

<>< *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; Ronald Slate; 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 Carpini; 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; Daryl Simmons; 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; Patricia Potter; 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 McErean; 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; John Bleignier Family; Jilly K. Family; Ray MacPherson Family.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ Thanks be to God for answered prayer! For the birth of Reina Jovita Chen to parents Jarrett and Kyrsten Stapleton! For the birth of Elliana Rae to parents Evelyn & Luke Kern! For the birth of Jonathan Rock to parents Jeanette & Jeff Rudzonis!

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, Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia; Minnesota, Mississippi; 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

March 27, 2022



The Great Confession and the Transfiguration

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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*

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Prelude

Welcome

***Praise Song** **Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord**
Please stand, as you are able, in reverence and honor of God,
as the Light of Christ enters.

Call to Worship

We have seen the light of God; **on high mountains of celebration and in the ecstasy of a lover's embrace.**

We have seen the light of God; **through the bitter scorn of betrayal and the searing chasm of grief.**

We have seen the light of God; **with eyes that have been shaded, with eyes that have been opened, with eyes that have been blinded.** We have seen the light of God.

Young Disciples' Time

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: Mark 8:27-33

***Hymn** **Holy, Holy, Holy FWS 2007**

Gospel Lesson: Mark 9:2-9

Message: Follow Me:
“The Great Confession and the Transfiguration”

Anthem **Give Me Jesus**

Pastoral Prayer

Ministry of Giving and Prayer of Dedication

God of Transformation, we come together as those who have met you on the mountaintop. We have each had our holy encounters with you; and in those moments, we have wanted to stay on the mountain and retreat from the world. We know

that is our longing, not yours. So, as we offer our gifts this morning in response to your blessings in our life, remind us that our mission begins as we leave this place, and help us hold our memories of those mountaintop encounters with you in our hearts. We pray boldly in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Praise Song** **How Great is Our God**

Prayer of Confession

He came bathed in light, dazzling, radiant...

Forgive us, God, for accepting mediocrity in your name and calling it good enough.

He came appearing with Elijah and Moses...

Forgive us, God, for demanding exclusive expressions of faith even in the face of your expansive vision.

He came while a voice was shouting, "this is my Beloved; listen!"

Forgive us, God, for silencing the voice of the other struggling to praise your name.

(Time of Silent Confession and Reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

On mountaintops and in valleys, in our homes and in our hearts, God knows us better than we know ourselves, and God forgives us when we cannot forgive ourselves.

By God's mercy, we are forgiven; by God's mercy, we are made whole; by God's mercy, we are equipped to serve others.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Lord's Prayer

Prayer of Gratitude

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us.

Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Praise Song** **Majesty**

Benediction and Taking the Light of Christ into the World

***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.

Easter Flowers – Please see Laura McDonald after Worship or contact the LUMC Office to place your order!

FINANCIAL STATISTICS – March 20, 2022
Attendance ~ 41 in-person; 22 via YouTube

Offerings ~ \$740.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$1,096.85
Plate ~ \$4.00 Book Study ~ \$15.00 Drama Club ~ \$25.00
Lent Dinner Service 3/18 ~ \$29.00 Discretionary ~ \$285.00
“Match” Donation ~ \$246.00 UMCOR Advance ~ \$220.00
Memorial Donation for Music ~ \$200.00 Brick Pavers ~ \$200.00
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!

Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
Sunday, April 3 – John 11:17-44

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.

Lenten Events

Book Study – Sundays after worship service
Lenten Dinner Service – Fridays at 6:30 PM

Requests from our Worship Team...

1. Donations of artificial flowers/arrangements
 2. To borrow big (floor) pillows for Maundy Thursday service.
- Please contact Laura McDonald 609-276-0702 if you can help!

2022 Holy Week Services of Worship

April 10 – Palm Sunday Worship 9:00 AM
April 14 – Maundy Thursday 7:00 PM
April 15 – Good Friday Stations of the Cross Noon-3:00 PM
Good Friday Worship at FR Presbyterian,
131 Main Street, Forked River
April 17 – Easter Sunrise Service 6:30 AM at Lake Barnegat
Easter Sunday Worship 9:00 AM

Dessert and a Show!

Join us Saturday, April 9th for dessert and “Shell of Myself” performed by the LUMC Drama Club. Doors open at 6:30PM.
Tickets: \$10 adult / \$5 kids 12-yrs & under / \$25 limit per family
Contact the LUMC Office to purchase your tickets!

Car Show & Flea Market - Saturday, April 30th - 9AM-2PM

Food available to purchase!

Car Show: In honor of Manny “The Hat” Naia. Trophies/Music
Visit jerseyshorecarshows.com for an application.

Flea Market: \$10 a table. Space is limited.

Visit laceyumc.org for a flea market registration form.

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!

