#### January 15, 2023 Epiphany 2

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 49:1-7, Psalm 40:1-11, 1 Corinthians 1:1-9, John 1:29-42. Readings for next week, Isaiah 9:1-4, Psalm 27:1, 4-9, 1 Corinthians 1:10-18, Matthew 4:12-23. 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.

Bible Study via Zoom on Thursday 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.

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

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

Shawn Jeffery, Corneal transplant 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) turned 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.

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: Donna & Joni Will

Congregation Prayers for January 2023 - Marlene Windbacher; Amy & Matthew Swope



Afrogos 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 Christ Lutheran Church / Wyoming; Rev. Robert Schmidt. Next week we pray for: Sudanese Christ Lutheran Church / Wyoming; Rev. Julie Winklepleck.

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**

Amount over budget

Budget	1,614.00
Non-Budget	700.01
In & Outs	0.00
Total Deposit	2,314.01
Fund of the Month - Jan 2023 - Quilting Group	165.00
2022 Budget	196,575.00
Actual budget giving through 12/25/22	196,632.75

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Counters for January 2023: Meg Eaton and Sarah Schmalz

Food Pantry Numbers for Jan 11—99 families and food for 228 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 January 2023

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.

- 15 Pray for a faith grounded in Jesus Christ, our source of hope, direction and sustenance amid turmoil, uncertainty and suffering.
- 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Remember in prayer the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and others who have gone before us in proclaiming all people to be children of God, deserving of freedom, equality, opportunity and respect. Pray that we will draw inspiration and courage from their lives, the word of God and our siblings in Christ as we work to right the injustices that continue in our nation and throughout the world.
- 17 Give thanks and praise to God for listening to our cries and for leaning into our complicated lives with empathy, comfort, love and the support of our siblings in Christ.
- 18 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Throughout this week, we join our siblings in Christ from diverse cultures, traditions, faith communities, and confessions around the world in praying for the unity of the church, so that, together, we can share the good news of Jesus Christ as we "seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow" (Isaiah 1:17).
- 19 Give thanks for the generosity and planned gifts of individuals and families and for the work of the ELCA Foundation to ensure that our gifts continue God's work in the world, today and well into the future.
- 20 Pray that, when we experience disagreement in our communities of faith, we will turn to the word of God and be reminded of what unites us as siblings in Christ and of the values and behaviors that bring healing and reconciliation.
- 21 Pray for ELCA missionaries serving with our global companions in the Middle East: the Revs. Gabi and Meghan Aelabouni, the Rev. Jordan and Rev. Adam Miller-Stubbendick, and the seven young adults serving in the Young Adults in Global Mission program in Israel/Palestine.



#### This Week's Calendar

1/15/23 SUN	10:15am 9am	Communion Adult Forum SCOUTS
1/16/23 MON	10:30 am 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Quilting Group Scouts (Lions) Scouts (Bears) Webelos 1
1/17/23 TUE	9am-1pm <b>6pm-7pm</b> <b>6pm-7pm</b>	Office Hours AA Group (Upper Hall) Girl Scouts (Lounge)
1/18/23 WED	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am 12:30-3:30pm	Office Hours Food Pantry ( Drive-Thru) Homeschool Group ( Upper Hall)
1/19/23 THURS	9am-1pm <b>6pm-7pm</b>	Office Hours AA Group
1/20/23 FRI	9am-1pm	Office Hours
1/21/23 SAT		

# Next Sunday January 22

10:15am 9am

Communion Adult Forum Potluck / Annual Meeting



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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.