



Mt. Lebanon  
Christian Church

## MLCC Newsletter – June 2025



### Worship with Us

In-Person or Facebook Live

Worship: Sunday at 11:00 AM

**Mt. Lebanon Christian Church**  
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Pittsburgh, PA 15220

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**Our Mission:**  
**Serving Christ!**  
**Living and Sharing Faith, Hope and Love**



## Minister's Message

The butterfly has long been a symbol of the resurrection of Jesus, as well as our own resurrection as we emerge from the power of fear and death. The process of metamorphosis is a guide to examine our own transformations from cocoons and tombs to the unfurled beauty of all God calls us to be.

**June 8 is Pentecost, and it marks our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration as a congregation.** What a day to celebrate! We celebrate the beginnings of the church through the giving of the Holy Spirit and our ministry in the past, and as we look forward to the future.

The Unity Brass will join us for worship and provide some wonderful, uplifting music for the day. We will have a special surprise way to celebrate emerging from the past and celebrating the future. The color for Pentecost is red. **Wear red** to celebrate this powerful day.

We will also enjoy lunch together following worship. **Please let us know if you will be attending, so we have a good count for food.** There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex or call the church office. Please bring a dessert to share.

We can look back and rest on our history, but the Lord calls us to continue to be the Lord's hands and feet in the world. As we look to the future, what does God have in store for us? How is the Holy Spirit at work at Mt. Lebanon Christian Church today?

When we celebrate anniversaries, we celebrate the past, but we also look to the time ahead. Just as the butterfly goes through a metamorphosis, we, too, have been going through a metamorphosis. We have been praying and discerning about our next steps as a congregation. On June 29 there will be a congregational meeting to elect officers and to consider changes to our constitution/by-laws. This is an important meeting for us all.

I look forward to seeing you in worship and as we Connect, Grow and Serve together for the sake of Christ!

Blessings!

Cindy

# Support MLCC

Mail Checks to: Mt. Lebanon Christian Church - 367 Cedar Blvd. - Pittsburgh, PA 15228

Or Give online at [mtlebocc.org](https://mtlebocc.org)

Or **Online Giving** available through our Givelify by clicking on <https://giv.li/rwhcas> or clicking on the QR code below



Your gift of time, talent or treasure enables MLCC to serve Christ by living and sharing faith, hope and love.

It's simple to donate once or set up reoccurring donations using the Give link. Options for giving include helping with Building Maintenance projects and Community Outreach programs.

There are plenty of ways to get involved. Volunteer opportunities include:

AV Tech - Contemporary Worship Musicians - Social Media - Child Care Nursery - Small Group Leader - Landscaping - Greeter - Community Service - Event Planning  
For more information about volunteering contact John McCarty.

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## Give Hope, One Meal at a Time: Support City Mission This Month

Hunger has a way of pushing everything else aside. When someone is unsure of where their next meal is coming from, it's hard to think about safety, healing, or hope. That's why this month, MLCC is rallying support for City Mission, a Christ-centered outreach that brings nourishment, shelter, and transformation to our homeless neighbors in need.

For just \$2.49, City Mission provides more than a warm meal — it's the first step toward a new life. Each gift helps provide:

- A nourishing meal to ease the pain of hunger
- Safe shelter and compassionate care for those with nowhere else to turn
- Counseling and mental health support to begin healing from trauma
- Christ-centered recovery programs that offer true hope and lasting change

This month, we invite you to say yes. Whether you give one meal, ten, or more, your support will go directly to helping someone who's hungry, hurting, and desperate for a second chance.

You can make your donation online through [Givelify](#) or drop off monetary donations marked outreach in the offering plate or outreach table by June 29

Let's be the hands and feet of Christ — feeding the hungry, welcoming the stranger, and offering hope for a brighter tomorrow. Together, we can help change lives... forever.

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## Quarterly Mission and Outreach Impact

### Living Our Mission: A Season of Impact and Generosity

*"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." – Hebrews 13:16*

MLCC family,

As we reflect on this past quarter, we are filled with gratitude for the many ways you've lived out our mission to **Connect, Grow, and Serve**. Through your faithful giving, donations, and compassionate hearts, we've been able to extend Christ's love far beyond our church walls.

Here's a look at how your generosity has made a real difference:

### **\$320 to South Hills Interfaith Movement (SHIM)**

Supporting families in our local community with food, clothing, and resources that offer stability and hope.

### **\$330 to Washington City Mission**

Your generosity not only helped provide financial support for meals, shelter, and recovery programs — you also filled boxes with **winter coats and shoes** to help protect and warm our neighbors experiencing homelessness. These practical gifts of love truly met people where they are, reminding them they are not forgotten.

### **\$320 to The Education Partnership - The March Madness Charity of Choice**

Helping ensure that children in underserved schools have the supplies they need to learn, grow, and succeed.

### **\$380 for California Wildfire Relief**

Offering compassion and aid to families recovering from devastating wildfires — bringing light and relief in dark times.

Every gift — whether financial, physical, or prayerful — reflects the heart of our church and the heart of Christ. Your commitment to showing up and sharing God's love is transforming lives, near and far.

Let's carry this spirit of service into the next season with joy and faith, trusting that God will continue to use us in powerful ways

# Dining Disciples



Join us for Dining Disciples!

Dining Disciples are groups that meet once a month for lunch or for dinner to get to know others, talk about faith and find ways to live out our faith in our everyday lives. Dining disciples is a great way to connect with others, grow in your faith and find ways to serve the Lord in God's Kingdom here on earth. Resuming in the fall.

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## Elder's Corner



### Can you get any closer?

Before there was travel size, toothpaste, mouthwash and other necessities, there was Jesus. He was able to fit in your mouth and in your heart. Jesus proves His ability to go with us everywhere at all times in the form of God, through the power of the Holy Spirit. The Apostle John says that Jesus was the Word who was in the beginning with God and was God, becoming flesh and dwelling among us. In this Miraculous way Jesus, through the Holy Spirit, makes God's word portable, or travel sized.

Why don't we feel this closeness all the time? What is it about God's word that makes Jesus feel so distant at times, so far from where we are? The portability of the gospel reminds us of the intention of God's heart. Jesus demonstrates that God never intended to be far away, and easy to carry with you. He is always accessible if needed. When we take time to remove the barriers keeping from carrying Jesus with us, we are free to worship and love God through regular engagement with Scripture. Perhaps then we'll recognize that what we need most is not hard to carry. The message is very close at hand, it is on your lips and in your heart. And that message is the very message about faith that we preach and carry each day of our lives.

## Wellness Opportunities at MLCC



Starting April 22: Join Bev Gray for an all-levels yoga class in the Chapel at Mt. Lebanon Christian Church, Tuesday evenings, 7:00-8:15 and Saturday mornings, 9:30-10:45. Start where you are! Bring your own mat. For more info, visit <https://yogawithbev.netlify.app/>



Through May 19 and beginning again in September: Join Janet Tant for Slow Evening Gentle Flow class Monday evenings, 7:00-8:15. For more info, visit <https://www.janettantyoga.com/>

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### June Birthdays

3<sup>rd</sup> Tabitha Corwin  
4<sup>th</sup> Carol Dubiel  
10<sup>th</sup> Mike Philippon  
12<sup>th</sup> Laurie Sargent  
16<sup>th</sup> Bonnie Philippon

### June Anniversaries

6<sup>th</sup> Dan & Lee Ann Wahl

### Welcome New Members

Betty Ann Fletcher  
Vanadium Woods  
50 Vanadium Road, Apt 305  
Bridgeville, PA 15017

Drake Moore  
908 Penn Avenue, Apt 701  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Abby & Mike Teti  
366 Questend Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15228

### Year-to Date Financial Report (new feature)

Income - \$43,062.85 Expenses - \$54,793.04

		June 2025					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 11:00 am Worship Service Blooms of Blessing after Worship	2	3 7:00 pm Women's Prayer Group	4	5	6	7	
8 11:00 am Worship Service Pentecost 75th Anniversary Luncheon	9 7:00 pm Elders Meeting on Zoom	10 7:00 pm Women's Prayer Group	11	12	13	14	
15 11:00 am Worship Service Father's Day	16	17 7:00 pm Women's Prayer Group	18	19	20	21	
22 11:00 am Worship Service	23	24 7:00 pm Women's Prayer Group	25	26	27	28	
29 11:00 am Worship Service Congregational Meeting after Worship	30						
							

**Upcoming Events - Save the Date**

- Sunday, June 1 - Blooms of Blessing will gather following worship to assemble packages for Kane
- Sunday, June 8 - Pentecost
- Sunday, June 8 - 75th Anniversary and Luncheon after worship
- Monday, June 9 - Elder's Meeting on Zoom at 7:00 pm
- Sunday, June 29 - Congregational Meeting after worship to vote on Constitution changes and new officers

**June Worship Leaders & Elders**

- 1 - Chuck Sargent and Jane McCarty
- 8 - Verna McGinley and Jeff Hawn
- 15 - Dan Wahl and Chuck Sargent
- 22 - Jeff Hawn and Kathy Spray
- 29 - John Crist and John Crist

## Prayer List

Abby and Mike Teti  
Maggie Dwyer - Breast Cancer - Cathy Snyder's daughter  
Anne Totin  
Karen Newman  
Jocelyn Wagner  
Duane Ready  
Lois Lindemann  
Joy Pajak  
Family of Joanne Houston - comfort and peace  
Family of Bill Samples - comfort and peace  
Family of Barb Scott - comfort and peace  
Family of Ron Brown – comfort and peace  
Ron Abels - friend of Wahl's  
Linda Wade - Rev. Cindy's sister  
David Blandino - Cancer - friend of Rev. Cindy  
Those impacted by the California Wildfires  
Neal - friend of Anne Totin  
Peace and civility in our nation  
Horst & Doris Riddler  
Ray Dubiel  
Maggie Goodwin - healing  
Sam Levine – 17-year-old - inoperable brain tumor  
Giles McCarty - healing  
Bill Green  
Ann Peden – friend of Rev. Cindy  
All those with Covid, RSV and the Flu  
War in Ukraine  
War in Israel  
Individuals Impacted by Hurricanes Helene & Milton  
Travelers