

**July 13, 2025  
Pentecost 5**

**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 : Deuteronomy 30:9-14, Psalm 25:1-10,  
Colossians 1:1-14, Luke 10:25-27.

*Readings for next week: Genesis 18:1-10a, Psalm 15, Colossians 1:15-28, Luke 10:38-42.*

*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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## **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 - current hospitalized with pneumonia.  
**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) diag-  
nosed with multiple brain tumors.  
**Lucas Carlson**, (Terry and Mary Beekmans grandson) for new  
treatment.  
**Sheila Fretty**, re-occurring cancer, and 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

**Stella Strong**, 5 years old ( friend of Donna and Ernie Stacy); in remission after battling cancer for 3 years.

**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: Shawn Jeffery & Amber Creed**

*Congregational prayers for July 2025: 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. John Lutheran Church / Grayling; Supply Pastors.**

*Next week we pray for: St. Paul Lutheran Church / Greenville; Rev. Nan Dehnke.*

**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.....	10,933.37
Non-Budget.....	2,830.00
In & Outs.....	900.00
Total Deposit.....	14,663.37
Fund of the Month - July- Living Lutheran	30.00
Roofing project -	5,105.00
2025 Budget	208,519.00
Budgeted giving needed through June (45.7%)	95,292.18
Actual budgeted giving through June	83,053.61
Shortfall	12,239.57

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Food Pantry Numbers for July 9 : 95 families & 197 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 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.*

**13** Pray for the compassion to care for our neighbors in need, just as the good Samaritan stopped to assist a stranger robbed, beaten and left for dead.

**14** “Listen to the word that God has spoken; listen to the One who is close at hand; listen to the voice that began creation; listen even if you don’t understand” (ACS 974). May we be open and attentive to how God speaks to us, reaching into our souls every day to stir our faith, knowledge and wisdom.

**15** Praise God that in baptism we are marked as forgiven and freed from the grip of sin and death; empowered to act with love, kindness and mercy; and welcomed into a vast community of siblings in Christ.

**16** Ask God to help us advocate for and improve access to public spaces for older adults and people with disabilities.

**17** Pray for congregations and special ministries that work for wholeness, peace and justice in your community, across our country and throughout the world.

**18** Promise to love and serve our neighbors in need with the same boundless grace and concern that God has shown us, unhindered by suspicion, prejudice, exclusion or the belief that someone must work or suffer as we have to earn our respect.

**19** We are a church that believes God is calling us into the world — together! Companion synod relationships of the ELCA connect our synods and congregations with Lutheran churches throughout the world. Praise God that this program nurtures all involved for life and ministry through prayer, study, communication, exchange of visitors and sharing of resources.



Lebanon Lutheran

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present our annual



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# Back to School **BACKPACK GIVEAWAY**

**FREE**  
Backpacks  
&  
Water  
Bottles

**FREE**  
Hot Dog  
Dinners

**Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

at

**Lebanon Lutheran Church**

1101 S. Mears Ave. Whitehall, MI 49461

Additional Parking at Shoreline Elementary



**STUDENTS MUST BE PRESENT & WITH THEIR PARENT/GUARDIAN,  
FIRST COME FIRST SERVED, WHILE SUPPLIES LAST**

QUESTIONS? CALL (231) 893-5745

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

<b>7/13 SUN</b>	<b>9am 10:15am</b>	<b>Adult Forum Worship</b>
<b>7/14 MON</b>	<b>9am-1pm 9am</b>	<b>Office Hours Swim Lessons</b>
<b>7/15 TUES</b>	<b>9am-1pm 9am 10:30 am</b>	<b>Office Hours Swim Lessons Quilting</b>
<b>7/16 WED</b>	<b>9am-1pm 9am 9:30am-10:30am</b>	<b>Office Hours Swim Lessons Food Pantry</b>
<b>7/17 THURS</b>	<b>9am-1pm 9am 7pm</b>	<b>Office Hours Swim Lessons Historical Society (rain site)</b>
<b>7/18 FRI</b>		
<b>7/19 SAT</b>		

### **Next Sunday, July 20**

<b>9am 10:15am</b>	<b>Adult Forum Communion</b>
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### **Upcoming events:**

**August 13—5pm-7pm - Backpacks**

*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](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.