

<>< *Lacey United Methodist Church Prayer Page* ><>

<>< YOUR WILL, LORD GOD, BE DONE ~ NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS, NOTHING ELSE <><

**For God's Healing & Discernment** ~ Sherry T.; Jennifer Dolan; Lorraine & Robert Soehl; Kayla Davis; Sheryl Lutgen; Barbara T.; Linda Jenkins; Barbara & Bob Pentland; Steven & Nadine Woodward; Victoria Krauss; Carole Exel; Steven Exel; Tiny; Marsha Brandt; Daryl Mafia; Jason Gilman; Paul Rue; Ed Weisbrot; Carole Jansen; Bob Wynn & Denise Vaccaro; Ellen Larney; Christine Urban; Dale Stucky; Suzy; Steve Woodward; Bob & Pam Marsh; Sadie; Kyle Wilhelm; Nancy & Rev. George Reid; Sally Potter; Danny Huyler; Donna Craft; Diane F.; Michael Claus; Christine Morgan; Joseph Ensinger; Michelle Reyes; Jeff Merceron; Mrs. Nunez; Lois Pozsar; Patrick Jemas; Helen Wooley; Gary; Levi Kern; Rich Rosford; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Sara Carpini; Andrea Almeida; Bill Wehner; Rich C.; Chris Mignone; Randy M.; Lois; Sue & Rich Newman; Gail Matuska; Monika & Fred Sisbarro; Marilyn Slate; Shirley; Aubrey; Rosalie Mulvaney; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Frank & Mary Timmerman; Cynthia Pedemonti; Andrea Schenker; Helen DeLa Cruz; Peg Bea; Shannon Callaghan; Will Cotton; Patricia Potter; Susan Schlotter; Joan McGavin; Phyllis Smith; Bill & Becky Buglione; Lorraine, Katrina & Peter Borchester; Pat Grant; our whole Church Family.

**For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss** ~ Family of Gregory Russell; Family of Dawn Slate; Family of Russel Gudiatis Jr.; Family of Serina Norall; Family of Mel Rosenbloom; Family of Jay Young.

**Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer** ~ For the Birth of Kehlani Adina-Rayne Maze – mother Gianna Maze, Grandparents Leigha Maze and Morris Maze! For the Birth of Ava Rossman – parents Peter & Yesi Rossman, Grandparents Dee & Rich Rossman! Thanks be to God for answered prayer!

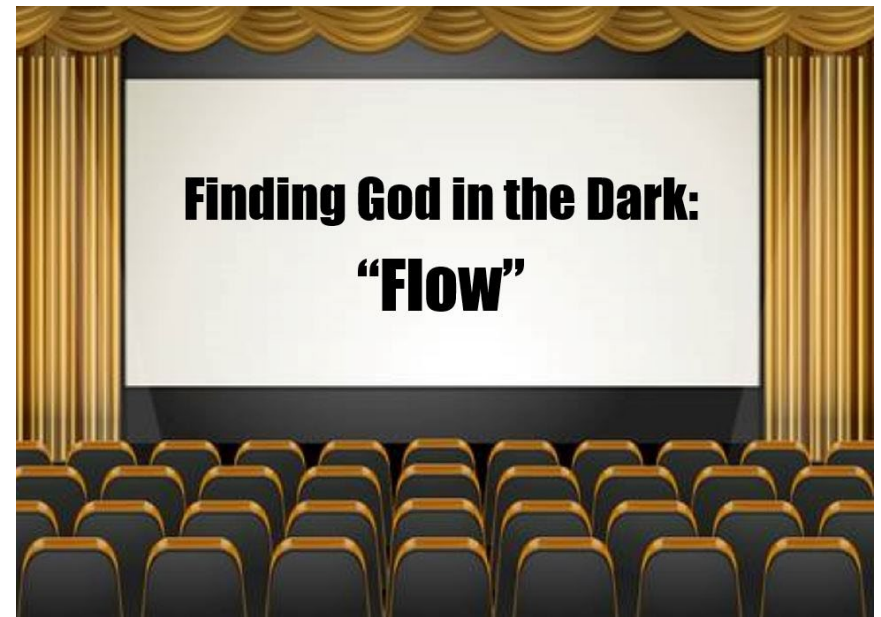
**For Those Serving in the Military** ~ Peter Borchester; Jordyn Breur; Luke Derflinger; Ellen Hammer; Gavin Hammer D'Adamo; Raymond Kitson; T. Ryan McDonald; Ryan Palmieri; Daniel Schenker; Jason Schenker; for all Soldiers; Sailors; Marines; Airmen; and Guards-Men/Women of our Armed Forces.

**For the Ministries of our Church** ~ Bible Studies; Christian Education; Community Outreach; DOC Connection Ministries; Extension Ministries; Finance Team; Healing Ministries; Hope Chest Food Pantry; Hospitality & Welcoming Team; Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe; Music Programs; How It Works and Why; AA Group; Senior Ministries; SHALOM for the Homeless; Stewardship Team; Summer Lunch for Lacey's Kids; The Tuesday & Thursday Hot Lunch Mission; Youth Ministries.

**For Greater NJ Annual Conference** ~ Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi; DS Rev. Ronell Howard; Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

**World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas** ~ People of France, Germany, Monaco; New Hampshire, New Jersey; Lacey Township Committee, Leaders & First Responders; Senators; Congressmen and leaders of our United States of America; Uniting of all American political parties; President Donald Trump & Vice President JD Vance; Gov. Murphy; Praying an outpouring of God's spiritual renewal and healing of all the people of America.

 *Lacey United Methodist Church*  
*February 23, 2025*



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Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Helen DeLa Cruz  
Liturgist: Sally Potter Music Director: Matthew Holmberg  
Welcoming Team: Lori Osborn & Deb Waddell  
Head Ushers: Sherry Exel & Rick Waddell  
Thank You to All Who Share Their Prayers, Presence,  
Gifts, Service, Witness & Time!  
*All Music Used with Permission – CCLI#2274807*

*Welcome in the Name of Jesus Christ to All Visitors, Members, Family and Friends!*

*\* Please feel free to rise in body or spirit*

Prelude Sanctuary TFWs 2164

Welcome

\*Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty (v. 1,4) UMH 64*

\*Call to Worship

The Spirit of God is upon us. **We are called to be God's people.**

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**We are called to be the body of Christ.**

Come let us worship God, who binds us together in love and service.

Young Disciples' Time

Prayer of Illumination

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

Gospel Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Message: Finding God in the Dark: "Flow"

\*Hymn *Bind Us Together TFWs 2226*

\*Affirmation of Faith UMH 882

Pastoral Prayer and Announcements

Offering

Anthem: *You Are My All in All W&S 3040*

\*Doxology UMH 95

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Compassionate God, who sees beyond our boundaries and loves without limit, we bring these offerings with grateful hearts. Use them to proclaim your good news, heal the broken, and extend your love to all, especially those we struggle to accept. Transform our gifts into a beacon of hope and inclusion that reflects the boundless love of Christ in every corner of our community. In his holy name, we pray. Amen.**

Communion Hymn *One Bread, One Body UMH 620*

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession

We are baptized as individuals, yet called to live and serve together. We know, and need to confess, how we have sought to live for ourselves, not reaching out to others, and seeing them as parts of Christ's Body. Join me as we pray, saying,

**Rock of our salvation, we know the faults try to hide from you and others. We have not cared for all people in the same way. We do think some are more gifted, or better, or prettier. We are more willing to rejoice with someone, than to suffer with another. We are not sure the prisoners should be set free, or the poor given hope.**

**Redeemer of all people, forgive us. Anoint us with your Spirit's power so our eyes might be opened and our ears freed to listen to what Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, teaches us about your love and grace for our lives.**

A Time of Silent Confession and Reflection

The Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Prayer of Consecration

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread and the Sharing of the Cup

The Prayer of Humble Access

The Reception

The Prayer of Gratitude

\*Hymn *Love Lifted Me W&S 3101*

Benediction

Postlude

The vision and mission of Lacey United Methodist Church is to welcome, nurture and serve all. Sharing God's grace with open arms. Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the Glory of God.

### **FINANCIAL STATISTICS**

**Statistics for Feb. 16, 2025:**

**Attendance ~ 53 in-person; 27 via YouTube**

Offerings: \$1,602.00 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,220.75

Plate: \$28.00 In Memory of Dawn Slate: \$730.00

Discretionary: \$333.00 Joy of Angels Deposit: \$1,335.75

Thank you for your continued support of LUMC! If you are able, please explore giving on-line by using Vanco for electronic giving (details below) or mail your tithes and offerings to LUMC PO Box 151 Forked River, NJ 08731. Thank you and God bless you!!

**Reminder: The basket on the side table as you walk up the center aisle is for giving to the pastor's discretionary fund which enables us to directly help members of our community who are in need.**

**Electronic Giving is Here!** Follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit our website at [laceyumc.org](http://laceyumc.org)
  - 2) Click **Electronic Giving**, then follow the instructions
- Or scan the image you see here to locate the giving page:  
Contact the LUMC office for more information 609.693.5222



*Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe*

**Normal Hours of Operation:**

Tuesday ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM Wed. ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM

Thursday ~ 8:00AM – 4:00PM Friday ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM

Saturday ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM

↩ The Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe is a vital mission of Lacey UMC. **Volunteers are needed to help extend the hours of operation. Contact Maddie Stapleton or Laura McDonald to learn more!!!**

### **County Support Services at LUMC**

**Feb.25<sup>th</sup> 10AM-1PM:** Board of Social Services will be in Fellowship Hall to provide info. about their services.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

**Fundraising:** March 10<sup>th</sup> 6:00PM **Finance:** March 3<sup>rd</sup> 5:30PM

**Church Council:** March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM **Trustees:** TBD

### **NexTrex Recycling Program**

When we collect more than 1,000 pounds of soft film plastics (NO CLAMSHELL/CLEAR PLASTIC CONTAINERS) in a 12-month span, we will be awarded a Trex® furniture bench for our Prayer Garden! Questions? Contact Laura McDonald at 609-276-0702.

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for  
March 2<sup>nd</sup> – 1 Corinthians 9:16-23*

♪♪ **Praise Team Practice – Wednesdays at 5:30 PM** ♪♪  
No prior experience necessary...all you need is a desire to sing!

**Breakfast with the Pastor: March 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM**  
at **CJ's**, Forked River. Everyone is welcome!

☪ Sermon Series Movie Screenings ☪  
In connection with the sermon series, we will be screening:  
Friday 2/28 – “A Complete Unknown” (details soon!)

**Hope Chest Food Pantry Needs...canned soup and manual can openers!** Drop off at the LUMC office or after worship.

↩↩ **Membership Class is forming!!!** ↩↩  
Please contact Pastor Jonathan at 845-893-9157 if you would like to join the LUMC family!

### **WHITE ELEPHANT Gift Exchange**

**Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> - immediately following worship**

All you need to bring is a wrapped gift to exchange (valued up to \$10), a smile, and a sense of humor! Everyone is welcome!

☺ Re-gifting is strongly encouraged. ☺

Contact Dawn Marie Kuch or the LUMC Office for more information.

### **Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars!**

April 6 – Blessing of the Cars/Spring Dust-Off

April 12 – Spring Bazaar

May 10 – Car Show

Volunteer opportunities available! Details to follow....

Are you a hobbyist? Our friends at The Woman's Club of Lacey are hosting a “Hobby Fair” on Sun., March 30<sup>th</sup> at the Charles A. Smith Community Center. Admission is \$5. Proceeds benefit NJ Children's Alliance.



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**LUMC:** Facebook, Instagram, & YouTube  
**Hope Chest Food Pantry:** Facebook  
**Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe:** Facebook

