

Middle East Resources

In response to the Hamas attacks in southern Israel on October 7 and Israel's declaration of war against Hamas, including the ongoing siege of Gaza, the ELCA and Upstate New York Synod offers the following resources from some of our Lutheran and global partners. Included are ELCA resources for a deeper understanding of the context, the humanitarian crises of the current war, and the ELCA's work for a just peace in Palestine and Israel.

Pray

[Worship Resources for the Crisis in the Holy Land – October 2023](#)

[Pray for Peace](#) – Every Wednesday at 12:30 pm – 1:00 pm (EST)

Learn

[ELCA Resources](#) – This page includes statements and updates from Global and Ecumenical partners.

[Bishop Elizabeth Eaton's Letter to Bishop Sani Azar of the ELCJHL](#)

[Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land](#)

[Churches for Middle East Peace](#)

[B'Tselem](#) – The Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories strives for a future in which human rights, liberty and equality are guaranteed to all people, Palestinian and Jewish alike, living between the Jordan River and the Mediterranean Sea.

[Decolonizing Palestine: The Land, The People, The Bible](#) by The Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb

Give

[Lutheran Disaster Response: Middle East Crisis](#)

Advocate

[ELCA – Peace Not Walls – October 2023](#)

Call for a cease-fire, the safe release of hostages, an end to the Gaza blockade, safe spaces for Gazan noncombatants, no further militarization of the conflict in Israel/Palestine.

[Churches for Middle East Peace Advocacy](#)

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