

**January 9, 2022  
Baptism of Our Lord**

**Welcome to long-time Lutherans, to Christians from every tradition, and to people new to the faith.**

**Welcome to you who have no church home, or who want to follow Christ, have doubts, or do not know for sure what you believe.**

**Welcome to new visitors and old friends**

**Welcome to people of every age and size, color and culture, every sexual orientation and gender identity, socio-economic status, marital status, ability and challenge.**

**We welcome your questions and your beliefs**

**Welcome to Lebanon  
All are welcome in this place**

Readings for today: **Isaiah 43:1-7, Psalm 29, Acts 8:14-17, Luke 3:15-17, 21-22.** *Readings for next week; Isaiah 62:1-5, Psalm 36:5-10, 1 Corinthians 12:1-11, John 2:1-11. Try reading these ahead at home and see if you can find what holds them together. We need a volunteer reader for Sundays.*

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*Did you know .....*

*.....that you can always watch recent worship services on our website, and find the Yellow Pages for each week there too?  
[www.lebanonlutheranchurch.com](http://www.lebanonlutheranchurch.com)*

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**Worship on the Web - Sundays at 10:15am**

**Stay tuned to our Facebook page for more updates when then occur.**

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**Hand sanitizer is located at several stations. Please leave 6' distance between you and others that are not in your family. We ask that you kindly wear a mask whether vaccinated or unvaccinated.**

**It is cold, flu and COVID season. Please DO NOT place your used tissue back into the box! Thank you!**

**Bible Study via Zoom on Wednesday evenings at 7pm.** Please email Pastor Ogden or Kathy Keller ( Kellerk2@msu.edu) for the link

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### **Prayer Concerns and Announcements**

**It is an important part of our ministry** to be constantly praying for one another. *We add names to the prayer list with consent in order to maintain privacy and confidentiality.*

*Prayers for those who are homebound:*                      *Our Minister*

**Helen Bartlett**, at home  
**Mary Bernhardt**, at Robinswood Assisted Living #115 (Kay Snell)  
**Marlene Holmstrom**, at home  
**Elaine Liska**, at White Lake Assisted Living - Whitehall  
**Ruth Nurmi**, with health concerns  
**Nancy Peterson**, at Heartland , Room #405 B  
**Bernie Weidner**, at Sanctuary of the Oaks.            (Danielle Jacobs)  
**Marty Windbacher**, at home

*Special Prayer Concerns:*

**Steve Albert**, with health concerns  
**Tracey Allen**, (Roger Silk's cousin) diagnosed with terminal brain cancer  
**Jennifer Snowden Bossi**, 34, (Ardy Bulthouse's granddaughter) diagnosed with a rare form of cancer.  
**Lucas Carlson**, (Terry and Mary Beekmans grandson) for new treatment.  
**Diane**, (friend of Cheri Crouch) diagnosed with cancer.  
**Dan Girvan**, with health issues  
**Cora Hendrick**, (Curt Crouch's mother) diagnosed with cancer  
**Terri Hissong**, (Margaret Everling's sister) health concerns  
**Paul Honoré**, recently diagnosed with cancer  
**Lauren Kerkstra**, (Darrel and Jeanette Otto's granddaughter), recovering slowly, able to walk and take commands. Remains non-verbal .  
**Donna Knoth**, with heart issues.  
**Jeff Knoth**, recently diagnosed with cancer  
**Amy Jean Knorr**, ( Brian Holmblades aunt in Tucson) turning 105 years old on November 28.

**Lara MacGregor**, Cancer is aggressive, progressing and life threatening.  
**Mary**, (Meg Eatons mother) with health concerns after a fall.  
**Dwight Mead** (Paula Moreau's brother-in-law), non-hodgkin lymphoma mantel type (stage four).  
**Irene Parks**, recuperating from heart valve replacement surgery, 12/16  
**Shirley**, (friend of Barb Aardema) recently diagnosed with cancer.  
**Tammy**, (daughter of Wietse and Melanie Schaafsma) with brain cancer & diabetic. At home.  
**Jen**, (Tammy's sister ) suffered aneurysm, at home.  
**Harry and Yolanta Swiatek**, home recuperating from surgery complications - prayers for continued healing.  
**Darlene Willbrandt**, eye surgery January 11th .  
**Our hearts grieve** with **Paul Honoré** and family on the death of his granddaughter, **Charleen Paggeot** and also with **Ardy Bulthouse** on the recent death of her husband, **Rodger Kroes**. **Our hearts also grieve** with the family of **Lois Fuller** who passed away 1/5/22. A funeral is planned for spring 2022.

**For our partners in faith**, our companion synods in Salud para la Vida in San Pedro Sula, Honduras for their mission and ministry in their place as we fulfill our mission in our place; for all the churches of the Lutheran World Federation, for people of the gospel throughout the world

**Each week we pray for one of our members or families. This week we pray for : Bill and Ruth Baxter**

*Congregation Prayers for January 2022: Sharon Harris; Doug & Barb Aardema; Mary Bernhardt.*



**Praying for Elizabeth Eaton**, Presiding Bishop, ELCA and **Craig Satterlee**, Bishop of the Northwest Lower Michigan Synod. **Salem Lutheran, Flint and Pastor Monica Villareal**.

**As Jesus calls us to be one** even as he and the Father are one, please remember these leaders, and judicatories in prayer on Sunday mornings.– Today we pray for: **Bethlehem Lutheran Church/Lansing; Rev. Matthew Smith & Rev. John Burrow and Local congregations and leaders.** *Next week we pray for: Grace Lutheran Church/Lansing; Rev. Christin Fawcett.*

**Due to the increase in the Covid 19 Delta variant, masks are required to be worn correctly over nose and mouth when in the church building.**



**Last Week at Lebanon**

Budget.....	4,705.00
Non-Budget.....	1,326.00
In & Outs.....	0.00
Total Deposit.....	6,031.00
2021 Budget	183,353.00
Budgeted giving needed through December (100%)	183,353.00
Actual budget giving through December	189,934.93
<b>Fund of the Month / January .....150th Anniversary</b>	<b>56.00</b>

**Food Pantry : 1/5/22 - 41 families and 94 individuals.**

**NOTE: NEW PANTRY HOURS ARE 9:30 AM TO 10:30 AM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

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**DONATE RIGHT FROM YOUR SMARTPHONE**

Giving through our Vanco Mobile app is an easy and convenient way to donate to our church. It only takes a moment to set up and account:

1. Download the free Vanco Mobile app from the App store or Google Play.
2. Find our Church by searching for our Church name: Lebanon Lutheran Church
3. Donate: to the General Fund

*Thank you for your generosity!*



Annual Reports are due to the church office no later than **January 15th**.

Please make sure your reports are typed.

If you are head of committee, or group - please feel free to write a report of your 2021 activities!

## **Take home - Prayer Ventures January 2022**

*These petitions are offered as guides to prayer for the global, social and outreach ministries of the ELCA. Thank you for your continued prayers for the life and mission of this church.*

**9** Pray that everything we do during our baptismal journey in this world will point to God, who has redeemed us and redirected our lives through the birth, life, suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus — our Savior, teacher, guide and friend.

**10** Continue to pray for healing and unity in our nation, and ask God to draw us closer to our neighbors, especially those we perceive as different or opposed to our perspectives, beliefs or values. Pray that we will grow in understanding and respect for one another and will work together for the well-being of our communities and neighbors in need.

**11** Give thanks to God for our companions and partners in ministry, especially the Lutheran World Federation, World Council of Churches, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA, Lutheran Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Relations Network, and our full communion partners.

**12** Give thanks for the daily, life-giving work of the Spirit, which creates, strengthens and sustains our devotion to Jesus Christ. Pray that the Spirit will renew us and empower us to live as people of faith, gathered and equipped to love and serve our neighbor, bear hope into the world and share the gospel with all people.

**13** Join our global companion churches in prayers of thanksgiving and hope for the scholarship awardees of ELCA International Women Leaders, which supports the education of women around the world through seminars, south-to-south exchanges, in-country study programs, and degree programs at ELCA colleges and universities.

**14** Praise God, who is mighty and eternal, the creator of all that exists and the source of our blessings and strength.

**Thank You to Glenn Eaton and Doug Aardema** for moving the filing cabinets out of the church office for the carpet installation.

## We Three Kings

1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing  
 2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I  
 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense  
 4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a  
 5. Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise; King and

gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain,  
 bring to crown him a - gain, King for - ev - er,  
 owns a De - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing,  
 life of gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing,  
 God and sac - ri - fice; Al - le - lu - ia,

moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
 ceas - ing nev - er, o - ver us all to reign.  
 voic - es rais - ing, wor - ship - ing God on high.  
 bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, sounds through the earth and skies.

*Refrain*

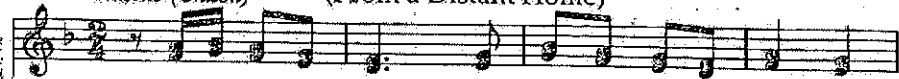
O star of won - der, star of light, star with roy - al beau - ty bright,

west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light.

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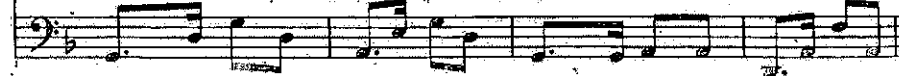
(From a Distant Home)



1. From a distant home the Sav-ior we come seek-ing,  
 2. Glow-ing gold I bring the new-born babe so ho-ly,



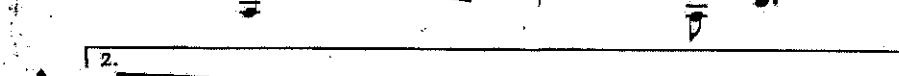
us-ing as our guide the star so bright-ly beam-ing.  
 to-ken of his power to reign a-bove in glo-ry.



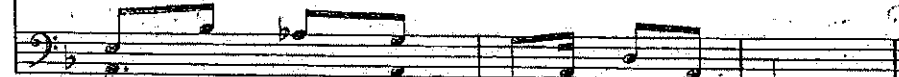
Love-ly east-ern star that tells us of God's morn-ing,  
 Glo-ry in the high-est to the Son of Heav-en,



1.  
 heav-en's won-drous light, O nev-er cease thy shin-ing!  
 and up-on the earth be



2.  
 peace and love to all.



3. Frankincense I bring the child of God's own choosing,  
 token of our prayers to heaven ever rising,  
*Refrain*

4. Bitter myrrh have I to give the infant Jesus,  
 token of the pain that he will bear to save us.  
*Refrain*



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