

**August 9, 2026
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: 1 Kings 19:9-18, Psalm 85:8-13,
Romans 10:5-15, Matthew 14:22-33.**

*Readings for next week: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8, Psalm 67, Romans
11:1-2a, 29-32, Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28.*

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.

Sally Kahlo has provided the floral arrangements on the altar this morning.

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, with health concerns

Tom & Sheila Fretty, health concerns.

Brian Holmblade, with heart issues

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

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

John Parks, with health concerns

Bev Statz, with health concerns.

Bev Uetricht, recuperating after 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.

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: Steve and Cindy Albert

*Congregational prayers for August 2026: Rachel & Corey Bartlett,
Jonathon and Abigail; Sally Kahlo.*

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: St. Peter Lutheran Church / Unionville; Rev. Jeffery Bonn.

Next week we pray for: Grace Lutheran Church / Vassar

**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.....	4,769.00
Non-Budget.....	770.00
In & Outs.....	0.00
Total Deposit.....	5,539.00

Fund of the Month - August - Living Lutheran 45.00

2026 Budget	228,331.00
Budgeted giving needed through July (45.9%)	104,803.93
Actual budgeted giving through July	111,590.88

Food Pantry August 5 : 87 families and 187 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 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.

9 Give thanks and praise to God for *always* being with us on our journey of following Christ, proclaiming the gospel and loving our neighbors, especially when we feel ill-equipped, fearful and even terrified.

10 Give thanks for deacons — rostered ministers of Word and Service — who use their diverse gifts in response to Christ's call to serve our neighbors and embody the gospel in acts of justice, mercy and accompaniment in the church and society.

11 "As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'" (Romans 10:15). We are invited to share with the world the good news of Jesus Christ, a message of love, forgiveness, reconciliation and renewal. Pray for the Spirit to strengthen our faith in God's ability to use our unique gifts and personalities to touch the hearts of others with the gospel.

12 *International Youth Day (U.N.)* Pray for young people and the challenges they face. Give thanks for their gifts, insights and partnership in doing God's work in the world together. Recognize and lift up the youth in our congregations as valued siblings in Christ.

13 Give thanks and pray for nurses, faith community nurses (parish nurses) and those preparing for vocations in nursing. Pray for the Spirit to equip and sustain them for ministries of healing, wellness and care that attend to the needs of people of all ages in body, mind and spirit and in many different settings.

14 "Let me hear what God the Lord will speak" (Psalm 85:8). Pray for our hearts and minds to be open to the word of God that comes to us through Scripture, siblings in Christ, creation and inspiration stirred by the Spirit, so that our faith may be strengthened and we may be guided, comforted, encouraged and cautioned in our daily lives.

15 Give thanks and pray for teachers, student teachers, custodians, librarians, administrators, counselors, bus drivers and others who are entrusted to educate, inspire, equip and keep safe students of all ages, abilities and backgrounds. Give thanks for the Evangelical Lutheran Education Association and its ministry of nurturing a community that helps leaders be stronger, wiser and better equipped for the mission of providing faith-based education.

16 Ask the Spirit to help shape our words and actions so that they build up others, reflect sincere love and concern, and convey the good news of Jesus Christ. Ask for God's forgiveness and mercy when we hurt, disrespect and damage the reputation of our neighbors — intentionally or unintentionally.

PICNIC



When: Sunday, August 30th - 1:00 PM

Where: Hollister's The Water's Edge Resort,
6195 Murray Road, Whitehall, MI 49461

Who: Everyone. Frank says consider making the picnic an opportunity to invite your friends to experience Lebanon's hospitality.

What to Bring: A dish to pass and your own table service. There are picnic tables available, but you might enjoy your own lawn chair. There are lawn games, small boats, swimming, and friendly conversation.

Lebanon Lutheran & **thrivent** & **Montague Foods** & **bright AGENCY**
present our annual

Back to School
BACKPACK GIVEAWAY
FREE Backpacks & Water Bottles

FREE Hot Dog Dinners

Wednesday, August 12th
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

8/9 SUN	9am 10:15am	Adult Forum Worship
8/10 MON	9am-1pm 10:30 am	Office Hours Quilting
8/11 TUES	9am-1pm 6pm 7pm	Office Hours Finance Committee Executive Board
8/12 WED	9am-1pm 9:30am-10:30am 4pm 5pm-7pm	Office Hours Food Pantry Backpack Set-up Backpack Event
8/13 THURS	9am-1pm 10am	Office Hours Exercise Group / Upper Hall
8/14 FRI		Office Closed
8/15 SAT		

Next Sunday, August 16

9am 10:15	Adult Forum Worship
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Upcoming Events:

7:00 pm - 8/20	White Lake Historical Society
1:00 pm - 8/30	Congregation Picnic

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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.