

<>< *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; Kevin M.; Keith Gibbons; Christine Morgan; Joseph Ensinger; Michelle Reyes; Hudson Hendrixson; Jeff Merceron; Mrs. Nunez; Lois Pozsar; Patrick Jemas; Paul H.; Helen Wooley; Gary; Sally Potter; Gary; Levi Kern; Greg R.; Frank Huscha; Rich Rosfjord; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Sara Carpini; Ronnie Sadowski; Nancy & Rev. George Reid; Dorothy Cochran; 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; Sally & Don McErlean; Pat Grant; our whole Church Family.

For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss ~ Dashaun Witter Family; Phil DePasquale Family; Mandie Buron 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; 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 Travel Mercies ~ Dorothy, Rose, Becki, James, Heather

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 Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore; Guam, Midway Islands; 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

November 26, 2023



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

Ministers: All of Us Liturgist: Rich Rosfjord

Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Dominic Gregoria

Music Director: Dawn Slate Special Music: Betty Carhart

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!

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

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

Prelude

Welcome, and Announcements

***Hymn** *Count Your Blessings*

***Call to Worship**

Sing praises to God, O faithful ones.

Give thanks and proclaim God's holy name.

Weeping or joyful, mourning or dancing,

come as you are, for all are welcome here.

Open your hearts to healing, to life restored.

Let us worship God.

Young Disciples' Time

Prayer for Illumination

Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Holy Scriptures; and give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Epistle Lesson: Galatians 6:1-2, 7-10

Gospel Lesson: John 13:31-35

Message: The God Guarantee: "The Heart of Community"

***Hymn** *The Gift of Love* **UMH 408**

***Affirmation of Faith** **UMH 882**

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Anthem: Special Music offered by Betty Carhart

***Doxology** **UMH 95**

Prayer of Dedication

Generous God, source of all abundance, bless now these gifts, we pray. Receive this offering. Receive our very lives.

Fit us for humble, joyful ministry in your name. Amen.

Time of Commitment

Hymns *Take My Life* UMH 399; *Give Thanks* TFWS 2036

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession

Patient God, sometimes we are just too busy for our own good. We pledge ourselves to hectic schedules, demands on time, energy, and resources that erode all too quickly. We seem to be rushing through life. The cries of those in need often go unheeded in our blur of activities which sap our energy, our resources, our spirits. Slow us down a bit, Lord. Remind us again that we are responsible for the care of this world, for reaching out and offering your healing love. Help us to hear the words of patient love that you have for us. Remind us again of Jesus' words to his disciples when he told them that they should love one another as he loved them. May we take time to bear witness to that love in all that we do. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen

A Time of Silent Confession and Reflection

The 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

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs from under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us, amen.

The Reception

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.

***Hymn** *Standing on the Promises* **UMH 374**

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

Statistics November 19, 2023:

Attendance ~ 48 in-person; 22 via YouTube

The financial statistics for the week of November 19, 2023 will be included in next week's bulletin. We apologize for any inconvenience.

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



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

Items can be dropped off at the LUMC office during the week or after worship service on Sundays. Thank you!

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:

Tuesday ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM

Wednesday ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM

Thursday ~ 8:00AM – 4:00PM

Friday ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM

Saturday ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM

Extended Hours!!!

↪ The Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe is a vital mission of Lacey UMC.
Volunteers are needed to help extend the hours of operation.

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
December 3rd – Mark 13:24-37*

Join us TODAY following worship for brunch to celebrate how God has blessed us!

Upcoming Meetings

Trustees/Church Council: Nov. 27 beginning at 5:30PM

Lacey Christmas Parade ~ Sun. Dec 3rd at 3PM
Help is needed in preparing and serving hot chocolate/water and goodies to those marching in the parade.
Volunteers, please come at 1:00PM. THANK YOU!!!

Monthly Pastor's Breakfast: December 11th at 9:30 AM
at Lacey Perkins. Everyone is welcome!

**** Winter Lunch Program for Lacey's Kids ****

We are collecting **boxed potatoes** to be distributed to participants of our Lunch Program for Lacey's Kids. Drop off after worship or through the LUMC Office by December 12th!

Christmas at Lacey UMC

Thurs., Dec. 21st 7:00 PM – Blue Christmas Worship Service held at FR Presbyterian Church

Sunday, Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve Worship Services:

9 AM: Morning Worship

7 PM: Family Candlelight Service

10 PM: Traditional Candlelight Service

Trivia Night, Movie Night, and Caroling details to follow...

↪↪ Membership Class – January 2024!!! ↪↪

Please contact Pastor Jonathan at 845-893-9157 if you would like to join the LUMC family!

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!!



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Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe: Facebook

