February 25, 2024 Lent 2

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: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-31, Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38.

Readings for next week: Exodus 20:1-17, Psalm 19, 1 Corinthians 1:18-25, John 2:13-22. 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

Ruth Nurmi, with health concerns

Barb Smith, at Legacy of Caring - Whitehall

Marty Windbacher, At Poppin House

Special Prayer Concerns:

Brianne Beekman, (Terry & Mary Beekman's granddaughter) diagnosed with multiple brain tumors.

Anita Benes, ("oboe sister" of Michele Wheeler), battling leukemia

Lucas Carlson, (Terry and Mary Beekmans grandson) for new treatment.

Dan Crouch, (Curt Crouch's brother), battling cancer

Sheila Fretty, re-occurring cancer.

Elin Frietsch, diagnosed with Lymphoma

Margaret Fountain, (Mary Koenen's sister) diagnosed with multiple myeloma

Dave Gross, (Kathy Keller's brother) hospitalized in Canada

Frank Hollister, with health concerns

John Lewallen, (Mary Lewallen's brother-in-law) liver cancer

Mary Lewallen, with home & pet issues

Dwight Mead (Paula Moreau's brother-in-law), non-hodgkin lymphoma mantel type (stage four).

Lois Szczerbinski, with health issues

Deb Peabody (Statz), knee replacement January 18

Pastor Sarah Samuelson, recently diagnosed with colorectal cancer

Wendy Shalifoe, Surgery in December, now cancer free

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: Kathy Wiethoff

Congregation Prayers for March 2024:



Afways Praying for Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop, ELCA and New. Craig Satterlee, Bishop of the Northwest Lower Michigan Synod.

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 morn-

Today we pray for: Hope Lutheran Church/Marlette; Rev. John Sleziak.

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 Non-Budget In & Outs Total Deposit Fund of the Month - February - Kids Klub Fund of the Month - March Good Gifts	1,626.00 29,392.19 205.00 31,223.19 316.00
2024 Budget	214,000.00
Budgeted giving needed through Jan. (6.8%)	14,552.00
Actual giving through Jan. (6.8%)	19,418.00

Food Pantry Numbers for Feb 21: 99 families & 214 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 February / March 2024

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.

- 25 Do you know someone celebrating a momentous occasion a birth, an anniversary, recovery from illness or injury? Let their joy be your joy, and lift up prayers of thanksgiving to God.
- 26 Pray that we will not grow weary of serving our neighbors in need, both nearby and around the world. Ask the Spirit to renew us when we feel overwhelmed by human needs.
- 27 Remember in prayer the bishops of our church gathering for the Conference of Bishops in Itasca, Ill. Give thanks for their faith, gifts, wisdom and diverse perspectives, which God uses to benefit the church and help us do God's work in the world.
- 28 "In my trials, Lord, walk with me; when my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me" (*ELW* 325). Lent reminds us of our frailty, suffering and loneliness and of God's love and forgiveness, found in the life, suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Breathe a sigh of relief and thank God.
- 29 Be mindful of those in your community who lack safe shelter and adequate food. Pray that their needs will be met, and that God will use you and your congregation to meet them.
- 1 Women's History Month Give thanks for women throughout history and in our lives who have shared their gifts and leadership with the church and society, raised and cared for us, inspired us and nurtured our faith, and fought for justice, equity and inclusion. Pray for women everywhere who suffer injustice, demeaning stereotypes, violence and poverty, that they will not lose hope but will be delivered from their suffering and persecution to live freely and boldly.
- 2 Pray for our neighbors and siblings in Christ who have been driven from their homes and communities by conflict, persecution, disaster, political turmoil, economic crisis or the effects of climate change.



Thank you to all of you who helped with Nancy Peterson's funeral luncheon: John & Irene Parks, Minnie Estlund, Shawn Erwin, Mary Koenen, Barb Aardema, Laura Hollister, and Wayne Roesler.

Thank you to everyone who donated food.

I appreciate all your help!

Thanks again, Sue Roesler

This Week's Calendar

2/25 SUN	9am 10:15am 3pm-8pm	Adult Forum Communion Scouts
2/26 MON	9am-1pm 10:30 am	Office Hours Quilting
2/27 TUES	9am-1pm	Office Hours
2/28 WED	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am 12 noon 12:30-3:30pm 6pm 7:15 pm	Office Hours Food Pantry (Drive-Thru) Lenten Lunch @ Ferry Memorial Homeschool Group (Upper Hall) Potluck (nail clippers) Vespers
2/29 THURS	9am-1pm	Office Hours
3/1 FRI	9am-1pm	Office Hours
3/2 SAT		

Next Sunday, March 3

9am 10:15am Adult Forum Communion

Upcoming Events:

February 28 - nail clippers

Lenten Lunch: March 6 - @ White Lake Congregational - 12 noon



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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.