

**February 4, 2024
Epiphany 5**

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 40:21-31; Psalm 147:1-11, 20c;
1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39.**

*Readings for next week: Transfiguration of Our Lord: 2 Kings 2:1-12,
Psalm 50:1-6; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:2-9. 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 home under Hospice Care

Special Prayer Concerns:

Cindy Albert, recuperating from recent gallbladder surgery
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.
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
Jill (Chuck Miller's daughter) Knee replacement on 10/11/23
Dwight Mead (Paula Moreau's brother-in-law), non-hodgkin lymphoma mantel type (stage four).
Deb Peabody (Statz), knee replacement January 18
Pastor Sarah Samuelson, recently diagnosed with colorectal cancer
Wendy Shalifoe, undergoing chemo treatment
Donna Stacy, recuperating from knee surgery.
Verne "Barney" Sutherland, with serious heart issues

Our hearts grieve with Cynthia Lombard, Tom Peterson, and Melissa Peterson on the death of their mother, **Nancy R. Peterson** on January 28, 2024. Funeral service will take place at Lebanon Lutheran on Friday, February 16, 2024. Visitation at 10:00 am; Funeral at 11:00 am and luncheon to follow.

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 : Brad Carlson

*Congregation Prayers for February 2024: Greg & Robin Cavis;
Chris Claus; Kathy Wiethoff*



Praying for Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop, ELCA and 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 mornings.–

Today we pray for : Emanuel Lutheran Church/Ludington, Rev. Domingo Shriver.

Next week we pray for: Victory Trinity Lutheran Church / Ludington; Rev. Ron Iris.

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.....	2,667.00
Non-Budget.....	1,184.20
In & Outs.....	0.00
Total Deposit.....	3,851.20
Fund of the Month - January - Quilting....	265.00
Fund of the Month - February - Kids Klub...	0.00

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 Jan 31: 110 families & 253 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 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.

4 Give thanks for Jesus, our Savior, who changed the world not by force or coercion but by demonstrating God's lifesaving love, mercy, care for those who suffer and welcome for those who are excluded. Pray that the example of Jesus and the word of God will guide us in living for one another and sharing the gospel.

5 Pray for peace, healing and justice in places of conflict and violence, especially Ukraine, the Holy Land, Myanmar, Haiti, Venezuela and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

6 "The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary" (Isaiah 40:28). Who better to have at our side during every twist and turn in life than God, who is mighty, merciful and concerned for our well-being? Give praise and thanks to God!

7 Remember in prayer our neighbors and siblings in Christ who experience domestic abuse — physical, sexual or emotional. Pray that they will find refuge, community support and care for their injury and trauma. Give thanks for the work of ELCA Justice for Women, Women of the ELCA and community organizations that serve victims and survivors of domestic violence.

8 Praise God for the 50th anniversary of ELCA World Hunger and the ways God continues to use our collective assets to impact the world and serve our neighbors in need.

9 Promise to follow in the footsteps of Paul, who was mindful of the responsibility God had entrusted him with to share the gospel with people of various cultures, beliefs and life circumstances.

10 Pray that the Spirit will strengthen and sustain Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, stir her wisdom and renew her vision for our church and its mission.

11 Like Jesus' disciples, we are often confused, fearful and full of questions, longing to understand what God is doing through Jesus and what we must do as followers. Pray for God's patience as our faith matures and we learn how to be faithful followers of Jesus Christ.



A Huge Thank You to Tony DeNicolo
for cleaning out the kitchen frig!

Awesome job Tony!

This Week's Calendar

2/4 SUN	9am 10:15am 3pm-8pm	Adult Forum Communion Scouts
2/5 MON	9am-1pm 10:30 am	Office Hours Quilting
2/6 TUES	9am-1pm	Office Hours
2/7 WED	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am 12:30-3:30pm	Office Hours Food Pantry (Drive-Thru) Homeschool Group (Upper Hall) Health Kit set-up
2/8 THURS	9am-1pm	Office Hours
2/9 FRI	9am-1pm	Office Hours
2/10 SAT	9am-3pm	Kids Hooked on Fishing

Next Sunday, February 11

9am 10:15am	Adult Forum Communion
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Upcoming Events:

February 7 - Table and back stock set up
February 14 - Health Kits - Towels
February 16 - Peterson Funeral at 11am
February 21 - Combs
February 28 - nail clippers

Lenten Lunches begin : February 21 - @ St. Peter's By-the-Lake 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 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

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.