

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

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

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Covid sufferers & Care Givers; Ellen Larney; Brittney; Barbara Dmiczak; Casimir Kowalczyk; Diane Collins; Rick & Ashleigh Handchen; Marousis Family; Tom & Bonnie M.; Millie L.; Mary Rose K.; Alexa DeRose; George & Adrienne Melnyk; Ike & Joan Icenhower; Thomas Helle; Susan Schlotter; Daryl Simmons; Jay J; Nancy D; Dee & Paul Burrowes; Colleen Brandt; Peg & Bob Bea; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Ray MacPherson; Larry Radomski; Peg & Will Cotton; Barkley Family; Mihalkovitz/Przybylski Families; Marjorie Moore; Bev Krott; Charles Cometa Jr.; Peggy LaPorta; Sandi Smith; Terry S.; Gesine Klein; Tony Kosciuk, Dee & Jessica Maffucci; Joan McGavin; Cindy Dreher; Nancy Dean; Shannon Kelly Callahan; 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 Keyworth; Deb Burnette; Shannon, Noel, & Brandon Weaver; our whole Church Family.

For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss ~ Covid19 Victims; Crystal Handchen Family; Richard Nauyoks Family; Macon Cotton Jr. Family; Ellie Keyworth Family; Fred Weidemann Family; Bernie & Dot Novack's Family; Danny Taylor Family; Richard Dickon Family; Lazarus 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; & 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 Indian Ocean Islands: Comoros, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, Seychelles; Washington, West Virginia; 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**

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Sally Potter, Rich Rosfjord

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

May 16, 2021

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

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

*We are called to bring a new understanding of God:
that God so loves the world.*

We are the salt of the earth.

*We are called to bring a new hope in God:
that God gives us new life.*

We are the light of the world.

We are called to follow the commandments and the law.

The Law of God is to love God and to love one another.

*Come, let us be the salt of the earth,
the light of the world.*

Come, let us love one another with the love of God.

***Let us join together in our love of God
to worship and follow Jesus.***

Hymn ~ Seek Ye First #405

Young Disciples' Message

Prayer for Illumination

God, source of all light, by your word you give light to the soul. Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.

Scripture ~ Matthew 5:17-24

Message: “Sermon on the Mount: The Extensions”

Hymn ~ Faith of Our Fathers #710

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we confess that we have taken Your commandments and turned them into rules. We have criticized those who have fallen short and selfishly proclaimed ourselves righteous. We have failed to understand the spirit of the commandments and the Way that was shown by You to live, loving God and loving our neighbors. Forgive us for turning Your law into burdens for others and ourselves, instead of a Way to love and freedom in You. In the name of Christ, who has given us the Way and leads us on, we pray. Amen.

(A Moment of Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

You are loved. Love is the Way. When you love God, you love others. When you truly lay down your life for others, you lay down your life for God. Give yourself to God by serving others. Know that in God’s love there is forgiveness, healing, and reconciliation. Amen.

Hymn ~ Nothing Between #373

Ministry of Giving and Prayer of Dedication

Loving God of both comfort and challenge; we have been blessed to know the feeling of being surrounded in your loving arms like a child. Yet we also know that is not a place we can stay. You send us to be part of the world – with all its ugliness, anger, hate, deceit, and betrayals – but not of the world. You call us to give, so that love, compassion, and hope might be set loose. We are not giving as those who are of the world – expecting to receive in the transaction. We give instead out of gratitude for your loving heart, made known to us in Christ. Use us in this way, we pray in the blessed name of Christ, who by your love overcame death. Amen.

Hymn ~ This Little Light of Mine #585

Benediction

Postlude

Songs for Sunday, May 16, 2021

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Seek Ye First #405

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you
Allelu Alleluia

Ask and it shall be given unto you
Seek and ye shall find
Knock and it shall be opened unto you
Allelu Alleluia

Al - le - lu - ia
Al - le - lu - ia
Al - le - lu...

Seek Ye first the kingdom of God,
And His righteousness,
And all these things will be added unto you,
Allelu, Alleluia.

Faith of Our Fathers #710

Faith of our fathers, living still,
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene’er we hear that glorious word.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our fathers, we will strive
To win all nations unto Thee
And through the truth that comes from God
Mankind shall then be truly free.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith
We will be true to Thee till death.

Faith of our fathers, we will love
Both friend and foe, in all our strife.
And preach Thee too, as love knows how
By kindly words and virtuous life.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith
We will be true to Thee, til death.

Nothing Between #373

Nothing between my soul and the Savior,
Naught of this world's delusive dream:
I have renounced all sinful pleasure-
Jesus is mine! There's nothing between.

Nothing between my soul and the Savior,
So that His blessed face may be seen;
Nothing preventing the least of His favor:
Keep the way clear! Let nothing between.

Nothing between, like worldly pleasure:
Habits of life, though harmless they seem,
Must not my heart from Him ever sever-
He is my all! There's nothing between.

Nothing between my soul and the Savior,
So that His blessed face may be seen;
Nothing preventing the least of His favor:
Keep the way clear! Let nothing between.

This Little Light of Mine #585

This little light of mine,
I'm gonna' let it shine,
This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine,
I'm gonna' let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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 – May 9, 2021

Attendance ~ 29 in-person; 16 via Facebook Views

Envelope Offerings ~ \$835.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$989.70
Rent ~ \$1,273.08

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.
Thank you and God bless you!!

Replacement **WASHER** needed for the Connolly Center!
Please contact Michael Orlick or the LUMC Office if you know of a used washer that is available. Thank 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



Shop Online? Here are two ways you could earn donations for LUMC!

- ✓ umcmarket.org - You earn for LUMC every time you click through the umcmarket.org site to shop. Sign up for free at umcmarket.org!
- ✓ amazonsmile.com - Support LUMC by starting your Amazon shopping at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2279634>

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!

Hope Chest Food Pantry is open on
Tuesdays & Thursdays from 12PM to 2PM!

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
Sunday, May 26 – Matthew 5:13-16; 43-48*

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

*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 609-693-5222.*

Drama Club at LUMC – Tuesdays 5pm-6:30pm

This is a free club open to all children of reading age up until
age 18. Contact Dominic 732.904.9945 or
donnieg777@hotmail.com for info!

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!

Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

Hours of Operation: Thursdays ~ 8:00AM – 11:00AM
Fridays & Saturdays ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM

Shoe Drive

We are collecting **new or gently used pairs of shoes** for a
fundraiser to benefit LUMC! All sizes/styles accepted.
Questions? Contact Lori Osborn or the LUMC Office.

☼ **Summer Lunch Program for Lacey's Kids** ☼

We are collecting **chicken noodle soup** and **canned tuna** to be
distributed to participants. Drop off to Sherry Exel on Sundays
or to the LUMC Office during the week!

Flea Market - Saturday May 22 8am – 2pm
\$10 per space. Setup at 7:00am. BYOT – Bring Your Own Table
We are collecting donations of **canned soda, bottled water,
individually wrapped snacks** to sell at the flea market.
Questions? Contact the LUMC Office.



**Dine to Donate Night at Wendy's
Tuesday, May 25 from 5PM-8PM**

Wendy's will donate 15% of sales to LUMC. All you
need to do is share this event with all your friends and
plan on ordering from the Lacey Wendy's!

**United Methodist Men's BBQ at the Parsonage
Saturday, June 12th from 12pm to 2pm
744 Devon Street, Forked River**

All the men of the congregation are invited to a BBQ at the
parsonage to help plan and develop the future of
LUMC's United Methodist Men.
For more information and to RSVP, please contact the LUMC
Office at 609.693.5222 or laceyumcnj@gmail.com

**Lacey Farmer's Market Open at LUMC on
Fridays starting June 4th**

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL LUMC GRADUATES!
College Graduate:

Molly Newman, Bloomsburg

8th Grade Graduates:

Anthony Burger

Abigail Michalkowski

Lea Michalkowski

Hayden Van Arsdale

Matthew Zonkowski

Do you have a Child or Grandchild graduating?
Please let us know so we can celebrate this milestone with you!
Please call Joann in the Church Office – 609-693-5222