

**January 8, 2023
Baptism of Our Lord**

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: **Baptism of Our Lord : Isaiah 42:1-9, Psalm 29, Acts 10:34-43, Matthew 3:13-17.** *Readings for next week, Isaiah 49:1-7, Psalm 40:1-11, 1 Corinthians 1:1-9, John 1:29-42. 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) 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 : Arin & Dan Bowen, Ethan, Zachary and Hannah

*Congregation Prayers for January 2023 - Donna & Joni Will;
Marlene Windbacher; Amy & Matthew Swope*



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.....	3,395.00
Non-Budget.....	1,105.00
In & Outs.....	0.00
Total Deposit.....	4,500.00

Fund of the Month - January 2023 - Quilting Group

2022 Budget	196,575.00
End of Year budgeted giving	197,542.75
Amount over budget	967.75

Congratulations and Thank You for your donations!

Counters for January 2023 : Meg Eaton and Sarah Schmalz

Food Pantry Numbers January 4 - 75 families and food for 181 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.

8 Ask the Spirit to give us the courage and determination to end gun violence in our nation, care for those who suffer its trauma and grief, and comfort and protect the children and youth who live with it in fear and anxiety.

9 Pray for ELCA outdoor ministries as they recruit young adults to serve in outdoor and urban summer camp ministries across the country. Ask the Spirit to stir these young adults to share their faith, energy and diverse gifts with children, youth and adults.

10 Give thanks that God calls us to light the world and bear the good news of Christ's justice and compassion to our neighbors in need.

11 Pray that pastors, deacons, leaders of youth and family ministries, and others who serve the church and our communities will be restored and find new inspiration through sabbath and the care and encouragement of their congregations.

12 Pray for the wisdom to understand that all living things echo the voice of God, a voice of glory, power and love that blesses humankind.

13 Give thanks for the staff, volunteers and bishops of our 65 synods, who unite congregations, guide the work of rostered ministers and lay leaders, and lift up the mission of the church in a diverse and ever-changing world.

14 Remember in prayer people who are without shelter; pray that they will find safe, dependable housing and that faith communities will respond to neighbors in need through temporary shelters, long-term housing, feeding ministries, and partnerships with social service agencies.



Typed Annual Reports are due Today! Please leave them in the church mailbox, outside the office door.
Thank you

This Week's Calendar

1/8/23 SUN	10:15am 9am	Communion Adult Forum SCOUTS ANNUAL REPORTS DUE TODAY!
1/9/23 MON	10:30 am 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Quilting Group Scouts (Lions) Scouts (Bears) Webelos 1
1/10/23 TUE	9am-1pm 6pm-7pm 6pm-7pm	Office Hours AA Group (Upper Hall) Girl Scouts (Lounge)
1/11/23 WED	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am 12:30-3:30pm	Office Hours Food Pantry (Drive-Thru) Homeschool Group (Upper Hall)
1/12/23 THURS	9am-1pm 6pm-7pm	Office Hours AA Group
1/13/23 FRI	9am-1pm	Office Hours
1/14/23 SAT		

Next Sunday January 15

10:15am	Communion
9am	Adult Forum

Annual Meeting / Potluck will be held on January 22nd



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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.