October 30, 2022 Reformation Sunday

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: Jeremiah 31:31-34, Psalm 46, Romans 3:19-28, John 8:31-36.

Readings for next week: November 6 - All Saints Sunday: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18; Psalm 149; Ephesians 1:11-23, Luke 6:20-31. 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.

Today we welcome our new members to Lebanon!

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)

Erma Hinze, with health concerns

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:

Cindy Albert, with health concerns

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.

Adrienne Clahassey, at home recuperating from surgery

Diane, (friend of Cheri Crouch) diagnosed with cancer.

Cora Hendrick, (Curt Crouch's mother) diagnosed with cancer

Donna Jacobs, (Don Jacobs mother) with kidney and heart issues

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) turns 106 years old on November 28.

Judy Kurtz, with health concerns

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) had stem cell replacement in early May and is working through the healing process

Bob Palmatter (Cindy Albert's brother), with breathing difficulties.

Roger Silk, with health issues.

Jon Stark (Erin Lewallen's brother-in-law), non-Hodgkins Lymphoma.

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

Our hearts grieve with Judy Kurtz and family on the recent death of her husband, Jim. Funeral services were held on Friday, October 28, 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: Ray Lathrop

Congregation Prayers for November 2022: Gilbert & Carol Norwick; Mary Lewallen; Elaine Liska; Eric & Mary Odmark.



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: Spruce Lutheran Church / Spruce; Re. Leslie Nye. Next week we pray for: Resurrection Lutheran Church / Saginaw.

Hand sanitizer is located at several stations as well as masks

As of 3/22, Masks in the church building are optional with the exception of the sanctuary balcony during worship.

Adult Forum at 9:00 am. Coffee will be on! Please join us each Sunday!

Last Week at Lebanon

Budget Non-Budget In & Outs Total Deposit.	2,662.5 457.0 0.0 3,119.5	0
2022 Budget Budgeted giving needed through September (7 Actual budget giving through Shortfall	2.8 %)	196,575.00 143,106.60 129,640.46 13,466.14 250.00

Counters for October 2022: Laura Hollister & Sarah Schmalz Counters for November 2022: Wietse Schaafsma and Cheri Crouch

Food Pantry 10/27- 75 families and 163 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

Thank you for your generosity!



Take home - Prayer Ventures October / November 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.

- 30 Reformation Sunday We receive God's grace undeserved love and forgiveness — through the gift of faith in the risen Christ, who restores our relationship with God. Give thanks for Martin Luther, for theologians and for siblings in Christ who inspire us to study Scripture, embrace God's gift of grace and salvation, deepen our faith and love for God, connect our faith with daily life and spread the good news of Jesus Christ.
- 31 Zacchaeus' life changed forever when he came down from a tree and met Jesus face to face. Pray that our lives will be transformed and filled with joy because of our encounter with Jesus, who reveals God's gracious love for humanity.
- 1 All Saints Day Give thanks and praise to God for saints who have helped enrich our faith in Christ, inspired us to lives of service, cared for us, demonstrated grace when we needed it most, taught us life skills, influenced our values and stirred our hope and joy.
- 2 Native American Heritage Month Praise God for Native American and Alaska Native neighbors and siblings in Christ, who represent a rich diversity of gifts, backgrounds, tribes, regions, communities and congregations, and whose history long predates the colonization of North America. Pray for the work of ELCA Indigenous Ministries and Tribal Relations in seeking justice and reconciliation for all people, celebrating diversity within Christ's unifying love and supporting Native congregations and ministries.
- 3 "Learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow" (Isaiah 1:17-18). Pray that we will respect the word and desires of God, seek the Spirit's guidance in responding to our neighbors in need, and trust God to create and renew a spirit of compassion and generosity within us.
- 4 Pray for those affected by wildfires, flooding, droughts and hurricanes, especially people struggling through immediate and long-term recovery. Ask the Spirit to inspire our generosity toward and involvement in the work of Lutheran Disaster Response and its partners to bring relief, support, hope and resources to our neighbors in need.
- 5 "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble" (Psalm 46:1). Pray that, in every challenge we face, the Spirit will increase our trust and confidence in God's presence, care and help in our lives.



Just a reminder that choir is up and running, practices after each Sunday's 10:15 service. We are looking at presenting anthems the Sunday before Thanksgiving and the 6:30 Christmas Eve worship (though if there is interest in the 11:00 worship I could see if a small group is possible).

Thanks all for your interest and voices. It feels great to be singing as a group again.

Diane

Choir anthem: " The Right Hand of God "

This is a new hymn that we may eventually sing as a congregation.

Please join us for the fourth verse:

vs 4: The Right Hand of God is healing in our land, healing broken bodies, minds and souls, so wondrous is its touch with love that means so much, when we're healed by the right hand of God.

Thank you,

The White Lake Giving Tree mittens are here!!!!

Applications for assistance are available through the church office if you or someone you know is in need of help this year.

The mitten tags are up on the tree in the narthex. If you are able, please take one (or more) tags and return the unwrapped gifts to Lebanon by the deadline noted on the back of the mittens. (November 20th).

Thank you for always coming through for the community in need!



Scrapbook and Photo Album Committee to Resume Work

Continuing the 150-year celebration archive project, we plan to restart organizing the remaining collection of news clippings and photographs in November. We'll gather once a week (time and day to be determined by consensus). Volunteers may also take home batches of clippings and/or photographs to sort and catalogue for placement during work bees. Please let Irene Parks or Barb Aardema know if you're interested, and whether 1 p.m. Friday might be a good time to meet. We welcome previous volunteers and new helpers! It's fun to relive old adventures and re-visit people pictured from the past.



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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.