

**August 3, 2025
Pentecost 8**

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 : Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23,
Psalm 49:1-12, Colossians 3:1-11, Luke 12:13-21**

Readings for next week: Genesis 15:1-6, Psalm 33:12-22, Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16, Luke 12:32-40.

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
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)

Ronald Scott Funderberg, (Ron Funderburg's son) in coma with meningitis and pneumonia.

Brian Holmblade, with heart issues; hospitalized with blood infection

Deb Lothschutz, (Mallory Lothschutz' mother-in-law) with health concerns.

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

Martha Ogden, (Pastor Ogden's mother) diagnosed with cancer.

Wendy Shalifoe, recurring cancer & surgery

Bev Statz, with health concerns.

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: Dustin King

*Congregational prayers for August 2025: Donna Knoth;
Ken & Sandra Kolb; Caryn Koster; Jack & Linda Lamoreaux.*



Praying for Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop, ELCA and **Bishop Satterlee, Christina Bright and Kjersten Sullivan** completing their call with our Synod. And with **Bishop-elect Julie Schneider-Thomas** as she anticipates installation September 13, 2025.

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. Matthew Lutheran Church / Herron; Rev. Leslie Nye.

Next week we pray for: Trinity Lutheran Church / Hillsdale; Rev. Kara Shaw.

**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.....	2,767.00
Non-Budget.....	580.00
In & Outs.....	5,950.00
Total Deposit.....	9,297.00
Fund of the Month - July- Living Lutheran	155.00
Fund of the Month - Aug - Backpacks	
Roofing project -	11,229.00

2025 Budget	208,519.00
Budgeted giving needed through July (52.5%)	109,472.48
Actual budgeted giving through July	102,197.41
Shortfall	7,275.07

Food Pantry Numbers for July 30 : 101 families & 217 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 August 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.

3 Pray that when our interest is drawn to specific issues in our communities and the world, we will not lose sight of other issues that persist but have slipped away from public awareness.

4 Pray for worship leaders and musicians gathering for the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians conference in Raleigh-Durham, N.C., that their passion, creativity and skills for leading music will grow as a means of expressing faith and sharing the gospel.

5 Give thanks and praise to God for the joy, freedom and new life we have in Jesus Christ and for the promise of eternal life in the kingdom of God. Hallelujah!

6 Pray for lasting and resilient peace where there is conflict and war in the world, especially in Ukraine, Russia and the Middle East. Pray that we will not grow weary in supporting and caring for those who continue to live in uncertainty and suffering amid violence, injustice and displacement from their homes and communities.

7 Praise God that our new life in Christ empowers us to renew ourselves in the image of the Creator and to oppose and cleanse ourselves of anger, hate, slander, abusive language, racism, dishonesty, self-centeredness and greed.

8 Thank God for the ELCA's special relationship with the Moravian Church in America, a full communion partner since 1999. Pray for the church, its members and its leaders, that together we will find strength and resources for the work of sharing the gospel and serving our neighbor.

9 Pray for local, state and national leaders, that they will respect and respond to our neighbors on the fringes of society, including people who suffer poverty and hunger, who need shelter, who live with illnesses and conditions requiring constant care, and whose rights and protections have diminished. Pray for compassion, strength and persistent courage to advocate and care for our neighbors in need.



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present our annual



Montague
Foods

Back to School **BACKPACK GIVEAWAY**

FREE

Backpacks
&
Water
Bottles

FREE

Hot Dog
Dinners

Wednesday, August 13th
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

8/3	9am	Adult Forum
SUN	10:15am	Worship

8/4	9am-1pm	Office Hours
MON		

8/5	9am-1pm	Office Hours
TUES	10:30 am	Quilting

8/6	9am-1pm	Office Hours
WED	9:30am-10:30am	Food Pantry

8/7	9am-1pm	Office Hours
THURS		

8/8
FRI

8/9
SAT

Next Sunday, August 10

9am	Adult Forum
10:15am	Communion

Upcoming events:

August 13—5pm-7pm - Backpacks
Set up begins at 3pm

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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.