

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please fill out a Prayer Request card  
to hand to the Pastor during  
Joys and Concerns.

Pastor Bob & Deb	New Pastor Search
Pastor David & Sue	Our Youth
Ted & Jan Mick	Kathy Spalding
Jason Swain	Doug Erdman
Loy Putney	Bob Bell
Dan Clark	Spencer Nye
Emily Beeman	Bob Bodell
David Lee Jones	Bonnie Williams
Family & Friends of Carver Edwards	



**Fellowship & Ministry Opportunities  
This Week:**

### **Today, Sunday May 7**

8:30 a.m. Praise & Worship Service  
9:30 a.m. Fellowship  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Service  
12:00 p.m. Fellowship  
5:00 p.m. Praise Practice  
6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

### **Monday, May 8**

6:30 p.m. Mens Bible Study

### **Wednesday, May 10**

6:30 p.m. Elders Mtg

### **Thursday, May 11**

12:00– 1:00 Large Classroom  
downstairs Reserved  
Noon: Lunch with Friends

## **Blaine Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**

**May 7, 2023**



**Rev. Robert D. Larimer  
Pastor David Spalding**

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**Welcome to Blaine Christian Church  
where our purpose is to live and share the  
love of God as revealed in Jesus Christ  
through the guidance of the Holy Spirit.**

## Praise & Worship Service 8:30 a.m.

\*Indicates all who are able, please stand.

\*Passing the Peace

\*Songs of Praise

Children's Moment

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

1st Reading: Acts 7:55-60

Pg. 887

2nd Reading: John 14:1-14

Pg. 875

Sermon- "Look Up"

\*Song of Praise

\*Invitation

\*Song of Praise

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Communion

All who profess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to partake.

\*Benediction

Elders are available on either side of the sanctuary to pray with and for you after the service.

### SERVING TODAY

Minister: Rev. Robert D Larimer

Worship Leader: Karl Tietz

Praise Team: Mike Brief, Jenny Caylen,  
Jacque Erdman, Doug Erdman, Deb  
Larimer, Carolyn Waterson

Children's Moment: Jenny Caylen

Greeter: Robin Groesbeck

Usher: Keith Jewel

Fellowship: Karl & Elizabeth Tietz

## Traditional Service 11:00 a.m.

\*Indicates all who are able, please stand.

Prelude

Time of Sharing

\*Passing the Peace

\*Introit Christ is Risen, I will Praise Him

\*Hymn of Praise #464  
God Of Grace and God of Glory

Invocation

Response "Alleluia"

Children's Moment

Anthem - The Potter's Hand  
Kids Kare following the Anthem for 2nd Grade  
and below

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

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Sermon- "Look Up"

\*Hymn of Invitation #566  
Be Still, My Soul (v. 1-2)

\*Invitation # 494  
Be Still, My Soul (v. 3)

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lords Prayer

Call to Communion

Hymn of Preparation #419  
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

Sharing of the Bread & Cup  
All who profess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior  
are invited to partake.

\*Doxology #46

\*Benediction

\*Closing Chorus  
He Lives! (refrain) #226

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sanctuary to pray with and for you after the  
service.

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Minister: Rev. Robert D. Larimer  
Elders: Gary Waterson & Wayne Margetson

Worship Reader: Kathryn Mathieu

Prelude: Mercy Sobkoviak

Pianist: Mercy Sobkoviak

Choir Director: Carolyn Waterson

Children's Moment: Jenny Caylen

Kids Kare: Jenny Caylen

Diaconate Servers: Sonja Reitan, Lynette  
Williams, John Byers, Linda Byers

Greeter: Jannette Ervin

Usher: Wayne

Fellowship: Maggie Baker

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day, our daily bread  
and forgive us our debts  
as we forgive our debtors.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and  
the power and the glory forever.  
Amen.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Volunteer to help: We are looking for a couple of people that would be willing to help with childcare for Young Adults on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 5:15ish -7:00pm at the church. Speak with Mary Barnum or Carolyn Waterson. Also if you would like to help with meals for this group, you may also volunteer in this way. Thank you in advance for helping with this ministry to our Young Adults.

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