

**April 21, 2024
Easter 4**

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: Acts 4:5-12, Psalm 23, 1 John 3:16-24, John 10:11-18.

Readings for next week: Acts 8:26-40, Psalm 22:25-31, 1 John 4:7-21, John 15:1-8. Try reading these ahead at home and see if you can find what holds them together. We need a volunteer reader for Sundays.

**The choir anthem for today is: The Lord Is My Shepherd,
music by Thomas Koschat**

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 they 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.
Family and friends of Shirley M., as they mourn her 4/2/24 death. Shirley was a dear friend of Barb Aardema.
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
Dan Hendrick, (Curt Crouch's brother) battling cancer
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).
Tom Munn, (Frank Hollister's friend), at SKLD-Whitehall, recuperating from multiple strokes and health issues.
Lois Szczerbinski, with health issues

Pastor Sarah Samuelson, recently diagnosed with colorectal cancer
Wendy Shalifoe, Surgery in December, now cancer free
Paul Vof, (Ken and Sandy Kolb's son-in-law) hearing issues
Darlene Willbrandt, knee replacement on April 22

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: Karl Gerlach

Congregational prayers for April 2024: Penny Gorbach



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 : Trinity Lutheran Church / New Era; Rev. Sarah Samuelson.**

Next week we pray for: Bethany Lutheran Church / Northport; Rev. Chrysanne Timm.

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.....	1,732.00
Non-Budget.....	1,400.00
In & Outs.....	248.08
Total Deposit.....	3,380.08
Fund of the Month - March Good Gifts	1,378.00

2024 Budget	214,000.00
Budgeted giving needed through March (22.2%)	47,508.00
Actual giving through March	48,306.85

Food Pantry Numbers for April 17 - 106 families & 230 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 April 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.

21 Jesus, our good and loving shepherd, laid down his life for us, his sheep. Give thanks and praise to God!

22 Remember in prayer our neighbors and siblings in Christ whose vocations pull them away from their family, friends, congregation and community. Pray that the Holy Spirit will sustain their faith and spirit and that we will express our connection with them as they come and go.

23 To whom do we turn when we are tired or unsure of our path in life? Praise God, who stays by our side through every twist and turn.

24 Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assembly of the Rocky Mountain Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

25 Give thanks for the numerous volunteers from across the country who are training to help youth and their adult leaders at the ELCA Youth Gathering this summer in New Orleans.

26 Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assembly of the Alaska Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

27 Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Northeastern Minnesota and Virginia synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.



June Newsletter Deadline is May 8, 2024 due to Margaret's vacation. Please get your information into the church office by that deadline.

Thank You!

At Step Up, the non-profit in Muskegon which helps transitioning young people to adulthood, volunteers will be removing old carpet in one of their 2 houses this week. And on Sat. volunteers will finish the removal then replace it with carpet squares.

If you wish to join in this worthwhile effort, please talk to Frank Hollister about work details or donating toward its mission.

A Thrivent Action Card is utilized toward the carpet cost.

This Week's Calendar

4/21 SUN	9am 10:15am 3pm-6:30 pm	Adult Forum / Kids Klub Communion / Bell Choir performs Scouts
4/22 MON	9am-1pm 10:30 am	Office Hours Quilting
4/23 TUES	9am-1pm	Office Hours
4/24 WED	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am 12:30-3:30pm	Office Hours Food Pantry (Drive-Thru) Homeschool Group (Upper Hall)
4/25 THURS	9am-1pm	Office Hours
4/26 FRI	9am-1pm	Office Hours
4/27 SAT		

Next Sunday, April 28

9am 10:15am 3:30-6:30pm	Adult Forum Communion Scouts
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May 8 - June Newsletter Deadline

May 11 - Synod Assembly

May 11 - Women's Club Flower Sale - 10am—noon @ LLC



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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

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.