

**July 16, 2023
Pentecost 7**

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 55:10-13, Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13, Romans 8:1-11, Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23.** *Readings for next week: Isaiah 44:6-8, Psalm 86:11-17, Romans 8:12-25, Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43. 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 daughter Carol Roods' home now.
Mary Bernhardt, at Robinswood Assisted Living #115 (Kay Snell)
Marlene Holmstrom, at home
Elaine Liska, at White Lake Assisted Living - Whitehall
Phyllis Monte, at Legacy of Caring - Whitehall
Ruth Nurmi, with health concerns
Nancy Peterson, at Heartland , Room #405 B
Barb Smith, at Legacy of Caring - Whitehall
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.
Margaret Everling, surgery scheduled for July 18
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.
Ken Kolb, with health issues
Sandy Kolb, hip replacement surgery
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).

Bob Palmatter (Cindy Albert's brother), with breathing difficulties.
Pastor Sarah Samuelson, recently diagnosed with colo-rectal cancer
Wendy Shalifoe, undergoing chemo treatment
Roger Silk, with health issues.
Brenda Smith, (friend of Christie Phillips) hospitalized with health issues.
Verne "Barney" Sutherland, with serious heart issues
Our hearts grieve with John and Becky Wahr, Rachel Barlett (Corey); Jon & Abby; Rob & Brittany Wahr & Kennedy on the recent death of Becky's mother, Norma Resmussen.

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 : Tom Foster

Congregation Prayers for July 2023 : Jen & Zoe Fretty; Mary Koenen



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 / Freeland; Rev. Andreas Teich.**
Next week we pray for: Edgewood Lutheran Church / Fruitport; Rev. Len Dahlgren.

Hand sanitizer is located at several stations as well as masks

Masks in the church building are optional

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

Last Week at Lebanon

Budget.....	1,154.00
Non-Budget.....	125.00
In & Outs.....	0.00
Total Deposit.....	1,279.00
Fund of the Month - July.....	135.00

2023 Budget	208,731.00
Budgeted giving needed through June (48.2%)	100,608.34
Actual giving through June	70,013.00
Shortfall	30,595.34

Food Pantry Numbers for

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 July 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.

16 Pray for patience when our ministry doesn't produce the results we expect; ask the Spirit to help us reflect on our work, adapt, and understand that sometimes positive results ensue without our knowledge.

17 Pray for rostered ministers gathering with colleagues from across the church for fellowship, renewal, continuing education, worship and Bible study at the ELCA Rostered Ministers Gathering in Phoenix, Ariz.

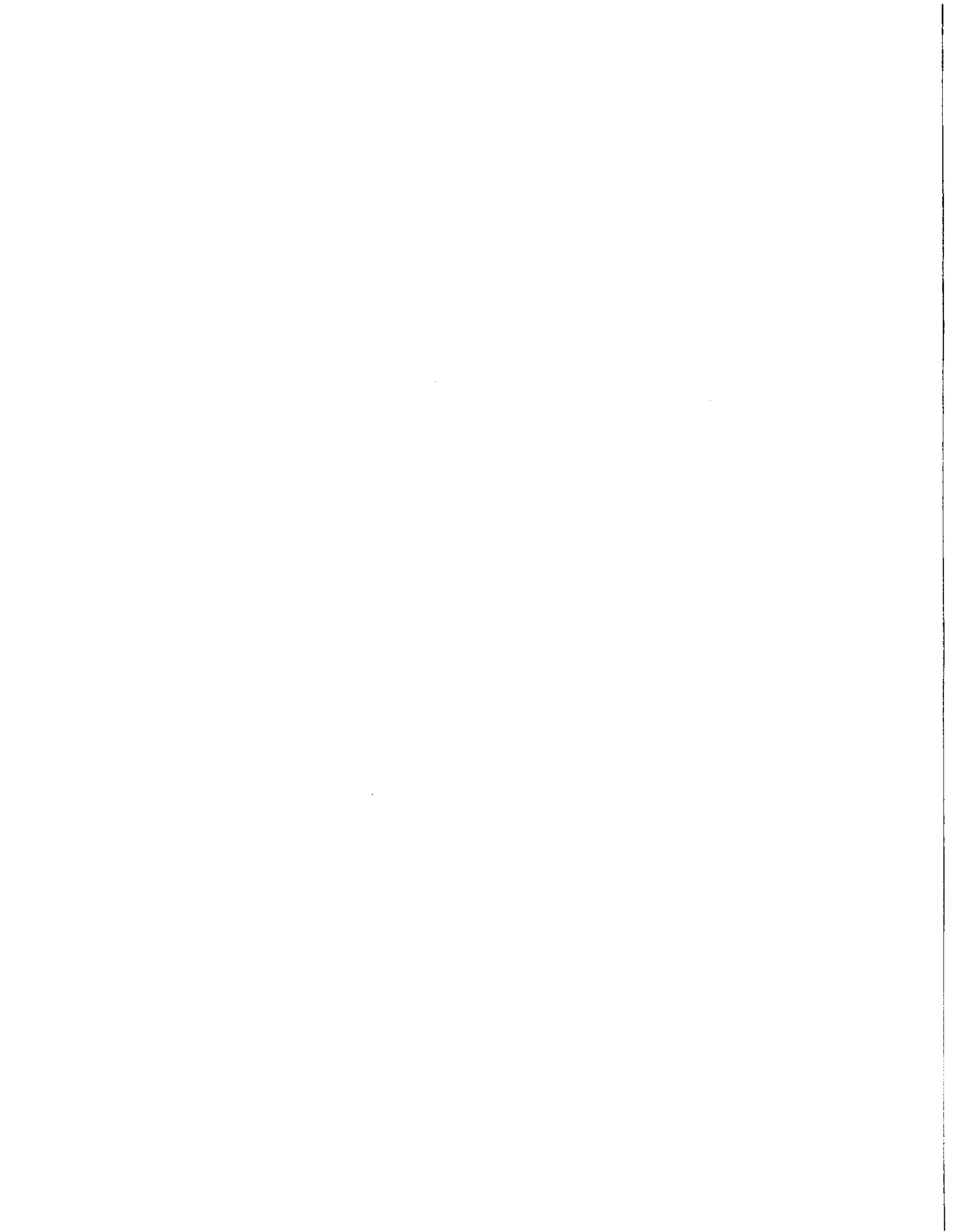
18 Remember in prayer members of the Commission for a Renewed Lutheran Church as they reconsider statements of purpose for each expression of the ELCA and the principles of our church's organizational structure.

19 Lift up prayers of joy and thanksgiving, for God has given us new life, freedom and an eternal inheritance through the risen Christ — a gift for all people!

20 Give thanks, today and every day, for those who stir our joy and hope, and resolve to *be* a source of joy and hope for others.

21 Doing God's work in the world and sharing the gospel is never a fruitless endeavor — God accomplishes what God intends. Pray for the Spirit to deepen our trust in God's power and renew our strength for continuing the important work to which God has called us.

22 Pray that, together, we will always work to identify and encourage potential leaders, deacons and pastors, so that they might respond to God's call and use their gifts to share the gospel, nurture congregations, grow the church and serve our neighbors in need.



This Week's Calendar

7/16 SUN	10:15am 9am 5:30 pm	Communion Adult Forum SCOUTS VBS / Potluck / Program begins
7/17 MON	10:30 am 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Quilting Group Scouts (Lions) Scouts (Bears) Webelos 1
7/18 TUE	9am-1pm 6pm-7pm 6pm-7pm	Office Hours / Holly VanderPlaats AA Group (Upper Hall) Girl Scouts (Lounge)
7/19 WED	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am	Office Hours (Margaret gone) Food Pantry (Drive-Thru)
7/20 THURS	9am-1pm 6pm-7pm 5:30 pm	Office Hours (Margaret gone) AA Group VBS potluck and closing program
7/21 FRI	9am-1pm	Office Hours (Margaret gone)
7/22 SAT		

Next Sunday July 23

10:15am	Communion
9am	Adult Forum

Margaret returns to the office on Monday, July 24th



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www.mittensynod.org

www.elca.org

www.whitelakescouting.com

www.whitelakechorale.com

www.hopescarves.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.