July 30, 2023 Pentecost 9

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: 1 Kings 3:5-12, Psalm 119:129-136, Romans 8:26-39, Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52. Readings for next week: August 6 - Isaiah 55:1-5, Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21, Romans 9:1-5, Matthew 14:13-21. 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

Ken Kolb, with health issues

Sandy Kolb, hip replacement surgery

Elaine Liska, at White Lake Assisted Living - Whitehall

Phyllis Monte, at Legacy of Caring - Whitehall

Gil Norwick, open heart surgery 8/4

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 Fountain, (Mary Koenen's sister) with health concerns.

Karl Glass, with health concerns

Ted Gribas, knee replacement

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

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 colorectal 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 the Holmblade family on the recent death of their aunt, Amy Jean Knorr who passed away at 106 1/2 years of age in Arizona.

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: Mary Koenen

Congregation Prayers for August 2023: Sandy Robbins; Jenna Brown;
Brian Peterson; Mike & Kathy Palmer.



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: Peace Lutheran Church / Gaylord; Rev. Megan Crouch.

Next week we pray for:

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	2,717.00
Non-Budget	393.00
In & Outs	0.00
Total Deposit	3,110.00
Fund of the Month - July VBS	255.00

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

Food Pantry Numbers for July 26 - 105 families & 253 individuals

Food Pantry Numbers for July 19 - 95 families & 174 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 July / August 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.

- 30 "Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:38-39). Thank God for this sweeping proclamation, which gives us peace and assurance in this uncertain world.
- 31 Pray for the Spirit to refresh and sustain the health, spirit and faith of young adult staff and their leaders as they serve in our summer camp ministries across the country.
- 1 "I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:38-39). What a powerful message of love and hope for us to embrace throughout life and proclaim far and wide. Praise God!
- 2 Pray for ELCA Justice for Women and its partners as they help our church and society address sexism, work for gender justice, advocate for change and encourage people of all genders to work together.
- 3 Pray for an end to the wildfires across Canada and for the relief of all people and communities affected. Give thanks for the selfless service of firefighters in Canada and from more than 10 other nations, including the United States, as they work together to protect life and respond to this widespread natural disaster.
- 4 Pray for the elected leaders of our nation, that they will discern what is right and good and serve all people, without prejudice.
- 5 Pray for an end to the Russia-Ukraine War, the conflict in Sudan and political unrest in other nations. Ask God to help us value and respect one another, exercise compassion and generosity, and find ways to work together to address common problems and challenges.



This Week's Calendar

7/30 SUN	10:15am 9am	Communion - Pastor Ogden gone Adult Forum SCOUTS
7/31 MON	9am-1pm 10:30 am 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Office Hours (Pastor Ogden gone) Quilting Group Scouts (Lions) Scouts (Bears) Webelos 1
8/1 TUE	9am-1pm 6pm-7pm 6pm-7pm	Office Hours AA Group (Upper Hall) Girl Scouts (Lounge)
8/2 WED	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am	Office Hours Food Pantry (Drive-Thru)
8/3 THURS	9am-1pm 6pm-7pm	Office Hours AA Group
8/4 FRI	9am-1pm	Office Hours
8/5 SAT		

Next Sunday August 6

10:15am 9am Communion Adult Forum



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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.