#### March 27, 2022 Lent 4

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: Joshua 5:9-12, Psalm 32, 2 Corinthians 5:16-21, Luke 15:1-3,11b-32. Readings for next week - Isaiah 43:16-21, Psalm 126, Philippians 3:4b-14, John 12:1-8 Try reading these ahead at home and see if you can find what holds them together. We need a volunteer reader for Sundays.

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

Worship on the Web & in person - Sundays at 10:15am

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

Hand sanitizer is located at several stations. Please leave 6' distance between you and others that are not in your family. As of 3/22, Masks in the church building are optional with the exception of the sanctuary balcony during worship.

It is cold, flu and COVID season. Please <u>DO NOT</u> 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

#### **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

Lauren Kerkstra, (Darrel and Jeanette Otto's granddaughter), recovering slowly, able to walk and take commands. Remains non-verbal.

Clare Kierston, (Darlene Willbrandt's friend), recuperating from surgery.

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.

**Dwight Mead** (Paula Moreau's brother-in-law), non-hodgkin lymphoma mantel type (stage four).

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.

Jan Troeger, (Cindy Albert's sister), suffered a stroke.

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: Jacob and Victoria Brackmann

Congregation Prayers for April 2022: Minnie Estlund; Savanhni Chittisane; Curt and Cheri Crouch; Nancy Dahl.



Afways Praying for Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop, ELCA and Craig New. 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: St. Timothy Lutheran Church / Midland. Next week we pray for: Trinity Lutheran Church/Midland; Rev. Gerald Ferguson, Rev. Danielle Shealy.

As of March 22nd, masks are optional while inside the building. They will be required during worship for those seated in the balcony. (Masking may be reinstated if Covid numbers increase)

Masks are available at the church entrances should you forget yours.

# Last Week at Lebanon

Budget	3,041.61
Non-Budget	1,037.00
In & Outs	5.00
Total Deposit	4,083.61
2022 Budget	196,575.00
Budgeted giving needed through February (14.28%	(a) 28,070.91
Actual budget giving through February	22,370.00
Shortfall	5,700.91
Fund of the Month / March - Good Gifts	198.00

Food Pantry: 3/23 - 61 families and 145 individuals.

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

#### 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

# Take home - Prayer Ventures March / April 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.

- 27 Recall recent experiences personal or witnessed when God's grace far exceeded your expectations and comprehension. Lift up prayers of acknowledgment and gratitude to God.
- 28 Ask God to build up our resiliency, optimism, hope and confidence in God's presence when we feel anxious, overwhelmed or powerless in today's world.
- 29 Rejoice and give thanks to God for surrounding us with steadfast love and forgiveness that cannot be taken away or diminished by anyone or anything.
- 30 Remember in prayer poets who free us to see and contemplate in new ways the beauty and complexity of creation, diverse human experiences, challenging social conditions and our faith.
- 31 Pray for the leaders from across our church who serve on the ELCA Church Council. Ask the Spirit to guide them as they support, review, advise and enable God's work in the world with thoughtfulness, integrity, respect and partnerships sharing a common vision.
- 1 Arab American Heritage Month Remember in prayer the diverse gifts, cultures, heritages and stories of our Arab and Middle Eastern neighbors and siblings in Christ, who remind us of the rich history and tradition of Christ's church in the world. Ask God to bless and advance the advocacy, witness, leadership development and support for ministries provided by ELCA Arab and Middle Eastern Ministries and the Association of Lutherans of Arab and Middle Eastern Heritage.
- 2 Give thanks for the resources of our church, including ELCA World Hunger's 40 Days of Giving, which guides us through Lent and helps us pray, study Scripture, respond to our neighbors in need and give generously for the good of communities around the world.





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# Websites of Interest

www.lebanonlutheranchurch.com

www.mittensynod.org

www.elca.org

www.whitelakescouting.com

www.whitelakechorale.com

www.hopescarves.org

LivingLutheran.org.

www.samaritas.org

Suicide Hotline <u>1-800-273TALK.org</u> www.co.muskegon.mi.us/cmh suicide prevention

Every Woman's Place 231-722-3333 or 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.