

**August 24, 2025  
Pentecost 11**

**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 : Isaiah 58:9b-14, Psalm 103:1-8, Hebrews 12:18-29, Luke 13:10-17.**

*Readings for next week: Proverbs 25:6-7; Psalm 112; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14*

*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 on the 14th anniversary (8/27) of his death.**

## **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

**Jane Blyth**, 28801 Jefferson Ave., Apt. 332; Saint Clair Shores, MI 48081

**Chris Claus**, American House - 17383 174th Avenue, Spring Lake, MI 49456

**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) diagnosed 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; hospitalized with blood infection

**Mary Lewallen**, recovering from spinal surgery.

**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) health concerns

**Wendy Shalifoe**, recurring cancer & surgery recovery.

**Bev Statz**, with health concerns.

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

**Our hearts grieve Ron Funderburg and family**, on the recent death of his son **Ron Scott Funderburg**.

**Our hearts also grieve** with **Shirley Glass** and family on the death of her husband **Karl** on August 6. Arrangements are unknown as of this time.

**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: Caryn Koster**

*Congregational prayers for August 2025: 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

**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 Holland**

*Next week we pray for: Bread of Life Lutheran Church / Hudsonville;  
Rev. David Besse 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.....	1,655.00
Non-Budget.....	1,048.15
In & Outs.....	10.00
Total Deposit.....	2,713.15
Fund of the Month - August - Backpacks	295.00
Roofing project -	1,139.00
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 August 20 : 107 families & 236 individuals.

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

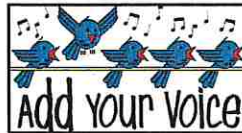
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### **DONATE RIGHT FROM YOUR SMARTPHONE**

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!*



The vocal choir will be starting up on Sunday, September 14, after the 10:15 am worship service. If you like to sing ( yes, in the shower or car counts) please consider giving us a try. There are no try outs, no fees, and no requirements. After all, the psalmist says: "Make a joyful noise to the Lord".

Diane Eastman  
Choir Director

## 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.*

24 There is no convenient or more suitable time to respond to the suffering of our neighbors. Pray that we will be mindful of those around us — near and far — and promptly respond with respect, kindness, generosity, sustainable solutions and concern for their short- and long-term needs.

25 Pray for teachers, student teachers, administrators and other school staff, that their strength, knowledge, creativity and commitment to students will be nourished throughout the school year. Ask the Spirit to help us express our thanks and support them in tangible ways.

26 “Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free” (ACS 1087). Lift up praise and thanks to God!

27 Give thanks for people who play a significant role in your life, including those who inspire your faith, teach you life skills, influence your values, treat you with love and respect, and show up when you need someone to lean on

28 Remember in prayer children, youth and adults whose lives have been touched and inspired by outdoor ministry experiences this summer. Pray that they will bring back to their home congregations their rekindled faith, enthusiasm, confidence and commitment to love their neighbors.

29 Rejoice in the daily care, support and sustenance we receive from God and our siblings in Christ. Pray that we, in turn, will freely share the same with our neighbors.

30 Each of us has a unique faith story to tell. Ask the Spirit to help us find our own way of describing our faith journey — how God works through us and how Jesus Christ defines our lives.

31 Ask the Spirit for the faith needed to be both confident and 31 Ask the Spirit for the faith needed to be both confident and humble. Promise to focus on neighbors in need and to resist personal desires for reward, status or advantage.

## QPR SUICIDE PREVENTION SKILLS TRAINING

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\*\*Families welcome - Kids activities and snacks will be provided

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 5:30-7PM



WHITE LAKE  
COMMUNITY  
LIBRARY

3500 White Lake Dr.  
Whitefish, MI 49881  
231-854-9531



After taking the summer off, I would like to restart the craft group. If there is enough interest, more than one group could be scheduled, one in the evening for those who work during the day, and one during the day for those that fits better. Keep an on this space as I work this out for day and time. Thank You!

Diane Eastman

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

<b>8/24 SUN</b>	9am 10:15am	Adult Forum Worship
<b>8/25 MON</b>	9am-1pm	Office Hours
<b>8/26 TUES</b>	9am-1pm 10:30 am	Office Hours Quilting
<b>8/27 WED</b>	9am-1pm 9:30am-10:30am	Office Hours Food Pantry
<b>8/28 THURS</b>	9am-1pm	Office Hours
<b>8/29 FRI</b>		
<b>8/30 SAT</b>	2-5pm	Stacy Birthday Celebration

### **Next Sunday, August 31**

9am	Adult Forum
10:15am	Communion

### **Upcoming events:**

September 7 - Congregation Picnic @ Water's Edge



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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.hopscarves.org](http://www.hopscarves.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.