

January 29, 2023
Epiphany 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: **Micah 6:1-8, Psalm 15, 1 Corinthians 1:18-31, Matthew 5:1-12.** *Readings for next week, Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12], Psalm 112:1-9 [10], 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16], Matthew 5:13-20. 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, now at McCauley Place (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.

Karl Glass, with health concerns

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) 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 Curt and Cheri Crouch, Mallory & Keith Loth-schutz, Molly & Greg Mooren, and Megan Crouch, on the death of their mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, **Cora Hendrick**.

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 : Amy & Matthew Swope

Congregation Prayers for January 2023 - Arin & Dan Bowen, Ethan , Zachary and Hannah; Donna & Joni Will; Marlene Windbacher;



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 *Grace Lutheran Church / Vassar; Rev. Paulette Cummings*Next week we pray for: *Lebanon Lutheran Church / Whitehall; Rev. Douglas Ogden.*

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.....	1,112.00
Non-Budget.....	593.00
In & Outs.....	30.00
Total Deposit.....	1,735.00
Fund of the Month - Quilting Group	390.00

2022 Budget	196,575.00
Actual budget giving through 12/25/22	196,632.75
Amount over budget	57.75

**Counters for January 2023 : Meg Eaton and Sarah Schmalz
Counters for February : Curt Crouch and Wietse Schaafsma**

Food Pantry Numbers for January 25 : 77 families and 171 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/February 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.

29 *Reconciling in Christ Sunday* Give thanks for the ongoing work of welcoming, including, celebrating and advocating for LGBTQIA+ people in the life of the church, and pray for ministries and organizations that walk with us as we strive to love and affirm all people.

30 Draw a deep breath and thank God for specific things that give you joy and hope — loving relationships, acts of kindness and generosity, natural beauty, signs of progress and healing in the world, and communion with others to pray, worship and encourage one another's faith.

31 "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" (Micah 6:8). Pray that we will take to heart the prophet's explanation of what God calls us to do in the world.

1 *Black History Month* Give thanks for the gifts, accomplishments, influence and witness of our African-descent neighbors and siblings in Christ — we stand together to glorify God as partners in the gospel, doing God's work in the world together. Though unified as siblings in Christ, we ask God to guide our church in its pursuit of racial justice, socioeconomic equity, racial reconciliation and an end to hatred and mistrust.

2 Give thanks for older adults, whose diverse gifts, life experiences, perspectives and wisdom are essential to the life, vitality and leadership of our congregations and communities.

3 Pray for leaders of children, youth and family ministries as these leaders gather for the ELCA Youth Ministry Network Extravaganza in Anaheim, Calif. Give thanks for their commitment, gifts and concern for the faith and well-being of young people.

4 Give thanks for staff and volunteers who help congregations function smoothly, grow and thrive, including administrative assistants, accountants, property managers, program coordinators and communications staff.

The Scrapbook Committee will meet at Lebanon on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month at 1:00 pm. to work on the scrapbooks and photo albums. Everyone is invited to join us!

Next meeting is February 10, 2023.

This Week's Calendar

1/29/23 SUN	10:15am 9am	Communion Adult Forum SCOUTS
1/30 MON	10:30 am 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Quilting Group Scouts (Lions) Scouts (Bears) Webelos 1
1/31 TUE	9am-1pm 6pm-7pm 6pm-7pm	Office Hours AA Group (Upper Hall) Girl Scouts (Lounge)
2/1 WED	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am 12:30-3:30pm 10:30 am	Office Hours Food Pantry (Drive-Thru) Homeschool Group (Upper Hall) Wesco Check Presentation / Food Pantry
2/2 THURS	9am-1pm 6pm-7pm	Office Hours AA Group
2/3 FRI	9am-1pm	Office Hours
2/4 SAT		

Next Sunday February 5

10:15am	Communion
9am	Adult Forum

2/10/23 - 1pm - Scrapbook Committee meets



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www.mittensynod.org

www.elca.org

www.whitelakescouting.com

www.whitelakechorale.com

www.hopscarves.org

LivingLutheran.org.

www.samaritas.org

Suicide Hotline 1-800-273TALK.org
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.