

**May 25, 2025  
Easter 6**

**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 9:36-43, Psalm 23, Revelation 7:9-17,  
John 10:22-30**

*Readings for next week: Acts 16:16-34, Psalm 97, Revelation  
12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26.*

*Try reading these ahead at home and see if you can find what holds them together.*

*We need a volunteer reader for Sundays.*

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*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](http://www.lebanonlutheranchurch.com)*

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**Worship on the Web & in person - Sundays at 10:15am**

**Stay tuned to our Facebook page for more updates when they occur.**

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Altar flowers are placed by Margaret Everling in memory of her son, Michael Nafe, father, Kenneth Doran and uncle, Tom Doran on Memorial Day.

## **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 Robbinswood 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**, Robbinswood Assisted Living, 2650 Ruddiman  
North Muskegon, MI 49445

### Special Prayer Concerns:

**Esther & Roy Baldridge**, Esther is in chemotherapy treatment.

**Brianne Beekman**, (Terry & Mary Beekman's granddaughter) diag-  
nosed 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 multi-  
ple myeloma suffered a relapse. New treatment has begun.

**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).

**Sarah Schmalz**, recuperating from surgery.

**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: Brian Hosticka**

*Congregational prayers for June 2025: Marsha & Chuck Hulce; Charles & Sally Jackson, Matthew and Sylvia; 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: Christ the King Lutheran Church / Gladwin; Rev. Emily Olsen-Brandt.**

*Next week we pray for: Settlement Lutheran Church/Gowell; Rev. Nan Dehnke 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.....	2,509.33
Non-Budget.....	0.00
In & Outs.....	0.00
Total Deposit.....	2,509.33
Fund of the Month - May - Synod Benevolence	275.00

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

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Food Pantry Numbers for May 21: 105 families & 210 individuals.

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

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### **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.*

**25** Give thanks and praise to God for the gift of the Holy Spirit, who is always with us to teach us how to serve as compassionate and courageous disciples of Christ throughout our lives.

**26** *Memorial Day* Remember, honor and give thanks for those in the armed forces who have given their lives for the sake of peace, justice and freedom. Remember the families and loved ones who supported their service, grieve their loss and carry forward their memory and legacy.

**27** "May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us" (Psalm 67:1). Pray that all people and nations will know and give thanks for God's boundless love, forgiveness and power to make all things new through Jesus Christ, even when we can't envision the possibility.

**28** Ask the Spirit to help us respond to the call to participate in God's work in the world, no matter where it might lead, who we might encounter or what God might ask of us.

**29** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Montana, North Carolina and Southeastern synods, 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.

**30** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Delaware-Maryland, Greater Milwaukee, Metropolitan Chicago, Nebraska, New England, Northeastern Pennsylvania, Northwestern Minnesota, Oregon, South Dakota, Southeastern Minnesota, Southeastern Pennsylvania, Southwest California and Western North Dakota synods, 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.

**31** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Upstate New York and West Virginia-Western Maryland synods, 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

## A Day of Remembrance



On Monday, May 26, we will be closed to honor the brave men and women who have sacrificed to protect us. We sincerely thank and support all who have served in our armed forces and the loved ones they left behind.

### **This Week's Calendar**

<b>5/25</b> <b>SUN</b>	9am 10:15am	Adult Forum Worship
<b>5/26</b> <b>MON</b>		<b>Memorial Day</b> <b>Office Closed</b>
<b>5/27</b> <b>TUES</b>	<b>9am-1pm</b> 10:30 am	<b>Office Hours</b> Quilting
<b>5/28</b> <b>WED</b>	<b>9am-1pm</b> 9:30am-10:30am 12:30 pm	<b>Office Hours</b> Food Pantry Homeschool group (upper hall)
<b>5/29</b> <b>THURS</b>	<b>9am-1pm</b> 6pm	<b>Office Hours</b> Craft Group (Upper Hall)
<b>5/30</b> <b>FRI</b>	<b>9am-1pm</b>	<b>Office Hours</b>
<b>5/31</b> <b>SAT</b>		

### **Next Sunday, June 1**

9am	Adult Forum
10:15am	Communion

**Church office will be closed on Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day**

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**Websites of Interest**

[www.lebanonlutheranchurch.com](http://www.lebanonlutheranchurch.com)

[www.mittensynod.org](http://www.mittensynod.org)

[www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org)

[www.whitelakescouting.com](http://www.whitelakescouting.com)

[www.whitelakechorale.com](http://www.whitelakechorale.com)

[www.hopescarves.org](http://www.hopescarves.org)

[LivingLutheran.org](http://LivingLutheran.org).

[www.samaritas.org](http://www.samaritas.org)

Suicide Hotline 1-800-273TALK.org  
[www.co.muskegon.mi.us/cmh/suicide\\_prevention](http://www.co.muskegon.mi.us/cmh/suicide_prevention)

Every Woman's Place  
231-722-3333 or [www.everywomansplace.org](http://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.