

<>< *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; 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 Rosford; 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.; Michelle Reyes; 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; Vincent Mielnicki Family; Eugene Dow Family; Kim Hoffman Family; Rita Peters Family; Wright Family.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ For the birth of Levi Jared Kern to parents Luke & Evelyn Kern! 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 Canada; South Dakota, Tennessee; 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

October 29, 2023



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

Ministers: All of Us Liturgist: Judy Mihalkovitz

Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Dominic Gregoria

Music Director: Dawn Slate Special Music: Betty Carhart

Guest Music Director: Christine Urban

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 – CCL#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, Welcome, and Announcements

***Hymn** **Great Is Thy Faithfulness** **UMH 140**

***Call to Worship**

Come, rest your spirits in the Lord.

We come, hungering and thirsting for God's word.

This is a place of peace and hope, where all may be fed and healed.

Bring us to the time of healing. Come, place your trust in God who is always near you. **Open our hearts, Lord, to hear your word and feel your presence. Amen.**

Young Disciples' Time

Prayer for Illumination

Holy God, you said that no one can live by bread alone. You said that your word is all we need to enter the land of the living. Dear God, we ask that your word becomes the light to our paths. May it be the cloud and pillar of fire that shows us the way in this desert of life. Send your light to our souls for us to follow into your kingdom of heaven. Amen.

Psalter: Psalm 14 **UMH 746**

Gospel Lesson: John 6:1-13

Message: "Where will we buy feed for these people?"

***Hymn** **Move Me** **UMH 471**

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

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Anthem: Jesus, the Light of the World

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

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious Lord, you have lavished upon us the riches of your glory.

As Jesus fed the masses, providing enough for all with more than enough left over, so you have fed us and provided for us.

You shelter us, care for us, and bring us safely to each stop on our journey. As you have given to us out of your abundance, we return our offering to you with praise and thanksgiving.

In the name of the Savior, we pray. Amen.

Hymn **A Place at the Table** **W&S 3149**

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession

You know how we are, Lord. We say that we will take time to refresh our spirits and our souls and then we quickly crowd our lives with activities to the point of exhaustion. We turn to you for feeding and nurture, asking you to give us something to sustain us through our times. We even are willing to tell you what we have, but when we look closely, we discover that we bring so little to you. Take what we have, our gifts and our needs. Heal and forgive us when we boldly disobey your word. Remind us that you have given to us all that we need to serve you in this world. The world abounds with your miracles of love and hope. Open our eyes to see them and our hearts to know that these are from you and not of our own making. Heal and restore us to your everlasting love. In Jesus' Name, we pray. 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** **Pass It On** **UMH 572**

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

Financial statistics for the week of October 22, 2023 will be included in next week's bulletin. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Oct. 22 Attendance ~ 59 in-person; 21 via YouTube

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.

Upcoming Meetings

Fundraising: Monday, Nov. 13 at 6:00 PM
Trustees/Church Council: Nov. 27 beginning at 5:30PM

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
November 5 – Psalm 19 UMH 750; Mark 8:34-38*

Praise Team Practice – Wednesdays at 6:00PM

We are excited to announce Christine Urban will be leading our Praise Team in Dawn's absence. Interested in joining Praise Team? No prior experience necessary; all you need is a desire to sing! Please contact Christine at 609-693-6853 for more info.

Church Conference - Tues., Nov. 7 at 7:00 PM

The Conference will be virtual this year. Details to follow...

Car & Truck Show Saturday, November 11th 9AM – 2PM

Food | Music | Trophies | Vendors

Cars: \$15 Pre-Registration \$20 Day of Event

Visit laceyumc.org for more info and a registration form.

Volunteers are needed to help make the Car & Truck Show a huge success! Please speak to Dominic to sign-up.

Monthly Pastor's Breakfast: November 13th at 9:30 AM

at Lacey Perkins. Everyone is welcome!

HARVEST FEST ~ November 18th 9AM – 2PM

**BAKED GOODS | HOMEMADE SOUPS & CHILI |
PICS WITH SANTA | CRAFTS | VENDORS**

We are looking for volunteers to bake and prepare pies and goodies.

Baking date TBD. Watch this space for details.

Contact the LUMC Office 609.693.5222 for more information.

Thanksgiving Happenings

Sunday, Nov. 19 – Ecumenical Worship Service 7:00 PM
at FR Presbyterian Church, Route 9 Forked River

Nov. 23 – Thanksgiving Dinner - 1:00pm in Fellowship Hall

Nov. 25 – Hanging of the Greens. Help decorate the Sanctuary
for the Christmas season. Breakfast served at 8:30AM!!!

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

