March 2, 2025 Transfiguration of Our Lord

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: Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99, 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a].

Readings for next week: Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16, Romans 10:8b-13, Luke 4:1-13.

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.

5337 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 Glass, @ Edison Christian Health Care Center, 1000 Edison St., Grand Rapids, MI 49504. Room #382.

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

Marlene Holmstrom, at home. 2643 Benston Road, Whitehall, 49461

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:

Cindy Albert, implant surgery for sleep apnea

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 suffered a relapse New Treatment has begun.

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

Frank Hollister, for continued healing

Dottie Holmblade, (Brian Holmblade's sister) for no side effects from chemotherapy restarted for cancer diagnosis

Lauralee Kesteloot, recuperating after a hip fracture

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

Harry & Yolanta Swiatek; Harry uses a wheelchair and is in a nursing home between Pentwater and Ludington. Yolanta is at the Medilodge of Ludington, 1000 E. Tinkham Ave., Ludington, MI 49431 after a fall resulted in hip & femur fractures.

Linda Umstead, (Carol Norwick's sister), with health issues Paul Vos, (Ken and Sandy Kolb's son-in-law) hearing issues

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: Ted & Sharon Gribas

Congregational prayers for March 2025: Sharon Barnes; Eric & Stephanie Hein; Charlie & Michaelanne Hendrixon; Alan & Vicki Hinks.



Praying for Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop, ELCA and New 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: Messiah Lutheran Church / Constantine; Rev. Thomas Pederson and local congregations and leaders. Next week we pray for: Christ United Church/ Dewitt; Rev. Alex Aivars.

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	1,820.85
Non-Budget	100.00
In & Outs	0.00
Total Deposit	1,920.85
Fund of the Month - February/Kids Klub	255.00

2025 Budget	208,519.00
Budgeted giving needed through February (12.8%)	26,690.43
Actual giving through February	18,892.85
Shortfall	7,797.58

Food Pantry Numbers for February 26: 98 families & 200 individuals.

NOTE: PANTRY HOURS ARE 9:30 AM TO 10:30 AM

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 March 2025

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.

- 2 Thank God for the example of Jesus Christ, focusing not on his crucifixion but on what God reveals to us through his journey of life, suffering, death and resurrection.
- 3 Pray for lasting and resilient peace in the Holy Land and Middle East, that those who have suffered and lost much will experience justice, hope and healing as they rebuild their lives and communities.
- 4 Praise God for young people who serve our neighbors through ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM), working alongside global companion churches and organizations. Pray that their yearlong journeys will be blessings to the communities they serve and will strengthen their faith, clarity of vocation and understanding of people in diverse contexts.
- 5 Ash Wednesday Pray that we will wear the mark of the cross on our foreheads with humility and repentance and will remember why we are baptized into Christ: to proclaim the gospel, bear love and mercy into the world, serve our neighbors, strive for justice, grow in faith and glorify God in all we do and say.
- 6 Ask the Spirit to guide us through the season of Lent, that it might strengthen our faith in God's sacrificial love through Jesus Christ. Give thanks for the knowledge that we live in God's all-encompassing grace, given despite our weakness, uncertainty and arrogance.
- 7 Lift up praise and thanksgiving that God is perfect, impartial and ever present, defending those who suffer.
- 8 Remember in prayer our national leaders, that they will exercise wisdom, compassion, justice, mercy, respect for the diversity of humankind and attentiveness to those who are neglected and excluded. Pray that our leaders will foster well-being in our communities, nation and world.

Personal Care Kits Schedule

March 5-9 - bath towels

March 12-16 - combs

March 19-23 - nail clippers

March 26-30 - toothpaste

April 2-6 - toothbrushes

April 9-13 - bar soap

April 13 (Palm Sunday) 9am - Assembly





Looking for office coverage for March 31st, April 1, and 3rd.

If you can spare a few hours any of those days, please let Margaret know. Thank You!

and Lenten Midweek Events

March 5: 6:30 potluck and 7:15 pm Ash Wednesday worship March 12 & 19: 6:30 potluck and 7:15 pm Holden Prayer for Healing March 26 - April 16: potluck 6:30-7:15 pm and Peter Sagal documentaries, Constitution USA 7-8 pm

Sundays

Dramas March 30 and April 6 in lieu of sermon Passion reading for Palm Sunday, April 13

This Week's Calendar

3/2 SUN	9am 10:15am	Adult Forum Communion
3/3 MON	9am-1pm 10:30am	Office Hours Quilting
3/4 TUES	9am-1pm	Office Hours
3/5 WED	9am-1pm 9:30am-10:30am 12:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:15 pm	Office Hours/Ash Wednesday Food Pantry Homeschool group (upper hall) Potluck Ash Wednesday worship
3/6 THURS	9am-1pm 6pm	Office Hours Craft Group (Upper Hall)
3/7 FRI		Office Closed
3/8 SAT		

Next Sunday, March 9, 2025—Lent 1

9am 10:15am Adult Forum Communion



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Lebanon Lutheran Church

1101 S. Mears Avenue Whitehall, MI 49461 (231) 893-5745 Rev. Douglas M. Ogden

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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.