Through the program, he learned how to build his credit and prepare for homeownership.

Your generosity helps make stories like Malcolm's possible. We are grateful you have chosen to make such an impact through Habitat Omaha.

John Haske, Chief Development Officer

Lee Cordell, Development officer - Faith Engagement



### This Week at Blair 1<sup>st</sup>...

**Sunday, February 8th 9:30 AM Worship** - Live or Streaming

**Sunday School - PreK- 5th Grade**

**Coffee Fellowship** following Worship - FH

**Methodist Women Book and Bake Sale** - FH (During Coffee Fellowship)

**11:00 AM:** Endowment Committee - P

**6:00 PM:** Cribbage - FH

**Tuesday, February 10th: 6:30 PM** N.O.W. Meeting - P

**7:00 PM:** Family Ministries - FH

**Wednesday, February 11th:**

**9:30 AM-3:00 PM:** W.I.C. - FH

**10:00 AM-3:00 PM:** Homeless Prevention - P

**6:00 PM:** Celebration Bells - P

**6:30- 7:30 PM:** Confirmation - S (NO CONNECT)

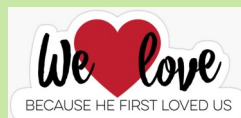
**7:00 PM:** Chancel Choir - FH

**Thursday, February 12th: 5:30 PM:** TOPS - FH

**Friday, February 13th: Office Closed.**

**Saturday, February 14th: 7:30 AM** Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting.

**8:00 AM - Noon:** All Church Volunteering at the Recycling Center.



## 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.



### Saturday, February 14th Recycling:

**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

### Wednesday Community Meals

**New Time 5:30 - 7:00 PM**

**Fellowship Hall - Free Will Offering & Take Out**

### Shrove Tuesday Meal, February 17th -

lively southern-inspired meal

**Menu:** Jambalaya, Cajun pasta,  
hush puppies, and King's Cake.

**Served by:** Christmas Market Committee

**Next Meal: Wednesday, February 25th**

How long has it been  
since you've updated your will?  
Does it carry out your wishes?  
Does it leave any gift to the church  
to carry on its ministry  
after your death?

### Nursery Volunteers Needed

Recruiting volunteers (18 or older)  
For Wednesday night nursery from  
6:00pm - 8:00pm.

We are looking to cover the times  
during bell and choir practices.

**Contact Danielle Jensen for more information:**

Education@blairumc.org 402-427-3106

**(Safe Gatherings certification  
will need to be completed.)**

We're looking for an intern to  
learn the technology desk.

This is an unpaid position but  
could possibly turn into a paid  
position in August.

See Pastor Doug for more information.

