

**March 30, 2025
Lent 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 : Joshua 5:9-12, Psalm 32, 2 Corinthians 5:16-21, Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32.

Readings for next week: April 6 - Isaiah 43:16-21, Psalm 126, Philippians 3:4b-14, John 12:1-8. Try reading these ahead at home and see if you can find what holds them together.

We need a volunteer reader for Sundays.

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 under Hospice care.

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:

Esther & Roy Baldridge, Esther is starting chemotherapy treatment.

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

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

Margaret Everling, for safe travels.

Sheila Fretty, re-occurring cancer.

Margaret Fountain, (Mary Koenen's sister) diagnosed with multiple myeloma suffered a relapse. New treatment has begun.

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).

Wayne Roesler, with health concerns

Harry & Yolanta Swiatek; Harry uses a wheelchair and is in a nursing home between Pentwater and Ludington. Yolanta is now at home & thanks the congregation for the prayers for them both.

Linda Umstead, (Carol Norwick's sister), with health issues

Our hearts grieve with **Lisa Clark and family** on the recent death of her father, **Mitch Johnson**. A funeral service was held at Lebanon on 3/22.

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: David Hendrixon

Congregational prayers for April 2025: Elly Hendrixon; Marie Hendrixon, Samantha Hendrixon, Alan & Vicki Hinks



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: University Lutheran Church / East Tawas; Rev. Emily Shipman & Rev. Zachary Shipman.

Next week we pray for: Grace Lutheran Church/East Tawas; Rev. Max Miller.

**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.....	3,324.00
Non-Budget.....	1,139.65
In & Outs.....	409.00
Total Deposit.....	4,872.65
Fund of the Month - March - Good Gifts	465.00

2025 Budget 208,519.00

Food Pantry Numbers for March 26: 110 families & 231 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/April 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.

30 Hallelujah! God's loving embrace surpasses our wildest hopes, restoring us as God's children through the life, suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

31 Ask the Spirit to equip, inspire and guide us as ambassadors of Christ in the world, children of God who love our neighbors in need and share the good news with everyone.

1 Pray for lasting peace between nations and for the healing of people who suffer conflict, war and violence, especially in Ukraine, Russia, Gaza, Israel, Syria, Haiti, Myanmar and regions of Africa.

2 *Arab American Heritage Month* Give thanks for the contributions and impact of Arab Americans in every aspect of society, including religion, education, science, business, government and the arts. Ask God to bless and further the work of ELCA Arab and Middle Eastern Ministries and the Association of Lutherans of Arab and Middle Eastern Heritage.

3 "You have come down to the lakeshore seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy, but only asking for me to follow" (*WOV* 784). Praise God for seeking us out and, despite our imperfection, making us humble disciples, equipped and inspired by the Spirit.

4 Pray for church leaders, liturgists, scholars and scientists gathering to discuss including the Feast of Creation Day in liturgical calendars, an effort organized by the Roman Catholic Church in partnership with the Lutheran World Federation, World Council of Churches, World Methodist Council, Anglican Communion and World Communion of Reformed Churches. Ask the Spirit to guide their study and discussion of climate justice, the Nicene Creed, the role of the Holy Trinity in creation, and how Christians engage with the creation story.

5 Remember in prayer worship leaders and musicians participating in the ecumenical Music that Makes Community workshop in Waco, Texas, a day of building community through singing, learning and fellowship.

Personal Care Kits Schedule

March 26-30 - toothpaste

April 2-6 - toothbrushes

April 9-13 - bar soap

April 13 (Palm Sunday) 9am - Assembly



Thank you to **Barb Aardema** who volunteered to cover the church office on Thursday, April 3rd, and to **Sue Roesler** who will be covering the office on March 31, April 1 and April 2!

I appreciate your help!

and Lenten Midweek Events

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

3/30 SUN	9am 10:15am	Adult Forum Worship / Bell Choir performs Pastor Ogden in Ohio
3/31 MON	9am-1pm 10:30am	Office Hours Quilting
4/1 TUES	9am-1pm	Office Hours
4/2 WED	9am-1pm 9:30am-10:30am 12 noon 12:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:15 pm	Office Hours Food Pantry Lenten Lunch @ WL Methodist Homeschool group (upper hall) Potluck Holden Evening Prayer
4/3 THURS	9am-1pm 6pm	Office Hours Craft Group (Upper Hall)
4/4 FRI		Office Closed
4/5 SAT		

Next Sunday, April 6, 2025

9am	Adult Forum
10:15am	Communion

The White Lake Women's Club is once again selling hanging baskets for Mother's Day.

Orders are due by April 8th.

If you would like to order, please see Minnie Estlund, Flo King or Donna Stacy.

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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.