

**June 29, 2025  
Pentecost 3**

**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 : 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21; Psalm 16,  
Galatians 5:1, 13-15; Luke 9:51-62.**

*Readings for next week: Pentecost 4 - Isaiah 66:10-14, Psalm 66:1-9; Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20.*

*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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**We welcome John Jacks representing Samaritas as our guest speaker today!**

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

### Special Prayer Concerns:

**Esther & Roy Baldrige**, 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. Currently hospitalized for health concerns.

**Margaret Fountain**, (Mary Koenen's sister) multiple myeloma has relapsed. A new inpatient treatment at UM begins June 26. (prayers appreciated)

**Brian Holmblade**, with heart issues

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

**Sarah Schmalz**, recuperating from surgery.

**Wendy Shalifoe**, recurring cancer

**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: Terry & Lauralee Kesteloot.**

*Congregational prayers for June 2025: Terry & Lauralee Kesteloot.*

*Prayers for July 2025: Brian & Kara Jaekel; Shawn Jeffery & Amber Creed; Rob & Julie Johnson; Dakota & Ginny King.*



**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: St. Lukes Lutheran Church / Grand Rapids; Rev. Kyle Duff**

*Next week we pray for: Trinity Lutheran Church/Grand Rapids; Rev. Jonathan Niketh, Rev. Daniel Schewe, Rev. Kari Fast, 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.....	1,100.03
Non-Budget.....	15.00
In & Outs.....	2,100.00
Total Deposit.....	3,215.03
Fund of the Month - June - Samaritas	165.00
Roofing project -	2,800.00
2025 Budget	208,519.00
Budgeted giving needed through May (38.2%)	79,654.26
Actual budgeted giving through May	69,144.96
Shortfall	10,509.30

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Food Pantry Numbers for June 25: 84 families & 179 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 June / July 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.*

**29** “Peter felt hurt because [Jesus had asked him], ‘Do you love me?’ ... [Peter] said to [Jesus], ‘Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my sheep’” (John 21:17). Ask God to forgive us when we stray from the work Jesus left us, the work of loving and serving our neighbors and our siblings in Christ. Pray that Christ’s selfless, sacrificial, far-reaching love will inspire us to embrace God’s work in the world.

**30** Ask the Spirit to open us to new insights and wisdom when we read Scripture — the ageless word of God that guides, inspires and informs our daily life.

**1** Remember in prayer congregations, synods and outdoor ministries that have applied for an ELCA Disability Ministry grant. These grants support projects and programs that identify and prepare people with disabilities for leadership positions and equip members of congregations to welcome them to full participation in the life of the church.

**2** Nothing is impossible for God. Our sins, fears, demons and eccentricities are no match for God’s power to forgive, heal and renew us. Give thanks to God for surrounding us with siblings in Christ who extend to us their mercy and love.

**3** Our church has missionaries in 35 countries, and its Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM) program covers six countries/territories. Pray that God will bless these missionaries as they serve alongside companion churches in education, evangelism, administration, parish ministry, leadership development, justice and health.

**4** *Independence Day* Give thanks for the freedom we enjoy in our country. Promise to be responsible with that freedom and attentive to those marginalized by poverty, prejudice, persecution, unjust laws or malevolent ideologies.

**5** “Insofar as a Christian is free, no works are necessary. Insofar as a Christian is a servant, all kinds of works are done” (Martin Luther, *The Freedom of a Christian*). Praise God for freeing us from sin through the redeeming love of Jesus Christ. Ask the Spirit to inspire our service, our acts of kindness and mercy, and our praise for God, the true source of absolute freedom.



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

<b>6/29 SUN</b>	9am 10:15am 2 pm	Adult Forum Worship Kirby(Funnell) funeral
<b>6/30 MON</b>	<b>9am-1pm</b>	<b>Office Hours</b>
<b>7/1 TUES</b>	<b>9am-1pm</b> 10:30 am	<b>Office Hours</b> Quilting
<b>7/2 WED</b>	<b>9am-1pm</b> 9:30am-10:30am	<b>Office Hours</b> Food Pantry
<b>7/3 THURS</b>	<b>9am-1pm</b>	<b>Office Hours</b>
<b>7/4 FRI</b>		<b>Independence Day</b>
<b>7/5 SAT</b>		

### **Next Sunday, June 15**

9am	Adult Forum
10:15am	Communion

### **Upcoming events:**

July 7-17 - Swim Lessons  
July 10 - 5:30pm - Smorgasbord  
August 13—5pm-7pm - Backpacks

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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](http://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.