

**October 19, 2025
Pentecost 19**

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 : Genesis 32:22-31, Psalm 121, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5, Luke 18:1-8.

Readings for next week: Jeremiah 31:31-34, Psalm 46, Romans 3:19-28, John 8:31-36. 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

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, 3121 Lake Michigan Dr., NW; Grand Rapids, MI 49504. **(new address as of 10/2025)**

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:

Brianne Beekman, (Terry & Mary Beekman's granddaughter) diagnosed with multiple brain tumors.

Lucas Carlson, (Terry and Mary Beekmans grandson) for new treatment.

Cheri Crouch, recuperating from hand surgery.

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 and recuperating from cranial bleed.

Mary Lewallen, recovering from spinal surgery.

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.

Darlene Willbrandt, in treatment for re-occurring pancreatic cancer.

Our hearts grieve with **Carol Rood, Linda Blake, and Paul Bartlett**, friends & family of **Helen Bartlett**. Helen was Lebanon's librarian and long time member who passed away on Thursday, September 25, 2025. Funeral arrangements are tentatively scheduled for November 1, 2025.

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: Eric & Mary Odmark

Congregational prayers for October 2025: Allie Ogden.

Congregational Prayers for November: Doug & Monica Ogden; Stephen & Ariel Ogden; Julie Ostrander; Don & Kim Nelson; Church & Ann Nessa.



For our newly installed Synod Bishop Julie Schneider-Thomas and her new staff Alex Aivars, Scott Torkko, and Kate Van Valkenburg.

For our newly elected Presiding Bishop Yehiel Curry.

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: Bethany Lutheran Church / Kaleva; Rev. Zac Nelson.

Next week we pray for: Mamrelund Lutheran/Kent City; Rev. Rob Johnson.

**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.....	3,064.00
Non-Budget.....	271.00
In & Outs.....	0.00
Total Deposit.....	3,335.00
Fund of the Month - October- Backpacks	455.00
Roofing project -	11,750.00
2025 Budget	208,519.00
Budgeted giving needed through September (69.6%)	145,129.22
Actual budgeted giving through September	145,245.58

Food Pantry Numbers for Oct 15 : 115 families & 231 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 October 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.

19 Ask God to grant justice to those who suffer discrimination and inequity, and ask the Spirit to help us be bearers of God's justice in the world.

20 Remember in prayer our ministries in seven countries in Asia and the Pacific region. Pray for ELCA Global Mission personnel and Young Adults in Global Mission who work alongside companion churches to spread the gospel, equip leaders, teach, respond to community needs and strive for justice.

21 "The time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths" (2 Timothy 4:3-4). Pray that the Spirit will give us insight and guidance when we struggle to distinguish God's truth from the falsehoods that lead us astray.

22 Ask God to strengthen and sustain those who work for peace between nations, including diplomats, negotiators, religious leaders and heads of state. Pray that they will find new ways to work through impasses, implement just and lasting peace agreements, and address the needs of those impacted by war and civil conflict.

23 Pray for congregations going through challenging times, that they will find resources and assistance to renew their sense of mission and their resolve to be God's loving presence in their communities.

24 Pray for Presiding Bishop Yehiel Curry, that his faith, his ministry experiences and the counsel of his siblings in Christ will inspire wisdom and equip him for guiding our church and its leaders to be persistent and creative in proclaiming God's restorative love.

25 Ask God to help us create safe and uplifting communities of faith where all people can gather to hear the word of God, share the good news of Jesus, celebrate God's amazing love and promises, care for one another and encourage one another to follow Christ in our daily lives.

Annual Hay Ride

When: Sunday, October 26, 2025

Time: 4:00 pm

Where: Scholl Farms

5955 Eilers Road

Montague, MI 49437

*Please bring a dish to pass, chairs,
and dress for the weather!*

*You are kindly asked to NOT bring
any plastic*



The White Lake Giving Tree applications have begun !
Please watch for our tree filled with gift tags in the coming weeks.

If you are able, please take a tag (or ten) and return the unwrapped gifts with tags, by the deadline.

We are once again excited to participate in this program & make the holidays special for our community neighbors.

This Week's Calendar

10/19 SUN	9am 9:15-10:00 am 10:15am	Adult Forum Kids Klub Worship
10/20 MON	9am-1pm 10:30 am	Office Hours Quilting
10/21 TUES	9am-1pm 6:00 pm	Office Hours Church Council
10/22 WED	9:30am-10:30am	Food Pantry
10/23 THURS	9am-1pm	Office Hours
10/24 FRI		
10/25 SAT		

Next Sunday, October 26

9am	Adult Forum
10:15am	Communion
4:00 pm	Potluck & Hayride @ Scholl Farm

Upcoming events:

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

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.