May 18, 2025 Easter 5

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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 <u>www.everywomansplace.org</u>

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.

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 : Acts 11:1-18, Psalm 148, Revelation 21:1-6, John 13:31-35.

Readings for next week: Acts 16:9-15, Psalm 67, Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5, John 14:23-29. 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.

Choir anthem "Because You Are God's Chosen Ones" by G. Alan Smith. Michele Wheeler Oboe

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
- Lois Szczerbinski, C/O Robbinswood-Northcrest 2650 Ruddiman N. Muskegon, MI 49445

Special Prayer Concerns:

- Esther & Roy Baldridge, Esther is in chemotherapy treatment.
- 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.
- Margaret Fountain, (Mary Koenen's sister) diagnosed with multiple myeloma suffered a relapse. New treatment has begun.

This Week's Calendar

5/18 SUN	8:45 am 9am 9:30 am 10:15am 6 pm - 8 pm	Bell Choir Adult Forum Kids Klub Worship Whitehall Baccalaureate Synod Assembly begins
5/19 MON	9am-1pm	Office Hours Pastor @ Synod Assembly
5/20 TUES	9am-1pm 10:30 am	Office Hours Pastor @ Synod Assembly Quilting
	6pm	Church Council
5/21 WED	9am-1pm 9:30am-10:30am 12:30 pm	Office Hours Food Pantry Homeschool group (upper hall)
5/22 THURS	9am-1pm 7pm	Office Hours Historical Society/TBD
5/23 FRI		Office Closed Gingerly Clean here
5/24 SAT		Frietsch Grad Party

Next Sunday, May 25

9am	Adult Forum
10:15am	Communion

<u>Church office will be closed on Monday, May 26 for Memorial</u> <u>Day</u>



Swim Lessons will begin July 2025.

July 7-10 and July 14-17.

Certified YMCA instructor

Lessons will once again be held at the Crouch Pool 1230 Schuler, North Muskegon, MI 49445.

Cost and details soon!



The White Lake Area Food Pantry needs a volunteer to assist with parking on Wednesday mornings. If you can spare an hour or so, beginning at 8:30am, please see Margaret or Pastor Ogden. **Dottie Holmblade**, (Brian Holmblade's sister) for no side effects from chemotherapy restarted for cancer diagnosis

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

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: Marlene Holmstrom

Congregational prayers for May 2025: Brian Hosticka.

Congregational prayers for June 2025: Marsha and Chuck Hulce; Charles & Sally Jackson, Sylvia and Matthew; Valerie Johnson; Kristine Jordahl, Terry & Lauralee Kesteloot.



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: Peace Lutheran Church / Gaylord; Rev. Megan Crouch; and Synod Assembly 2025, Bishop Craig Satterlee, Ms. Sandy Schleisinger, Vice President Synod Council Next week we pray for: Christ the King Lutheran Church / Gladwin; Rev. Emily Olsen-Brandt.

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!



WHS Baccalaureate will be held tonightfrom 6pm-8pm at Lebanon Lutheran

Congratulations to all area graduates !

Last Week at Lebanon

Budget	6,088.01
Non-Budget	283.00
In & Outs	660.00
Total Deposit	7,031.01
Fund of the Month - Synod Benevolence	215.00

2025 Budget	208,519.00
Budgeted giving needed through April (31.8%)	66,309.04
Actual budgeted giving through April	52,787.62
Shortfall	13,521.42

Food Pantry Numbers for May 14: 104 families & 220 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 May 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.

18 Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assembly of the North/West Lower Michigan Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

19 Give thanks and pray for women from global companion churches who participate in the International Women Leaders program of our church. Ask God to nurture and enrich their leadership skills through seminars, south-to-south exchanges, in-country study programs and degree programs at ELCA colleges and universities.

20 "Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!" (Psalm 148:1). Join with all creation to sing praises to God, who creates, loves and sustains all things — including a diverse and complex humankind.

21 Pray for the Spirit to stir our wisdom, skills, creativity and commitment so that we might work together to address the vexing problems of our society, including hunger, poverty, racism, gun violence, mental illness, inaccessible health care and inadequate care for older adults.

22 Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assembly of the Rocky Mountain Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and inspire them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders and encourage one another to proclaim the gospel and serve our neighbors in need.

23 Give thanks for the ELCA's Lay Schools for Ministry program, which creates opportunities for lifelong learning that equip us for our baptismal vocations in this church and in the world.

24 Remember in prayer people who work in seasonal jobs, that communities of faith will welcome and support them and that employers will meet their needs for housing, food, fair wages and recognition. Pray that we might express our gratitude to and affirm those who work behind the scenes.