

**July 5, 2026
Pentecost 6**

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: Zechariah 9:9-12, Psalm 145:8-14,
Romans 7:15-25a, Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30.**

*Readings for next week: Isaiah 44:10-13, Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13,
Romans 8:1-11, Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23.*

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.

Welcome to our 2026 Slovak seminarian, Viktoria Barazova!

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 - 18100 174th Avenue, Spring Lake, MI 49456

Shirley Glass, with health concerns, StoryPoint West, 3121 Lake Michigan Drive, NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Marlene Holmstrom, The Cottages at Martin Lake 3088 S Van Wagoner Ave Fremont, MI 49412 (213) 307-4567

Val Johnson, at White Lake Assisted Living 6827 Whitehall Road - Apartment 16 - Whitehall, MI 49461

Ken Kolb, with health issues - **American House Spring Lake - Pebblebrook; 18100 174th Avenue, #10; Spring Lake, MI 49456**

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

Lois Szczerbinski, Robbinswood Assisted Living, 2650 Ruddiman North Muskegon, MI 49445

Special Prayer Concerns:

Cindy Albert, suffering from dizziness

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

Don B. (Ernie Stacy's friend from the Lions Club), newly diagnosed with leukemia.

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

Diane Eastman, recuperating from surgery

Sheila Fretty, re-occurring cancer, and health concerns.

Brian Holmblade, with heart issues

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

Gil Norwick, hospitalized at Mary Free Bed, after stroke.

Martha Ogden, (Pastor Ogden's mother) health concerns

John Parks, with health concerns

Bev Statz, with health concerns.

Bev Uetracht, waiting on transplant surgery

Katie VandeBunte (Ernie and Donna Stacy's daughter) being treated for Stage II breast cancer

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

Our hearts grieve with the family and friends of **Donna Frietsch** who passed away on June 18, 2026. Arrangements are incomplete at 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: Darlene Willbrandt

Congregational prayers for July 2026 :Jeanne Berry; Savanhni Chittisane; Carol & Terry Deneke.



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

For our 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: Saron Lutheran Church/St. Joseph; Rev. James Smith.

Next week we pray for: Immanuel Lutheran Church / Sutton's Bay; Rev. Jonathan Reid.

**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.....	3,859.92
Non-Budget.....	470.00
In & Outs.....	0.00
Total Deposit.....	4,329.92
Fund of the Month - June - Swim Lessons	325.00
Registrations	254.26
Total	579.26
2026 Budget	228,331.00
Budgeted giving needed through June (39.1%)	89,277.42
Actual budgeted giving through June	93,356.33

Food Pantry July 1: 110 families and 258 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 July 2026

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.

5 "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest," Jesus said. "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls" (Matthew 11:28-29). Pray for the gentle, humble and caring spirit of Jesus to be our example and inspiration for how we attend to the needs of our neighbors and siblings in Christ.

6 Remember in prayer ELCA deacons, pastors, bishops and candidates approved for call who are attending the Rostered Ministers Gathering in Indianapolis, Ind. Pray for the Holy Spirit to renew and inspire them for their ministries through fellowship, continuing education, worship, Bible study and mutual care and encouragement.

7 "By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your name to share bread for which the millions hunger, words that tell your love and care" (ACS 966). Praise God for giving us the sacrament of Holy Communion, which gathers us around the sacred meal where we are reminded of and experience God's gifts of grace, love, forgiveness, mercy and renewal through Christ's presence in the bread and wine

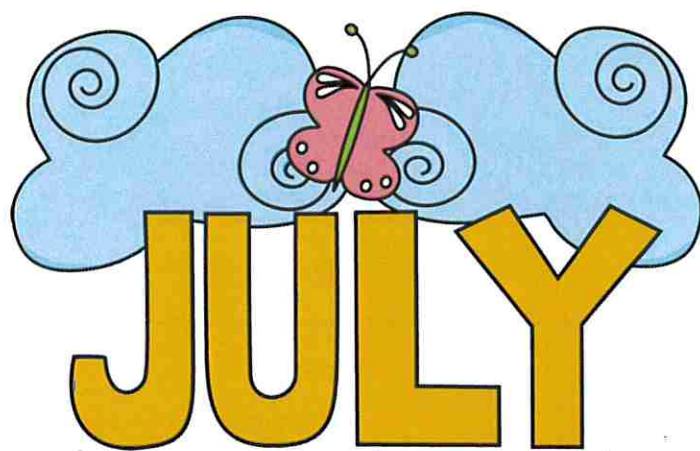
8 Give thanks for Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) and its partners as they provide aid and relief to those affected by the ongoing crisis in the Middle East. LDR assistance includes food, shelter, trauma-informed care and support for long-term recovery efforts.

9 Pray for summer camp staff at our ELCA outdoor ministries across the country, that the Spirit will renew and sustain their faith, energy and enthusiasm at the midpoint of their summer season. Give thanks for how they impact the lives and faith of campers of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.

10 Thank God for the ELCA's special relationship with the Reformed Church in America, a full communion partner since 1997. 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, especially in these challenging times for the church and society.

11 Pray that our lives will express gratitude and praise for God's ever-present, boundless love, patience and forgiveness. Ask the Spirit to help us bear public witness to God's grace and what God is doing in our lives and the world.

12 Pray for the Gathering Expeditions, regional retreats that enable youth and the adults who walk alongside them to step away from everyday life together and dive into questions of faith, purpose, identity and calling in preparation for the 2027 ELCA Youth Gathering.



This Week's Calendar

7/5 SUN	9am 10:15am	Adult Forum Worship
7/6 MON	9am-1pm 10:30 am	Office Hours Quilting Swim Lessons Begin
7/7 TUES	9am-1pm	Office Hours Swim Lessons
7/8 WED	9am-1pm 9:30am-10:30am	Office Hours Food Pantry Swim Lessons
7/9 THURS	9am-1pm 10am	Office Hours Exercise Group / Upper Hall Swim Lessons
7/10 FRI		Office Closed
7/11 SAT		

Next Sunday, July 12

9am 10:15	Adult Forum Worship
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Upcoming events:

7/13		Swim Lessons - Week 2
7/15	11am	Smorgasbord Prep
7/16	5:30pm	Smorgasbord Dinner begins

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Websites of Interest

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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.