

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

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

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Jackie Swomiak; Tyler; Deb & Rick Waddell; Dale & Paul Stuckey; Wayne Kellstrom; Bill J. Romano; Mary Cicale; Peggy Rafuse; Chip & Bonnie Marshall; Laura & Tim McDonald; Robert Rockafellow; Joan McGavin; Lisa Smith; Sue Smith; Samantha Maida; Sue Bolanwski; Irene; Lorraine & Robert Soehl; Cynthia Pedemonti; Dave C.; Luke Denning; Jaden Maggio; Alease & Ken King; Donna Craft; Annabelle Littlefield; Doug Hopkinson; Sharon Callaghan; Tom C; Neil Barnett; Dan; Jaime; Susan Smith; Hannah Maloney; Eddie Grant; John R.; Phyllis Smith; Louis Potter; Dottie Connolly; Sheryl Lutgen; Lois Pozsar; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Andrea Almeida; Frank & Mary Timmerman; Peg Bea; Lorraine, Katrina & Peter Borchester; our whole Church Family.

For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss ~ Family of Robert Cicale; Family of Linda Papetti; Family of Joe McGuiggan.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ 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 Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia; Illinois, Indiana; 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. Sherrill; Praying an outpouring of God's spiritual renewal and healing of all the people of America.

Lacey United Methodist Church Palm Sunday ~ March 29, 2026

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

Liturgist: Diane Collins Music Director: Matthew Holmberg

** Please feel free to rise in body or spirit. All Music Used with Permission – CCLI#2274807*

Prelude

Welcome

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 21:1-11

Hymn *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* UMH 278

*Call to Worship

Give thanks to God, who is truly good. **Hosanna in the highest!**

Praise Christ, whose love abounds with grace.

Hosanna in the highest!

Welcome the Spirit with songs of praise. **Hosanna in the highest!**

Young Disciples' Time

Prayer of Illumination

Lord, even as we sing our praise, **we know that this is a week of deep sorrow.** Triumph turns to tragedy before tragedy can turn to triumph. **Yet, we embrace the joy of this day.** It is strength for the journey ahead. **May our joy and God's blessings give us endurance.** We will need it to face the pain of Holy week.

Help us meet the reality of our lives and the needs of our world. Amen.

Gospel Lesson: John 8:31-47

Message: Jesus Said What?: "Your Father the Devil"

*Hymn *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus* UMH 277

*Affirmation of Faith UMH 882

Announcements

The Prayers of the People

Offering

Anthem: Hosanna, Hosanna We Sing

*Doxology

UMH 95

*Prayer of Dedication

We give you thanks, Christ Jesus, for your goodness and your grace. Blessing the gifts and lives we offer to you, that they may bring goodness and grace to your world. In gratitude and joy, we pray. Amen.

Communion Hymn Become to Us the Living Bread UMH 630

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession

Faithful One, we want to be as faithful to you as you are to us. Help us sing your praises joyously and proudly, even when the jeering crowds frighten us. Walk with us in moments of celebration and times of trouble. Guide our steps, save our lives, and help us bring your message of love to the world. Hosanna, O faithful One; hosanna in the highest. Amen.

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

The Breaking of the Bread and the Sharing of the Cup

The Prayer of Humble Access

The Reception

Prayer of Gratitude

*Hymn *Blessed Be the Name of the Lord* TFWS 2034

Benediction

*Postlude

Mission Statement: Lacey UMC is committed to creating inspiring worship, enriching teaching, and hands on service opportunities so that individuals become passionate followers of Jesus Christ.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Statistics for March 22: Attendance ~ 54 in-person; 19 via YouTube
Offerings: \$2,035.00 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,398.76
Plate: \$47.00 Hot Lunch Program: \$285.00
Easter Flowers: \$640.00 Food Pantry: \$500.00
Discretionary: \$107.00 Joy of Angels Deposit: \$1,679.20

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.

WAYS TO GIVE



ONLINE

Visit our website laceyumc.org or click the link below to set up electronic giving.



IN PERSON

VIA TITHING ENVELOPE cash/check



MOBILE GIVING

Donate to Lacey UMC by using the venmo app on your tablet or phone.

Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

Normal Hours of Operation:

Tuesday: 10:00AM – 4:00PM 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 work during the hours of operation. Contact Maddie Stapleton or Laura McDonald to learn more!!!**

NexTrex Recycling Program is back!!!

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.

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

2026 Holy Week Schedule

Mar. 29 – Palm Sunday
April 2 – Maundy Thursday Worship 7:00PM
April 3 – Good Friday Stations of the Cross 12:00PM-3:00PM
Good Friday Worship at FR Presbyterian 7:00PM
April 5 – Easter Sunrise Service 6:00AM at **Meadowlark Beach**
Easter Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary 9:00AM

Opportunities to Grow in Faith

Sunday Bible Study: Following Worship in Fellowship Hall
Bible Study: Thurs. at 6:30PM - Connolly Center Conf. Room
Please contact Pastor Jonathan for more info.

County Support Services at LUMC

April 14th 10AM-1PM: Board of Social Services will be in Fellowship Hall to provide info. about their services.

Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars!

Apr 12 – Blessing of the Cars/Spring Dust-Off (weather permitting)
May 9 – Car Show (rain date: May 16)
Volunteer opportunities available - sign-up today!

Hope Chest Food Pantry Needs...

*canned pasta/ravioli *soups *snacks
*bottled juices *frozen dinners *frozen pizza

SHALOM Mission Needs paper towels – thank you!

Thank you, **Black-eyed Susan's Florist**, for donating the palms!!!



