

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

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

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Bob & Pam Marsh; Sadie; Kyle Wilhelm; Nancy & Rev. George Reid; Sally Potter; Diane Sadowski; Danny Huylar; Karen Knapp; Mel Rosenbloom; Donna Craft; Carolyn; Diane F.; Michael Claus; John E. Rue; Christine Morgan; Joseph Ensinger; Michelle Reyes; Jeff Merceron; Mrs. Nunez; Lois Pozsar; Patrick Jemas; Helen Wooley; Gary; Levi Kern; Greg R.; Frank Huscha; Rich Rosfjord; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Sara Carpini; Ronnie Sadowski; Andrea Almeida; Betty Carty; Cindy Kuch; Linda & John Ansbach; Bill Wehner; Rich C.; Chris Mignone; Denise Applegate; Randy M.; Lois; Sue & Rich Newman; Dawn Slate; Gail Matuska; Monika & Fred Sisbarro; Marilyn Slate; Shirley; Aubrey; Betty Carhart; Rosalie Mulvaney; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Frank & Mary Timmerman; Cynthia Pedemonti; Andrea Schenker; Helen DeLa Cruz; Peg Bea; Shannon Callaghan; Will Cotton; Carole Exel; Patricia Potter; Susan Schlotter; Joan McGavin; Phyllis Smith; Bill & Becky Buglione; Lorraine; Katrina & Peter Borchester; Don McErlean; Pat Grant; our whole Church Family.

For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss ~ Keith Gibbons Family; Alena Robles Family; Elliott Freeman Family; Chelsea Diehl Family; Bill Schrieber Family; Paul Olsen Family; Don Reppert Family.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ For the Birth of Caden Pennec – parents Lauren and Matt; great grandmother Joan McGavin! Kidney transplant for Jake Wiesner! For the birth of Jarrett Emmanuel Chen Stapleton! Thanks be to God for answered prayer!

For Those Serving in the Military ~ Peter Borchester; Jordyn Breur; Kevin Carhart; 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 John & Beverly Schol; DS Rev. Ronell Howard; all Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas ~ People of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia; Ohio, Oklahoma; 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; Praying an outpouring of God's spiritual renewal and healing of all the people of America.

 *Lacey United Methodist Church*
April 21, 2024



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Head of the Church - Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God
Ministers: All of Us Liturgist: Emmett Bivins
Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Dominic Gregoria
Music Director: Dawn Slate
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 and Welcome

*Hymn Welcome W&S 3152

*Call to Worship

We gather as a community of compassion and hope.

Jesus calls us to care for each other tenderly and willingly.

By this caring and sharing we will be known as followers of Jesus.

By our example others may be led to lives of peace.

Lord, open our hearts and minds this day to your word.

Teach us to serve you with all our gifts and talents. Amen.

Hymn We Are the Church (v. 1-2) UMH 558

Young Disciples' Time

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Please welcome our new sister in Christ, Joann Dolcy

Reception of New Members

Please welcome to the LUMC community James Dolcy, Joann Dolcy, John Muniz, Gary Vaccaro, and Randi Vaccaro

Hymn We Are the Church (v. 3-4) UMH 558

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, give us humble, teachable, and obedient hearts, that we may receive what you have revealed, and do what you have commanded. Amen.

Epistle Lesson: Romans 12:9-21

Gospel Lesson: Luke 9:23-25

Message: To Be or Not to Be the Church - "Be a Disciple"

*Hymn *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love* FWS 2223

*Affirmation of Faith UMH 883

Pastoral Prayer and Announcements

Offering

Anthem: We Are God's People FWS 2220

*Doxology

UMH 95

*Prayer of Dedication

Generous God who always gives to each one of us the best, we thank you for this opportunity to share from our abundance. Bless these gifts, offered through the ministries and mission of this church. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Communion Hymn *One Bread, One Body* UMH 620

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession

There are far too many times, O Lord, when we have neglected or ignored the needs of others because it just wasn't convenient for us to help. We backed away with excuses on our lips and indifference in our hearts. Forgive us and set us on the right path of service and compassion in the name of Jesus who modeled faithful living for us. Remind us that we are residents of a global community. Help us to hear the plight of those who have been voiceless. With the gifts that we have and the love of Christ, direct our lives in compassionate service to others. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

A Time of Silent Confession and Reflection

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 *Many Gift, One Spirit* UMH 114

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 April 14, 2024:

Attendance ~ 41 in-person; 25 via YouTube
Offerings: \$723.00 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,109.13 Plate: \$155.00
Art Auction & Mt. Zion Donations: \$4,894.00
Capital Campaign: \$20.00 Discretionary: \$288.00
Hot Lunch: \$248.00 Hospitality: \$34.00
Joy of Angels Deposit: \$1,300.25

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
 - 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



Please help us complete the Sanctuary Altar Flooring

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

Hope Chest Food Pantry Needs...shelf-stable milk and juice!

Drop off at the LUMC office during the week or after worship.

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.

County Support Services at LUMC

Tues., April 23rd 9:30AM-1:30PM: OC Board of Social Services will be in Fellowship Hall to provide info. about their services.

Holy Grounds Coffee Hour & New Member Celebration Today after Worship in Fellowship Hall

Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
April 28 – 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Opportunities to Grow in Faith

Bible Study: Mondays at 9:00AM in the Connolly Center
Disciple Bible Study: Thurs. at 6:00PM and Sun. at 1:00PM
Please contact Pastor Jonathan or the LUMC Office for more info.

Pastoral care coverage:

April 23-27: Rev. Dawn Corlew 609-338-9711
April 29-May 4: Rev. Paul Quevedo 516-458-9699

Upcoming Meetings

Sisters-In-Faith: Tuesday, May 7th at 6PM
Fundraising: Monday, May 13th at 6PM in Fellowship Hall
Trustees: May 20th at 5:30PM **Church Council:** JUNE 2024!

Upcoming Events

Saturday, May 11: Car Show All Years/Makes/Models
Trophies | Music | Food | Fun for All
\$15 Pre-Registration \$20 Day of Show

Bake Sales at the Lacey Farmers' Market:

May 24 | June 21 | July 5 | August 30

Thursday, August 15: Faith & Family Night at the Blue Claws

\$18 includes game ticket, hotdog, soda, and ice cream
Contact Joann in the LUMC Office to reserve your tickets!

Join our media team!!! The media team coordinates the live stream, sound, and video screen presentation during worship.

📞 Contact Steven at 732-300-1956 to learn more!! 📞



We're social! Like & follow us on...
LUMC: Facebook, Instagram, & YouTube
Hope Chest Food Pantry: Facebook
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