

<>< *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; Isabella; Ronald & Marilyn Slate; Pamela Sutherland; Michael Niejako; Frank & Mary Timmerman; Cynthia Pedemonti; Andrea Schenker; Helen DeLa Cruz; Evelyn Handchen; Alicia; Dave H.; Marie Yarger; Rosalie Mulvaney; Peg Bea; Jonathan Rock; Kyle; Joe Bence; Shannon Callaghan; Rachel C.; Louise; Michelle Reyes; Pete & Kathy Jensen; Virginia Schoeneberg; George Reid; Will Cotton; Dawn Slate; Carole Exel; Karen; Tom & Mary; Terry H.; Davette & Leslie Bivins; Lizzie Britton; Linda & John Ansbach; Patricia Potter; Michael Potter; Sara Carpin; Joseph; Ed & Monique Wojciechowski; Beccari Family; Emmett & Gloria Bivins; Ellen Larney; Brittney; Diane Collins; Rick & Ashleigh Handchen; Marousis Family; George & Adrienne Melnyk; Ike & Joan Icenhower; Thomas Helle; Susan Schlotter; Dee & Paul Burrowes; Colleen Brandt; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Barkley Family; Charles Cometa Jr.; Peggy LaPorta; Gesine Klein; Joan McGavin; Cindy Dreher; Nancy Dean; Allyson Cotton; Lisa Burger; Sally & Trevor Potter; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; BettyAnn Britton; Tommy Britton; Dawn Marie & Stash Kuch; Kyle Kuch; Gail Matuska; Phyllis Smith; Bill Jones; Sue & Rich Newman; Bill Hulst; 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; Nick Juliano Family; Marjorie Moore Family; Sandi Smith 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. 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, Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan; North Carolina, North Dakota; 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

May 1, 2022



The Community Meal

203 West Lacey Road - PO Box 151 Forked River, NJ 08731
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Head of the Church ~ Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God

Ministers: All of Us Liturgist: Diane Collins

Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Dominic Gregoria

Music Director: Dawn Slate Welcoming Team: Virginia Schoeneberg

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

Praise Song *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)
Please stand, as you are able, as the Light of Christ enters.

Call to Worship

We need your presence on the long road, Lord. **The road between fear and hope**, the road between the place where all is lost **and the place of resurrection**. Like the disciples walking the road to Emmaus, **we are in need of your company!** Jesus, stand among us, in your risen power, let this time of worship, be a hallowed hour.

Hymn *I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry TFWS 2051*

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Please welcome Maverick Alton Burton into the Family of God

Hymn *Baptized in Water TFWS 2248*

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:28-32

New Testament Lesson: Acts 2:42-47

Message: The New Normal: “The Community Meal”

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Anthem ~ In Christ Alone

***Doxology**

Offertory Prayer

God of righteousness, God of mercy: We have been called through the apostles to live in reverent fear – not a fear that immobilizes, but a fear that empowers us because we know how much is at stake. We know there are implication for what we do and what we don’t do. Dedicate the gifts we give this

morning to do the things your heart longs for your church to do; help our eyes to be opened to where you would use us. We pray in the name of our risen savior, Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Hymn**

Come to the Table TFWS 2264

Prayer of Confession

O Jesus Christ, sometimes we are so busy talking with each other that we fail to find you beside us. We walk on, so focused on our questions that we do not create the silent spaces which would allow you to speak with us and enlighten our journeying.

Silent reflection

Stay with us, Jesus Christ. Reach out towards us and invite us to pause and meet with you, we pray. As we look at our lives and that of the world around us, we are sometimes too anxious to share our real questions or our doubts and fears. We keep them within us in troubled silence.

Silent reflection

Stay with us, Jesus Christ. Reach out towards us and invite us to pause and meet with you, we pray. We call your name, O Christ, and hope to discover you here in our community of vulnerable faith. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Whether we believe it, or not, Jesus Christ never leaves us nor forsakes us. Let us open our hearts to receive the grace which Christ brings to us in faithfulness. We are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Lord’s Prayer

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Gratitude

Risen Jesus, thank you for you joining us in our journeys, giving us yourself in bread and cup, and opening our awareness. We have seen, felt, and tasted your presence. Now send us forth in the power of the Spirit to carry your presence to all we go to see. Amen.

***Hymn**

How Great Thou Art UMH 77

Benediction and 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 – April 24, 2022
Attendance ~ 42 in-person; 30 via YouTube

Offerings ~ \$987.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$996.38
Plate ~ \$95.00 Discretionary ~ \$5.00
Sports Card Show ~ \$327.00 Rent ~ \$50.00
“Match-ed” Donation ~ \$2,134.00

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!!

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

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



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!

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
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, & Saturdays ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM
Please contact Elaine Brandt to volunteer at the Thrift Shoppe!

Volunteers needed for VBS! We will be teaming up with our friends from FR Presbyterian church for VBS in late July. Please contact Eric DeLa Cruz at 609-709-9713 if you can help!

Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
May 8 – Acts 4:32-35; Acts 2:42-47

Bible Study Opportunities

- ✚ Wednesday mornings at 9:00am.
- ✚ 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.

We are seeking donations of **soil, dirt, or mulch** to complete a project around the church building.
Please contact Michael Orlick if you can help!

Old Fashioned Tea ~ **Sunday, May 15 11:30am-1:30pm**

Donations of diapers are requested for Makers Place, Trenton. Proceeds to benefit “Barbara’s Place at American’s Keswick.”
Tickets: \$20pp. Reservations required.
Contact the LUMC Office to reserve your tickets!

United Methodist Women Events

- ✚ **Wed. May 11** – “Girl Talk” at Keswick. Meeting in the LUMC parking lot at 9:30am. \$12pp
- ✚ **Thurs. May 26** - 6PM location TBD.

Summer Sermon Series Please let the office know which book from the list below you would like to study together during Sunday Morning worship...

1. Gospel of Mark
2. Letter to the Romans
3. Proverbs (Book of Wisdom)
4. 2 Samuel (About David’s time as King)

Monthly Pastor’s Breakfast: Monday, 5/9 9:00 AM

at Lacey Perkins (Rt. 9, Forked River). Everyone is welcome to be part of the food, fellowship, and fun!

✚ **Summer Lunch Program for Lacey’s Kids** ✚

We are collecting **kid-friendly soup** and **mac& cheese** to be distributed to participants. Drop off to Judy Mihalkovitz on Sundays or to the LUMC Office during the week.
We’re also accepting donations of reusable shopping bags!

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

Contact Dominic 732.904.9945 or donnieg777@hotmail.com for info. Open to all children and youth, reading age and up.

