

February 20, 2022  
Epiphany 7

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: **Genesis 45:3-11, 15, Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40, 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50, Luke 6:27-38.** *Readings for next week; **Transfiguration of Our Lord** : Exodus 34:29-35, Psalm 99, 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2, Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]. 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 & in person - 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.  
**Cora Hendrick**, (Curt Crouch's mother) diagnosed with cancer  
**Terri Hissong**, (Margaret Everling's sister) health concerns  
**Jamison Jeffery**, (Cindy Albert's grandson) Diagnosed with Covid.  
**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) turned 105 years old on November 28.  
**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).

**Shirley Palmatter**, (Cindy Alberts mother) hospitalized at St. Mary's, GR  
**Shirley**, (friend of Barb Aardema) facing stem cell transplant in April.  
**Tammy**, (daughter of Wietse and Melanie Schaafsma) with brain cancer & diabetic. At home.  
**Jen**, (Tammy's sister ) suffered aneurysm, at home.  
**Jon Stark** (Erin Lewallen's brother-in-law), non-Hodgkins Lymphoma.  
**Harry and Yolanta Swiatek**, home recuperating from surgery complications - prayers for continued healing.  
**Jan Troeger**, (Cindy Albert's sister), suffered a stroke.  
**Kennedy Wahr**, (daughter of Rob and Brittney), Update: No reconstructive surgery required, trach free after more than 1000 days!

**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 : Mary Koernen**

*Congregation Prayers for February 2022: Jone Benedict.*

*Congregation Prayers for March 2022: Mardi Baumann, Megan & Seth Ahrenholz, Mike & Lisa Clark, Jacob and Victoria Brackmann.*



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**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: **Victory Trinity Lutheran Church / Ludington; Rev. Ron Iris** Next week we pray for: *Trinity Lutheran Church / Manton; Rev. William Huether.*

**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.**

**Masks are available at the church entrances should you forget yours. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our visitors and congregation safe.**

**Last Week at Lebanon**

Budget.....	3,708.50
Non-Budget.....	1,394.00
In & Outs.....	0.00
Total Deposit.....	5,102.50
2022 Budget	196,575.00
Budgeted giving needed through January (8.36%)	16,433.67
Actual budget giving through January	12,841.00
Shortfall.....	3,592.67
<b>Fund of the Month / February—Living Lutheran.....</b>	<b>28.00</b>

**Food Pantry : 2/16 - 63 families and 138 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!*

## Take home - Prayer Ventures February 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.*

**20** “Love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as [God] is merciful” (Luke 6:35-36). Ask the Spirit to help us do what seems difficult or impossible and live as willing disciples of Christ.

**21** Reflect on what God is stirring in us right now, and pray that we might discern what God calls us to be: bearers of love, hope, healing, reconciliation and the good news of Jesus Christ.

**22** Pray that the story of Joseph forgiving his brothers, which mirrors God’s love and forgiveness of us, will inspire us to forgive those who have caused us offense, anger or distress, and that we might seek forgiveness and grace from people we have hurt.

**23** The theme of the ELCA Youth Gathering and our camps’ summer curriculum is “boundless: God beyond measure.” Pray that we will live into this theme, growing in faith and gratitude for God’s infinite power, presence, love and wisdom.

**24** Thank God for hearing and responding to our prayers — spoken and silent — and for tending to our needs, easing our worries, calming our anger and providing refuge in time of trouble. Ask the Spirit to guide and inspire us as we do God’s work in the world, caring for our neighbors in distress.

**25** Pray for the Deaconess Community of the ELCA, a diverse body unified in its commitment to proclaim the gospel, show mercy, demonstrate servant leadership and bring healing and reconciliation to the world.

**26** Look into the vast night sky at the stars, planets, meteors and comets, and praise God for stirring our awe, wonder, curiosity, humility and imagination.



Ash Wednesday Evening Prayer  
Wednesday, March 2, 2022  
7:00 pm

It will be Facebook Live at:  
Lebanon Lutheran Church (ELCA)

Congratulations to our new Church Council members for 2022!

Congratulations



Welcome Laura Hollister, newly elected.

We will install council members as soon as the majority are at in-person worship.

Thank You to our 2022 officers:  
Cheri Crouch - President  
Wietse Schaafsma - Vice President  
Meg Eaton - Secretary

Synod Representatives are Al and Michele Wheeler

Thank You to Allan Hinks, who completed his term on the Church Council with the January 2022 Annual Meeting.



We will plan on celebrating our 150th at the Winter Sports Complex once again on the following date:

**February 27, 2022 - 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm**

Please attend and enjoy this part of our celebration!

Spring is Coming! 



 Thank  
you

To all who made goodies; helped pack and deliver Christmas baskets, Thank You and God Bless You All!

The baked goods were super good. Best basket yet! Thank you again.

*Bev Statz*



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**Websites of Interest**

[www.lebanonlutheranchurch.com](http://www.lebanonlutheranchurch.com)

[www.mittensynod.org](http://www.mittensynod.org)

[www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org)

[www.whitelakescouting.com](http://www.whitelakescouting.com)

[www.whitelakechorale.com](http://www.whitelakechorale.com)

[www.hopescarves.org](http://www.hopescarves.org)

[LivingLutheran.org](http://LivingLutheran.org).

[www.samaritas.org](http://www.samaritas.org)

Suicide Hotline [1-800-SUICIDE.org](http://1-800-SUICIDE.org)  
[www.co.muskegon.mi.us/cmh/suicide\\_prevention](http://www.co.muskegon.mi.us/cmh/suicide_prevention)

Every Woman's Place  
231-722-3333 or [www.everywomansplace.org](http://www.everywomansplace.org)

The Trevor Project  
1-866-488-7386

The Trevor Project is the world's largest suicide prevention and crisis intervention organization for LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning) young people.