September 1, 2024 Pentecost 15

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: **Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9; Psalm 15; James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23.**

Readings for next week: Isaiah 35:4-7a; Psalm 146; James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17; Mark 7:24-37

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 they occur.

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. 95337 W. McMillan, N. Muskegon 49445

Mary Bernhardt, at Robinswood Assisted Living #115 (Kay Snell) 2650 Ruddiman, N. Muskegon 49445

Jane Blyth, 28801 Jefferson Ave., Apt. 332; Saint Clair Shores, MI 48081

Chris Claus, American House - 18100 174th Avenue, Spring Lake, MI 49456

Karl Glass, with health concerns, 3232 Richmond NW, Walker, MI 49534

Marlene Holmstrom, at Hillcrest for rehab after a fall. 695 Mitzi, North Muskegon, MI 49445

Ken & Sandy Kolb, with health issues - 6755 W. Old Channel Trail; Montague 49437

Elaine Liska, Sunrise Senior Living—Sunrise of Troy; 6870 Crooks Road, Troy, MI 48098-1704. Elaine Liska—Room 130.

Phyllis Monte, at Legacy of Caring - Whitehall—1302 Warner Street, Whitehall 49461

Ruth Nurmi, with health concerns—308 E. Dayton Street, Fremont, 49412

Barb Smith, at Legacy of Caring - Whitehall—1302 Warner Street, Whitehall 49461

Special Prayer Concerns:

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

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

Sheila Fretty, re-occurring cancer.

Elin Frietsch, diagnosed with Lymphoma

Larry Frietsch, on Hospice care at home

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

Karl Glass, with health concerns

Lon Grover, (Lucinda Grover's brother) with health concerns.

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

Pastor Sarah Samuelson, at home, diagnosed with colorectal cancer Paul Vos, (Ken and Sandy Kolb's son-in-law) hearing issues
Billie Welch (Cheri Crouch's nephew) with health issues
Mary Wilson (Meg Eaton's mother) hospitalized with hip fracture
Our neighbors in the White Lake Area, after devastating losses from the recent storms.

For families dealing with dementia

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: Kate Kesteloot Scarbrough

Congregational prayers for September 2024: Carl & Linda Schenten; Sulyn Dean Schmuker; Lora Swenson; Amy Swope.



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: Saron Lutheran Church/St. Joseph; Supply Pastors and Local congregations and leaders.

Next week we pray for: Immanuel Lutheran Church/Suttons Bay; Rev. Jonathan Reid.

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!

Cheri Crouch would like to thank you for all your prayers during her recent health issues.

Last Week at Lebanon

Budget	2,692.00
Non-Budget	265.00
In & Outs	0.00
Total Deposit	2,957.00
Fund of the Month - Backpacks	435.00

2024 Budget	214,000.00
Budgeted giving needed through August (62.5%)	133,750.00
Actual giving through August	114,464.00
Shortfall	19,286.00

Food Pantry Numbers for 8/28 - 90 families & 194 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 September 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.

- 1 "It is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, debauchery, envy, slander, pride, folly" (Mark 7:21-22). Recognizing that evil intentions and actions come from the human heart, confess your weakness to God, who is rich in mercy and loves us even in our imperfection.
- 2 Labor Day Recognize and pray for the work people do to sustain their families and benefit their communities and society. Pray that all will receive fair wages, work in safe environments, be renewed through times of sabbath, and experience joy and fulfillment in their labor. Pray for those who seek employment and for the care, support and well-being of people unable to work.
- 3 National Suicide Prevention Month Pray for those who feel lonely, depressed and hopeless, that they will find compassion and spiritual renewal in times of darkness and suffering. Ask the Spirit how we might best respond to our neighbors and siblings in Christ who are struggling.
- 4 Ask the Spirit to help us be doers and hearers of the word of God, looking beyond our own needs and attending to the needs of our suffering neighbors.
- 5 Give thanks for the thousands of young people who attended the ELCA Youth Gathering in July and raised nearly \$100,000 for Generation Zero-Hunger, supporting ELCA World Hunger in its work to end hunger and poverty and to transform lives, families and communities around the world.
- 6 Pray for communities and congregations vulnerable to the hurricanes, that they will be prepared, resilient and ready to serve their neighbors impacted by severe weather. Give thanks for the many ways immediate and long term that Lutheran Disaster Response gathers resources to relieve suffering, support recovery and healing, and stir hope.
- 7 Pray for ELCA campus ministries across the country as they engage students, faculty, staff and others to experience God's abundant grace



Choir will be starting up September 15, 2024. I have several songs in mind already and am looking forward to presenting them. We can always use new voices, so if you have been meaning to extend your singing from the shower to broader vistas, now is the time. There are no try outs, just enjoyment of singing and willingness to: "Make a joyful noise to the Lord"

Please join us after service on September 8th and beyond. See how singing in a group can be uplifting.

Diane Eastman, choir director

Bell Choir will resume on September 29th!





Congregation Potluck/Picnic 1pm Hollister's Water's Edge Lodge 6195 Murray Road Whitehall, MI 49461

Bring a dish to pass, swimsuits, towels and lawn chairs. Games, swimming, fun and great food!

This Week's Calendar

9/1 SUN 9am 10:15am Adult Forum Communion

Scout Court of Honor

9/2 MON Office Closed / Labor Day Scout Group overnight

9/3 TUES 9am-1pm 11-3:30 pm Office Hours Voice Lessons

9/4 WED 9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am

Office Hours

Food Pantry (Drive-Thru)

9/5 THURS 9am-1pm

Office Hours'

9/6 FRI 9am-1pm

Office Hours

9/7 SAT

9-12 noon

White Lake Women

Next Sunday, September 8

9am

Adult Forum Communion

10:15am 1pm

Congregation Picnic/Potluck @

Hollister's Water's Edge

4:30-6:30pm

Scout Can Drive

Upcoming Events:

9/16 6-9pm 9/19 5-8pm White Lake Chorale Kick-off White Lake Sportsfishing

9/21 5a

5am/3pm?

Ragnar Relay



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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.