

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Covid sufferers & Care Givers; Shelia; Quinn; Harper & Rachel; Freddy; Gail Matuska; Tony Daleo; Rev. Wade Jackson; Bruce Halliday; Kevin; Rhoda & Steve; Amy Russell; Brian; Ashley; Carole Reppert; Aiden & Ariel Edgecomb; Gwen Lewis; Aubrey; Betty Carhart; Rosalie Mulvaney; Kay Laux; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Daniel Huyler; Isabella; Ronald & Marilyn Slate; Pamela Sutherland; Michael Niejako; Frank & Mary Timmerman; Cynthia Pedemonti; Andrea Schenker; Helen DeLa Cruz; Alicia; Dave H.; Peg Bea; Jonathan Rock; Kyle; Shannon Callaghan; Rachel C.; Louise; Pete & Kathy Jensen; Virginia Schoeneberg; George Reid; Will Cotton; Dawn Slate; Carole Exel; Karen; Tom & Mary; Davette & Leslie Bivins; Lizzie Britton; Linda & John Ansbach; Patricia Potter; Michael Potter; Sara Carpini; Joseph; Ed & Monique Wojciechowski; Emmett & Gloria Bivins; Brittney; Diane Collins; Rick & Ashleigh Handchen; Marousis Family; George & Adrienne Melnyk; Ike & Joan Icenhower; Susan Schlotter; Dee & Paul Burrowes; Colleen Brandt; Barkley Family; Joan McGavin; Cindy Dreher; Nancy Dean; Allyson Cotton; Lisa Burger; Sally & Trevor Potter; Tommy Britton; Dawn Marie & Stash Kuch; Kyle Kuch; Phyllis Smith; Bill Jones; Sue & Rich Newman; Bill Hults; Bill & Becky Buglione; Melody Pryor-Tasco; Lorraine; Katrina & Peter Borchester; Sally & Don McErlean; Hunter; Pat Grant; Bill Keyworth; Deb Burnette; Shannon, Noel, & Brandon Weaver; our whole Church Family.

For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss ~ Covid19 Victims; Betty Ann Britton Family; Patrick Sisbarro Family; Ed Johnson Family; Harry Newman Family; Evelyn Handchen Family; Bill Williams Family; Guy Burnett Family; Bill Krott Family; Thomas Helle Family.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ 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; 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; 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.

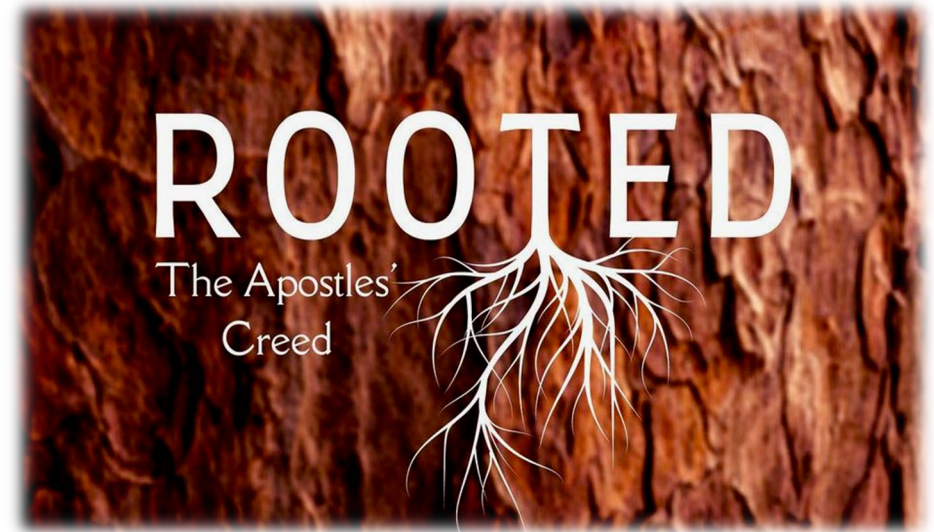
For Greater NJ Annual Conference ~ Bishop John & Beverly Schol; DS Rev. Héctor A. Burgos; all Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas ~ People of Ukraine, Republic of Congo, Gabon, Sao Tome and Principe; Prayer for God's will to be done on Earth; 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.



Lacey United Methodist Church

October 9, 2022



“I Believe in the Church and the Communion of Saints”

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Head of the Church ~ Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God

Ministers: All of Us Liturgist: Lorraine Borchester

Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Dominic Gregoria

Music Director: Dawn Slate Welcoming Team: Lori Osborn & Deb Waddell

Head Ushers: Sherry Exel & Rick Waddell

Junior Head Ushers: Kenshin Frangos & Abby Michalkowski

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

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

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

All Music Used with Permission – CCLI#2274807

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Hymn** *How Great Thou Art* **UMH 77 Vs. 1,3,4**

Call to Worship

Come, all of you who feel lost, alienated, alone.

Right Side: At one time we felt that way – we didn't belong anywhere.

Left Side: We just wanted somewhere to be.

Christ, the Strong Cornerstone of our house, welcomes you.

Right Side: Once we were no people

Left Side: Now we are God's people.

Right Side: Once we had no place to dwell

Left Side: Now we live and abide in God's love.

Thanks be to God for God's gracious love and hospitality. Amen.

Young Disciple's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Let the one who has ears to hear, listen.

The Word of the Lord speaks to the living of our lives today.

God's Word is our fortress and strength,
providing shelter and foundation for daily living.

Let the one who has ears to hear, listen. Amen.

Epistle Lesson: 1 Peter 2:5-10

Epistle Lesson: Hebrews 12:1-2

Message: "I Believe in the Church and the Communion of Saints"

***Hymn** *For All the Saints* **UMH 711 Vs. 1-3**

Apostles' Creed **UMH 882**

Pastoral Prayer

Please come to the altar to light a candle in honor of someone who shaped your faith. Please say the name aloud of the person and give gratitude to God for the blessing they have been in your life.

The Lord's Prayer

Offering

Anthem ~ The Heart of Worship

*Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Lord, we thank you for the many gifts you have poured into our lives for those who love us and nurture us; for those who teach us to be loving people. Bless those people and bless these gifts that we may work for you, bringing healing and hope to our fractured world. Amen.

Hymn *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* **UMH 349**

Prayer of Confession

Forgiving God, you know how easy it is for us to celebrate with joy the wonders of your love. We create wonderful art to represent the joy we feel. Our music soars to the heavens in praise of you. Yet how often we have left our service to you as mere thoughts and intentions without fulfillment. You ask us to be ready to serve you at any time, but we place our commitment on the "to do" list of life; we will do these things when we get to them. Forgive our hesitancy and our self-serving ways, O Lord. Heal us of the disease of seeking first our own comfort before we engage in acts of justice and mercy. Open our eyes and ears to the cries of those in need. Help us to give and also to receive ministries of love and reconciliation as we serve you with our whole hearts. Then our music, our art, our worship will truly reflect your awesome and abundant love for us. Amen.

Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

It is God's good pleasure to give us the kingdom. It is our joy to serve God by helping each other and all those in need. Be assured of God's tender mercy toward you and continue that love in all that you do. Amen.

***Hymn** *Lord of the Dance* **UMH 261**

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

Our projected weekly need to meet ministry obligations is \$5,120.00. Statistics for September 25, 2022

Attendance ~ 28 in-person; 23 via YouTube

Offerings ~ \$1,472.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$1,100.47 Plate ~ \$40.00

Bounty of the Bay ~ \$615.00 Book Study ~ \$80.00

Discretionary ~ \$115.00

American Rescue Plan Reimbursement – Gen. Fund ~ \$36.58

American Rescue Plan Reimbursement – Discretionary ~ \$2,905.00

General Fund Total: \$3,344.05

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!!

Electronic Giving is Here! Follow these easy steps:

1) Visit our website at 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



Memorial Brick Orders

4" x 8" Brick / 4 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.

Please visit our website or contact the LUMC Office for an order form!

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!

Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

Hours of Operation: Thursdays ~ 8:00AM – 11:00AM

Tues., Wed., Fridays, & Sat. ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM

↪ The Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe is a vital mission of Lacey UMC. Volunteers are needed to help extend the hours of operation. Please contact Elaine Brandt to volunteer!

Upcoming Events for Children/Youth

⇒ **Sunday School** following the Young Disciples Message

⇒ **Drama Club** Wednesdays 5:00-6:30PM

Shoe Drive Fundraiser coming to LUMC! Start saving your new or gently used pairs of shoes. Details to follow...

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
October 16 – Psalms 103:9-12; Matthew 18:21-22*

Bible Study Opportunities

✚ Wednesday morning Bible Study will return soon!

✚ Wednesday evenings at 6:15pm at the home of Donna Jones. Please contact Donna at 609-276-7383 for more information.

✚ Thursday evenings at 6:45pm.

Special Church Conference Sessions on October 15 & October 22 at 3:30PM

At the first special church conference on October 15, 2022 at 3:30PM, there will be a vote taken to determine if we move forward in the discernment process and proceed with the second special church conference now scheduled for October 22, 2022 at 3:30PM. Please make every effort to be at the October 15th special church conference to learn more about the discernment and disaffiliation process and to place your vote. The vote is open to LUMC members only. Please contact Pastor Jonathan for more information.

Monthly Pastor's Breakfast: Tomorrow at 9:00 AM at Lacey Perkins. Everyone is welcome!

TODAY there will be a Church Council meeting immediately after worship to discuss a proposal from the Nominations Team that will come before Charge Conference. **NO VOTE WILL BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING.** It is for informational purposes only.

Central District Charge Conference – Wed., Oct 12 at 7:30 PM

The Conference will be virtual this year. Details to follow...

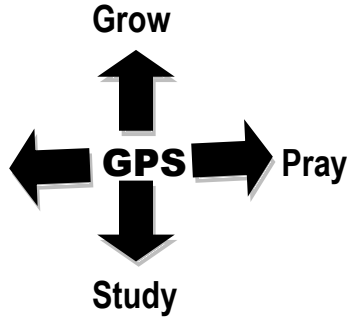
BOUNTY OF THE BAY Tuesday Oct. 18th 6:30pm-8:30pm
Appetizers, Entrees and Desserts from local restaurants.
\$25 Adults / \$8 children 10 yrs. and under Silent Auction!

Oct. 19th - Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" Fundraiser
Purchase a 25% off coupon from LUMC for only \$5!!!
Contact the LUMC Office or see Dawn Slate after worship!

HARVEST FEST ~ November 19 9AM – 2PM
BAKED GOODS | HOMEMADE SOUPS & CHILI |
PICS WITH SANTA | CRAFTS | VENDORS | RUMMAGE SALE
Contact the LUMC Office 609.693.5222 for more information.

Membership class happening this Fall at LUMC!
Please contact Pastor Jonathan at 845-893-9157 if you would like to join the LUMC family!

Week of 10/10



Monday- Mark 2:1-12

What is meant by the term “stretcher bearers”? Where and in what circumstances have you seen stretcher bearers in your congregation?

Tuesday- Matthew 9:35-38

How is God calling you to serve and love others?

Wednesday- Hebrews 12:1-2

Who is a part of your “great cloud of witnesses?”

Thursday- 1 Corinthians 12:12-17

Do we as a church find ways to challenge each member and honor each one’s contributions? If so, how? If not, how could we do better?

Friday- 1 Peter 2:5-10

How are you being called to live out your royal priesthood?

Saturday- 1 Peter 2:9

How should we interpret the words “speak of the wonderful acts of one who called you?”

Notes:
