

April 23, 2023  
Easter 3

**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: **Lent 1: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7, Psalm 32, Romans 5:12-29, Matthew 4:1-11.** *Readings for next week, Genesis 12:1-4a, Psalm 121, Romans 4:1-5, 13-17, John 3:1-17. . Try reading these ahead at home and see if you can find what holds them together. We need a volunteer reader for Sundays.*

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*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](http://www.lebanonlutheranchurch.com)*

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

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

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**We welcome Maggie Foster from Samaritas - Refugee and New Americans program!**

**Bible Study via Zoom on Thursday evenings at 7pm.** Please email Pastor Ogden or Kathy Keller ( Kellerk2@msu.edu) for the link

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### **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 daughter Carol Roods' home now.  
**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  
**Marty Windbacher**, at home

### *Special Prayer 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.  
**Cheri Crouch**, with health concerns  
**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  
**John Lewallen**, (Mary Lewallen's brother-in-law) liver cancer  
**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.

**John Parks**, with health concerns

**Roger Silk**, with health issues.

**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 : Mike & Kay Snell**

*Congregation Prayers for April 2023 : Wendy & Andy Shalifoe*



**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: **Zion Lutheran Church/Cadillac; Rev. Scott Torkko.** *Next week we pray for: Peace Lutheran Church/Charlotte; Rev. Neil Brady.*

**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.....	1,865.00
Non-Budget.....	668.00
In & Outs.....	0.00
Total Deposit.....	2,533.00
Fund of the Month - March / April - Good Gifts	1,292.00

2023 Budget	208,731.00
Budgeted giving needed through January (8.54%)	17,825.63
Actual giving through January	10,471.00
Shortfall	7,354.63

**Food Pantry Numbers for April 19 - 105 families & 241 individuals**

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

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**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 April 2023**

*These petitions are offered as guides to prayer for the global, social and out-reach ministries of the ELCA. Thank you for your continued prayers for the life and mission of this church.*

**23** Pray that we might take advantage of opportunities to talk with one another about our faith, our questions, our thoughts and the challenges of following Christ.

**24** Pray for farmers, ranchers and agricultural workers who, each spring, prepare, plant and tend fields, orchards and herds so that they will produce bountiful harvests and feed the world.

**25** Rejoice in the good news that God has reclaimed us with the blood of Christ — Savior, Messiah and Teacher, the light of the world and the bread of life that sustains our spirit.

**26** Remember in prayer musicians and worship leaders gathering online for the Music that Makes Community webinar “Composing Ourselves: A Laboratory for Creating Congregational Songs.” Pray that the Spirit will inspire and nurture their skills for writing new worship songs drawn from diverse cultures and traditions.

**27** Thank God for listening and responding to our prayers, both spoken and silent.

**28** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Minneapolis Area, Northern Texas-Northern Louisiana and Alaska synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

**29** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Northwest Intermountain Synod, the Northeastern Minnesota Synod and the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.



Trash Bash  
Sunday, April 23  
1:00-4:00pm  
Community-wide  
clean up!



TRASH  
BASH



Meet at  
Chamber Depot  
124 W. Hanson in  
Whitehall



Our annual Trash Bash,  
sponsored by **Consumers Energy**,  
is coming up on April 23!  
We need your help to clean up north and south  
of the bike trail, parks, shoreline areas, waterways, and more!

Come one, come all! Groups and volunteers with waders,  
kayaks, and/or canoes are greatly needed. **WaterDog Outfitters**  
will offer free kayak rentals the day of the event for those who  
would like to help clean up the waterways!

Meet at the Chamber of Commerce  
(124 W. Hanson St. in Whitehall) on Sunday, April 23rd at 1:00 pm where  
an action plan will be announced.

Volunteers are asked to dress accordingly with sunscreen, gloves,  
hats, etc. Trash bags will be supplied.

*\*There is no need to RSVP for this event.  
Click [here](#) to view the event on our web calendar,  
and click [here](#) for our Facebook event page!*

Event Sponsored by **Consumers Energy**

Celebrate Earth Day by cleaning up our own space here at Lebanon Lutheran!

Join us after worship today to rake and clear our yard around the church!

Wear your work clothes, bring gloves, rakes, any yard equipment you have and are willing to bring to use!

Let's keep our grounds here looking fabulous!

### This Week's Calendar

<b>4/23</b> <b>SUN</b>	10:15am 9am  3:30-5pm 5pm	Communion Adult Forum <b>Yard Clean-up!!!</b> Girl Scouts Scouts
<b>4/24</b> <b>MON</b>	10:30 am 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Quilting Group Scouts (Lions) Scouts (Bears) Webelos 1
<b>4/25</b> <b>TUE</b>	9am-1pm 6pm-7pm 6pm-7pm	Office Hours AA Group ( Upper Hall) Girl Scouts ( Lounge)
<b>4/26</b> <b>WED</b>	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am 12:30-3:30pm	Office Hours <b>Food Pantry ( Drive-Thru)</b> Homeschool Group ( Upper Hall)
<b>4/27</b> <b>THURS</b>	9am-1pm <b>6pm-7pm</b>	Office Hours <b>AA Group</b>
<b>4/28</b> <b>FRI</b>	9am-1pm	Office Hours
<b>4/29</b> <b>SAT</b>		

### Next Sunday, April 30

10:15am	Communion
9am	Adult Forum
3:30-7pm	Scouts



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**Websites of Interest**

[www.lebanonlutheranchurch.com](http://www.lebanonlutheranchurch.com)

[www.mittensynod.org](http://www.mittensynod.org)

[www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org)

[www.whitelakescouting.com](http://www.whitelakescouting.com)

[www.whitelakechorale.com](http://www.whitelakechorale.com)

[www.hopescarves.org](http://www.hopescarves.org)

[LivingLutheran.org](http://LivingLutheran.org).

[www.samaritas.org](http://www.samaritas.org)

Suicide Hotline [1-800-273TALK.org](http://1-800-273TALK.org)  
[www.co.muskegon.mi.us/cmh/suicide\\_prevention](http://www.co.muskegon.mi.us/cmh/suicide_prevention)

Every Woman's Place  
231-722-3333 or [www.everywomansplace.org](http://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.