

## *Lacey United Methodist Church*

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Thank You to All Who Share Their Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, Witness & Time!

*February 14, 2021*

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

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome**

### **Opening Prayer**

*O God, send your Spirit upon us and light our path,  
that we may travel the road you have prepared for us.*

*Having heard your scriptures proclaimed, and your word  
revealed, enable our hearts and minds to more fully  
understand your goodness and your grace.*

*Help us break free from ideas that no longer bring life, that  
we may embrace the lifegiving work of your Spirit.*

*Challenge us to forsake paths that ask little of us, and help  
us resist the evils and temptations of this world, that we may  
truly follow the way of kingdom living. Amen.*

### **Hymn ~ I Love You Lord Medley #2068-2070-2071**

### **Children's Message**

### **Ministry of Giving and Prayer of Dedication**

*Holy God, we marvel at your love for all your creation. When  
Jesus saw the crowds that gathered, he had compassion on  
them, and his ministry and the church that bears his*

*name must always remember we were born out of  
compassion. We offer our gifts to continue the work of  
compassion, but more than this, we offer ourselves, as he  
also commanded us to "Go!" In his holy name, we pray.  
Amen.*

### **Hymn ~ The Gift of Love #408**

### **Scripture ~ Matthew 5:38-42**

### **Message: Jesus at the Movies: "Moneyball"**

### **Praise Song ~ Fresh Wind**

### **Affirmation of Faith**

*We are a cloth of diverse colors  
made from many gifts and graces.*

***We are the people flowing forth from Creator God,  
surprising ourselves with the things which can be done.***

*We are raw material for rewarding relationships as our lives  
interweave,*

***contributing one to the other, holding each other firm  
when one is weak or breaking.***

*We are each worthy of being respected and cared for  
essential to the pattern,  
skilled in our appointed tasks,  
sources of laughter and sharers of tears.*

*We commit ourselves to work together,  
that one day, this world may be a place  
where all people live in justice, freedom and peace.*

### **Pastoral Prayer**

### **Lord's Prayer**

### **Praise Song ~ For Those Tears I Died**

### **Benediction**

### **Postlude**

**I Love You Lord Medley #2068-2070-2071**

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice  
To worship You, oh I should rejoice!  
Take joy, my King, in what you hear,  
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high,  
I will praise Him  
He is exalted, forever exalted,  
And I will praise His name!  
He is the Lord, forever His truth will reign,  
Heaven and Earth, rejoice in His Holy name,  
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

Jesus, name above all names,  
Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord  
Emmanuel, God is with us  
Blessed Redeemer, Living Word.

**The Gift of Love #408**

Thou I may speak with bravest fire,  
And have the gifts to all inspire,  
But have not love, my thoughts are vain,  
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Thou I may give, all I possess  
And striving so, my love profess,  
But not be given, by love within,  
The profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,  
Our spirits long to be made whole,  
Let inward love, guide every deed  
By this we worship, and are freed.

**Fresh Wind**

Spirit sound, rushing wind,  
Fire of God fall within  
Holy Ghost, Breathe on us, we pray.  
As we repent, turn from sin,  
Revival embers shouldering  
Breath of God, fan us into flame.

We need a fresh wind,  
The fragrance of Heaven  
Pour your spirit out,  
Pour your spirit out.

For hearts that burn, with holy fear,  
Purified in faith and deed.  
Refiner's fire, strengthen what remains  
So we, the church, who bear Your light  
Lamp aflame, city bright  
King and kingdom come, is what we pray.

We need a fresh wind,  
The fragrance of Heaven  
Pour your spirit out,  
Pour your spirit out.

We need a fresh wind,  
The fragrance of Heaven  
Pour your Spirit out  
pour your Spirit out...  
We need a fresh wind.

## **For Those Tears I Died**

You said you'd come, to share all our sorrow,  
You said you'd be there for all my tomorrow's  
I came so close, to sending you away,  
But just like you promised, you came here to stay  
I just had to pray....and Jesus said,

“Come to the water, stand by my side  
I know you are thirsty, you won't be denied  
I felt very tear drop, as in darkness you cried,  
And I strove to remind you,  
That for those tears I died.”

Jesus, I give you my heart and my soul,  
I know, without God, I'd. Ever be whole.  
Savior, you opened all the right doors,  
And I thank you and praise you, from Earth's humble shores,  
Take me, I'm yours....and Jesus said,

“Come to the water, stand by my side,  
I know you are thirsty, you won't be denied  
I felt every gear drop as in darkness you cried,  
And I strove to remind you,  
That for those tears I died.”

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

**For God's Healing & Discernment** ~ CoVid sufferers & Care Givers; Susan Schlotter; Daryl Simmons; Jay J; Nancy D; Dee & Paul Burrowes; Colleen Brandt; Peg & Bob Bea; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Ray MacPherson; Larry Radomski; Carol Horling; Peg & Will Cotton; Barkley Family; Mihalkovitz/Przybylski Families; Marjorie Moore; Bev Krott; Charles Cometa Jr.; Peggy LaPorta; Sandi Smith; George K.; Terry S.; James; Gesine Klein; Tony Kosciuk, Dee & Jessica Maffucci; Joan McGavin; Cindy Dreher; Nancy Dean; Shannon Kelly Callahan; Macon & Allyson Cotton; Lisa Burger; Patricia Potter; Sally & Trevor Potter; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; BettyAnn Britton; Tommy Britton; Dawn Marie & Stash Kuch; Kyle Kuch; Gail Matuska; Phyllis Smith; Bill Jones; Rosalie Mulvaney; Sue & Rich Newman; Bill Hults; Bill & Becky Buglione; Melody Pryor-Tasco; Lorraine, Katrina & Peter Borchester; Sally & Don McErlean; Hunter; Pat Grant; Bill & Ellie Keyworth; Deb Burnette; Shannon, Noel, & Brandon Weaver; our whole Church Family.

**For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss** ~ Covid19 Victims; Bernie & Dot Novack's Family; Danny Taylor Family; Richard Dickon Family; Lazarus Family

**Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer** ~ Celebrating the birth of Amelia Margaret to parents Cody & Bill Woods; Great-Grandmother Margie Moore! Thanks be to God for answered prayer!

**For Those Serving in the Military** ~ Peter Borchester; Jordyn Breur; Kevin Carhart; Luke Derflinger; Randall D. Donithan; Ellen Hammer; Gavin Hammer D'Adamo; Raymond Kitson; James Lubbers; T. Ryan McDonald; Ryan Palmieri; Daniel Schenker; Jason Schenker; for all Soldiers; Sailors; Marines; Airmen; & 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; Kúrios' Kids; 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 John & Beverly Schol; DS Rev Dr. Gina Hendrickson; all Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

**World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas** ~ People of Austria, Liechtenstein, Switzerland; Massachusetts, Michigan; Lacey Township Committee, Leaders & First Responders; Senators; Congressmen and leaders of our United States of America; Uniting of all American political parties; President Joe Biden & Vice President Kamala Harris; Gov. Murphy, NJ Officials working to end CoVid19; Praying an outpouring of God's spiritual renewal and healing of all the people of America.

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.

**Beginning the week of February 14<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Jonathan will be leading a 6-week Lenten Book Study. We will be studying the book "Restored: Finding Redemption in Our Mess" by Rev. Tom Berlin.** If you would like to grow spiritually this Easter Season, this study is a wonderful opportunity. If you would want to be a part of this 6-week study, please contact the LUMC Office 609.693.5222. Below is a description of "Restored".

Often, we make a mess of our lives and wonder if there is any redemption. In this book, pastor and author Tom Berlin helps us see our mess through the eyes of Christ to find redemption and restoration. Using Scripture, devotional tools, and the writings of Ignatius of Loyola, John of the Cross, St. Augustine, John Wesley, Evelyn Underhill, and others, Berlin encourages reflection and meditation through our own brokenness. Only then can we focus on the cross as the place where we truly surrender control, leave our mess, and find redemption.

#### **FINANCIAL STATISTICS – February 7, 2021**

Attendance ~ 48 via Facebook Views  
Envelope Offerings ~ \$1,650.00    Offerings via Vanco ~ \$1,104.70  
Lenten Book Study ~ \$40.00      Rent ~ \$1,323.08  
Sanctuary Media Upgrade ~ \$1,025.00  
Transfer from ShopRite Fundraiser Acct. ~ \$2,000.00

Thank you for your continued support of LUMC! We GREATLY appreciate your generosity! 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. GNJAC has set up separate accounts for every local Church if you would like to use your credit or debit card to share your tithe and offerings you may do so by visiting [gnjumc.org/onlinegiving](http://gnjumc.org/onlinegiving).

Thank you and God bless you!!

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- 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



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- ✓ [amazonmile.com](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2279634) - Support LUMC by starting your Amazon shopping at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2279634>

*Scriptures to read & pray over in preparation for  
Ash Wednesday, February 17 - Isaiah 58:1-12  
Sunday, February 21 - Romans 7:18-19*

#### **ShopRite Gift Card Fundraiser**

ShopRite makes a \$50 donation to LUMC for every \$1,000 we sell in ShopRite gift cards! Cards are available through the LUMC Office. All you have to do is buy cards through LUMC and shop at ShopRite!

*If you would like to place flowers on the Altar on a certain date in honor or in remembrance of a loved one, please contact the LUMC Office.*

**Virtual Bible Study Opportunities** - Thursdays 9AM & 6:45 PM  
Please contact the LUMC Office to receive the virtual link!

**Hope Chest Food Pantry is open on**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays from 12PM to 2PM!**

We are currently collecting **pasta sauce**.

**Volunteers needed!** Contact the LUMC Office to learn more!

**Free Meal Distribution on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12PM**

Call the LUMC Office 609.693.5222 to register so we know how many meals are needed for your family. Thank you!

**Memorial Brick Orders for The Bell Enclosure Walk Way**

4" x 8" Brick / 3 lines / 18 characters each line including spaces = \$50  
8" x 8" Brick / 6 lines / 18 characters each line including spaces = \$100

Contact Elaine Brandt for more information.

*Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe*

***New Hours of Operation:***

Thursdays ~ 8:00AM – 11:00AM

Fridays & Saturdays ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM

***Donation Drop-Off:***

Thursdays from 8:00AM-11:00AM