August 25, 2024 Pentecost 14

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: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18; Psalm 34:15-22; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69.

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

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.

Altar Flowers today are placed by Margaret Everling in memory of her son, Michael Nafe.

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

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

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

Ken 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.

Cheri Crouch, with health concerns.

Sheila Fretty, re-occurring cancer.

Elin Frietsch, diagnosed with Lymphoma

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

Karl Glass, with health concerns

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

Sandy Kolb, 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).

Tom Munn, (Frank Hollister's friend), health issues.

Lois Szczerbinski, with health issues

Pastor Sarah Samuelson, recently diagnosed with colorectal cancer

Paul Vof, (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: Hannah Romain

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



Praying for Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop, ELCA and New Craig Satterlee, Bishop of the Northwest Lower Michigan Syn-

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: Spruce Lutheran Church / Spruce; Rev. Leslie Nye.

Next week we pray for: Saron Lutheran Church/St. Joseph; Supply Pastors 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	1,411.00 55.00 0.00 1,466.00 425.00
2024 Budget Budgeted giving needed through July (54.3%) Actual giving through June Shortfall	214,000.00 116,202.00 104,946.00 11.256.00

Food Pantry Numbers for 8/14 - 99 families & 222 individuals. 8/21 - 93 families & 198 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 August 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 "Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God?" (John 6:66-69). Ask the Spirit to renew and strengthen our faith in Jesus Christ, the living Word of God, especially when we grapple with the hard sayings of Jesus and wonder how to live by the gospel.
- 26 Give thanks for Sunday school teachers, volunteers, Bible study leaders and faith formation coordinators, who share their faith, time and gifts to build up the church and equip all ages for our baptismal journey of witness and service.
- 27 Give thanks and praise to God for young adults who served at Lutheran summer camps across the country, impacting the lives of children, youth and adults. Pray that they will continue to seek opportunities for ministry in response to God's call for service and leadership.
- 28 Pray for understanding that the "whole armor of God" (Ephesians 6:10) is a gift from God to protect our faith in Christ when we are confronted by temptation and things that weaken our faith.
- 29 Pray for our siblings in Christ around the world who are baptized as children of God, and for our common journey of lifelong growth and learning as we witness to God's mercy, care for others and celebrate God's presence in our lives.
- 30 Give thanks and praise to God for responding to our cries for help—silent and spoken—in times of trouble, when our spirits are crushed.
- 31 Who or what has drawn your attention and inspired your prayers today? Ask the Spirit to embolden you to move forward and respond.



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!



This Week's Calendar

8/25 SUN	9am 10:15am	Adult Forum Communion Scout Court of Honor
8/26 MON	9am-1pm 10:30 am	Office Hours Quilting
8/27 TUES	9am-1pm 11-3:30 pm 6pm	Office Hours Voice Lessons Church Council
8/28 WED	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am	Office Hours Food Pantry (Drive-Thru)
8/29 THURS	9am-1pm	Office Hours
8/30 FRI	9am-1pm	Office Hours
8/31 SAT		

Next Sunday, August 25

9am	Adult Forum
10:15am	Communion
3:30pm	Scouts
5-6:30 pm	Court of Honor

Upcoming Events:

Scout Group Overnight 8/29 & 9/2

9/8 Congregation Potluck/Picnic at Hollister's Water's Edge—1pm

9/8 Scout Can Drive—4:30 pm-6:30 pm



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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.