

**August 27, 2023  
Pentecost 13**

**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 51:1-6, Psalm 138, Romans 12:1-8, Matthew 16:13-20. Readings for next week: September 3 - Jeremiah 15:15-21, Psalm 26:1-8, Romans 12:9-21, Matthew 16:21-28. 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.**

**Altar flowers today are placed by Margaret Everling  
In memory of her son, Michael Nafe**

**Bible Study via Zoom on Thursday evenings at 7pm.** Please email Pastor Ogden or Kathy Keller ( [Kellerk2@msu.edu](mailto: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)  
**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**, with health concerns - surgery 8/9  
**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  
**Jan Troeger**, (Cindy Albert's sister), suffered a stroke.

**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 Shalfoe**, 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 **Barb and Doug Aardema** and family on the recent death of her nephew, **Nick Meier**.

**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 and Kathy Palmer**

*Congregation Prayers for September 2023: Karen & David Bruder; Rick & Holly Hughes; Laura Hollister; Danielle & Don Jacobs and family.*



**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 : Bethlehem Lutheran Church / Grand Rapids; Rev. Karsten Voskull - RCA.

*Next week we pray for: Faith Lutheran Church / Grand Rapids; Rev. Kevin Sullivan and local congregations and leaders.*

**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.....	836.25
Non-Budget.....	505.00
In & Outs.....	0.00
Total Deposit.....	1,341.25
Fund of the Month - August / Backpacks	605.00

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

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**Food Pantry Numbers for August 23 - 86 families & 197 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 August / September 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.*

**27** “[Jesus] asked his disciples, ‘Who do people say that the Son of Man is?’” (Matthew 16:13). Who do you say that Jesus is? Ask the Spirit to further reveal to us, through Scripture and personal witness, who Jesus is, especially when we are unsure or are reaching for words to express our faith.

**28** Many seasonal workers are heading home, back to school or toward new employment. Give thanks for their work and service throughout the summer; pray that they will find employment, housing and benefits that sustain them and their families; and pray that their spirits will be renewed and sustained in welcoming communities of faith.

**29** Praise God for the diverse gifts of our siblings in Christ. Give thanks that our unique gifts and abilities intersect to spread the gospel, serve our neighbors in need, and grow and strengthen our communities of faith.

**30** Remember in prayer students who live with a range of physical, cognitive and emotional disabilities. Pray that they will receive caring and skilled support, affirmation of their gifts and abilities, and inclusion and encouragement in our congregations.

**31** Give thanks for our church’s history of affirming the value of lifelong education. Give thanks for teachers who nurture faith, teach life skills and help people of all ages use their gifts and passions to serve neighbors in need and do God’s work in the world.

**1** Pray for God’s protection, reassurance and wisdom as climate change impacts every aspect of our lives including work, economic systems, community resilience, food stability, immigration, and physical and emotional well-being. Remember in prayer those impacted who are particularly vulnerable to poverty, hunger or illness.

**2** Give thanks to God for the love and forgiveness we have in Jesus Christ; unshakable, it endures amid all that seems unstable, temporary and conditional in our world.



*Cirkevný zbor ECAV na Slovensku Bátovce  
vás srdečne pozýva na služby Božie, na ktorých bude  
slávnostne do úradu zborového farára CZ Bátovce  
inštalovaný*

**IVAN KLINKO**

*Inštaláciu vykoná Mária Popicová,  
seniorka Dunajsko-nitrianskeho seniorátu*

*Slávnostným kazateľom bude Iveta Vachulová,  
konseniorka Myjavského seniorátu*

**NEDEĽA | 27. AUGUSTA 2023**

**10:00 hod.**

**Evanjelický kostol  
Bátovce 27**

*Všetchny sem. spas ma.  
Zám 17. 24*

### **This Week's Calendar**

<b>8/27 SUN</b>	10:15am 9am	Communion Adult Forum SCOUTS
<b>8/28 MON</b>	10:30 am 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Quilting Group Scouts (Lions) Scouts (Bears) Webelos 1
<b>8/29 TUE</b>	9am-1pm 6pm-7pm 6pm-7pm	Office Hours AA Group ( Upper Hall) Girl Scouts ( Lounge)
<b>8/30 WED</b>	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am	Office Hours <b>Food Pantry ( Drive-Thru)</b>
<b>8/31 THURS</b>	9am-1pm 6pm-7pm	Office Hours <b>AA Group</b>
<b>9/1 FRI</b>	9am-1pm	Office Hours
<b>9/2 SAT</b>		

### **Next Sunday September 3**

10:15am	Communion
9am	Adult Forum



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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.