September 15, 2024 Pentecost 17

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 50:4-9a; Psalm 116:1-9; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38.

Readings for next week: Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 54; James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37.

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 - 17383 174th Avenue, Spring Lake, MI 49456

Karl & Shirley 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

Donna Will, at The Poppen House, 2065 E. Mt. Garfield Road, Muskegon, MI 49444

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

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

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 For families dealing with dementia

Our hearts grieve for the Frietsch family & friends on the recent death of Larry Frietsch on 9/3/24. A funeral will take place at Lebanon Lutheran on 9/28 at 11:30 am.

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: Sulyn Dean Schmuker

Congregational prayers for September 2024: Lora Swenson; Amy Swope.



Afways 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: St. John's Lutheran Church / Three Rivers; Rev. James Smith.

Next week we pray for: Bethlehem Lutheran Church / Traverse City; Rev. Paul Busekist.

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	7,078.00
Non-Budget	40.00
In & Outs	0.00
Total Deposit	7,118.00
Fund of the Month—Sept Faith Formation	25.00

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 9/11 - 83 families & 176 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.

- 15 First Day of Hispanic Heritage Month Give thanks to God for the gifts, contributions and rich cultural diversity of our Latiné neighbors and siblings in Christ. Pray for the growth and vitality of the ELCA's 147 Latiné ministries as they share the gospel, support rostered and lay leaders, promote inclusivity and diversity, and serve their neighbors. Pray for the Spirit to guide and further the work of the ELCA Latino Ministries Association.
- 16 "[Jesus] asked [the disciples], 'But who do you say that I am?'" (Mark 8:29). Pray for the Spirit to help us express our faith in Jesus Christ as Son of the living God our savior, liberator, teacher, healer and true hope for the world.
- 17 Give thanks for the Christian Education Network of the ELCA, which connects professionals and volunteers and encourages their mutual care and support as they serve in vocations of lifelong faith formation in congregations and other ministries.
- 18 "[The Lord has] delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling" (Psalm 116:8). Give thanks and praise to God for hearing our pleas, responding, and accompanying us through every difficulty.
- 19 Pray that we might honor our Creator by treating people with love and mercy, giving thanks for what we have, practicing generosity, managing natural resources responsibly and telling others of God's amazing power and grace.
- 20 Recognizing that we each have strengths and shortcomings, pray that we will attend to one another's needs, mindful of God's forgiveness and grace that surround us and of our renewal in the sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion.
- 21 Thank God for the ELCA's special relationship with the United Church of Christ, a full communion partner since 1997. Pray for the church, its members and its leaders, that together we will find strength, resources and encouragement for the work of sharing the gospel, serving our neighbor and growing the church.



Choir will be starting up today! 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 today 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

9/15 SUN	9am 10:15am 2-4pm	Adult Forum Communion DeColores Meeting (Upper Hall)
9/16 MON	9am-1pm 3pm-5pm 6pm-9pm	Office Hours Voice Lessons (sanctuary) White Lake Chorale Kick-off
9/17 TUES	9am-1pm 3-5pm 6-7:30pm 6:30pm	Office Hours Voice Lessons (Sanctuary) Choir Group (Sanctuary) Church Council Meeting
9/18 WED	9am—1pm 9:30am-10:30 am 3-5pm 6-7:30pm	Office Hours Food Pantry (Drive-Thru) Voice Lessons (Sanctuary) Choir Group (Sanctuary)
9/19 THURS	9am-1pm 5pm-8pm	Office Hours White Lake Sportsfishing (lounge)
9/20 FRI	9am-1pm	Office Hours
9/21 SAT	5am - ?	Ragnar Relay

Next Sunday, September 22

9am	Adult Forum / Choir
10:15am	Communion
2-4pm	DeColores Meeting (Upper Hall)
3:30pm	Scouts

Upcoming Events:

9/28 - Frietsch Funeral @ 11:30 am 9/29 - Bell Choir begins 10//3-10/6 - DeColores Weekend retreat (Private church use)



Lebanon Lutheran Church

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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.