

 *Lacey United Methodist Church*  
*May 17, 2026*

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

**For God's Healing & Discernment** ~ Bonnie MacPherson; Declan McDonald; Bill and Becky Buglione; Cyndie & Doug Hopkinson; MaryAnn Richter; Carole Jansen; Linda Becker; Tonilynn Gilanyi; Nancy & George Reid; Family B.; Jackie Swomiak; Tyler; Deb & Rick Waddell; Dale & Paul Stuckey; Wayne Kellstrom; Bill J. Romano; Mary Cicale; Peggy Rafuse; Chip & Bonnie Marshall; Laura & Tim McDonald; Robert Rockafellow; Joan McGavin; Lisa Smith; Sue Smith; Samantha Maida; Sue Bolanwski; Irene; Lorraine & Robert Soehl; Cynthia Pedemonti; Dave C.; Luke Denning; Jaden Maggio; Alease & Ken King; Sharon Callaghan; Tom C; Neil Barnett; Dan; Jaime; Susan Smith; Hannah Maloney; Eddie Grant; John R.; Phyllis Smith; Louis Potter; Dottie Connolly; Sheryl Lutgen; Lois Pozsar; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Andrea Almeida; Frank & Mary Timmerman; Peg Bea; Lorraine, Katrina & Peter Borchester; our whole Church Family.

**For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss** ~ Family of Stanley Przybylski; Family of Donna Craft; Family of Jean Holmberg; Family of Robert Cicale; Family of Linda Papetti; Family of Joe McGuiggan.

**Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer** ~ Thanks be to God for answered prayer!

**For Those Serving in the Military** ~ Peter Borchester; Jordyn Breur; 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 Cynthia Moore-Koikoi; DS Rev. Ronell Howard; Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

**World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas** ~ People of Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal; Nebraska, Nevada; Lacey Township Committee, Leaders & First Responders; Senators; Congressmen and leaders of our United States of America; Uniting of all American political parties; President Donald Trump & Vice President JD Vance; Gov. Sherrill; Praying an outpouring of God's spiritual renewal and healing of all the people of America.



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Head of the Church - Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God  
Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Helen Dela Cruz  
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Music Director: Matthew Holmberg  
Welcoming Team: Lori Osborn & Deb Waddell  
Head Ushers: Deb & Rick Waddell  
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**Lacey UMC is called to teach, serve, and love individuals so they will follow Jesus Christ and help us transform the world.**

**Teach. Serve. Love.**

*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 To God Be the Glory UMH 98*

**Sabbath Prayer**

Blessing Over the Candles

Blessing Over the Wine

Blessing of the Bread

**Young Disciples' Time**

**Prayer of Illumination**

Prepare to receive the Spirit. **When will it come?**

God alone appoints the time. **We are ready.**

Prepare to be clothed with power from on high. **We are ready.**

Look and wait for Christ with expectant hearts. **We are ready.**

Hebrew Scripture Lesson: Isaiah 56:3-8

Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:44-53

Message: Sabbath: "Resistance to Exclusivism"

*\*Hymn Be Still, My Soul UMH 534*

Affirmation of Faith UMH 886

**Announcements**

**The Prayers of the People**

**Offering**

*Anthem*

*\*Doxology UMH 95*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**O God, for your power and might, we praise you. For your love and mercy, we thank you. For giving us your Spirit and your every blessing, we honor you with our lives and gifts. Received from our hand the fruit of our industry, in ministry to a world in need of your glory. In the name of the one who ascended to heaven, that we might have fullness of life here on earth, we pray. Amen.**

**Communion Hymn**

**Eat This Bread**

**UMH 628**

**The Invitation**

This is the feast of God's goodness.

**Let us break bread together.**

This is the Sabbath of our souls.

**Let us share wine together.**

This is the promise of resurrection and life.

**Let us dine together as Christ's family.**

This is the gift of God's covenant people.

**Let us truly be the body of Christ.**

**Prayer of Confession**

**Merciful God, we yearn for the promise of your glorious inheritance, but settle for less. We long to see with the eyes of our hearts enlightened, that we might aspire to the glories of Christ above. Teach us anew to wait for your Holy Spirit, that we may be clothed with power on high. In the name of the one who ascended to heaven to show us the way to live here on earth, 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

The Reception

Prayer of Gratitude

*\*Hymn Shalom to You UMH 666*

Benediction

*\*Postlude*

Mission Statement: Lacey UMC is committed to creating inspiring worship, enriching teaching, and hands on service opportunities so that individuals become passionate followers of Jesus Christ.

### FINANCIAL STATISTICS

**Statistics for May 9:** Attendance ~ 45 in-person; 22 via YouTube  
Offerings: \$1,480.00 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,320.47 Plate: \$78.00  
NA/AA Rent: \$50.00 Summer Lunch Program: \$530.00 Baptism: \$100.00  
Discretionary: \$101.00 Joy of Angels Deposit: \$1,936.33

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.**

## WAYS TO GIVE



### ONLINE

Visit our website [laceyumc.org](http://laceyumc.org) or click the link below to set up electronic giving.



### IN PERSON

VIA TITHING  
ENVELOPE  
cash/check



### MOBILE GIVING

Donate to Lacey UMC by using the venmo app on your tablet or phone.

## Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

### Normal Hours of Operation:

Tuesday: 10:00AM – 4:00PM 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 work during the hours of operation. Contact Maddie Stapleton or Laura McDonald to learn more!!!**

### County Support Services at LUMC

**May 26<sup>th</sup> 10AM-1PM:** Board of Social Services will be in Fellowship Hall to provide info. about their services.

♪ ♪ **Praise Team Practice – Wednesdays at 5:30 PM** ♪ ♪  
No prior experience necessary...all you need is a desire to sing!

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for  
Sunday, May 24 – Amos 8:4-8; Acts 2:1-21*

### Preparing for the Sabbath – May 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, and 31<sup>st</sup>

Bring your questions and thoughts on the spiritual practice of Sabbath to the discussion in Fellowship Hall following worship.

### Opportunities to Grow in Faith

*Bible Study: Thurs. at 6:30PM - Connolly Center Conf. Room  
Please contact Pastor Jonathan for more info.*

**Women's Ministry** will have gather for dinner at 5:30PM on Wed., May 20<sup>th</sup> at IHOP, Forked River. Please contact Dawn Kuch for more info. at 732-232-7270.

☀ **Summer Lunch Program for Lacey's Kids** ☀  
We are collecting **individual fruit cups** this year! Volunteers are needed to deliver groceries on **July 11, July 25, Aug. 8 and Aug. 22!** Contact Judy or Sherry for more information!

### Upcoming Events

#### Bake Sale at the Lacey Farmers' Market:

May 22 | July 3 | Sept. 4

Volunteers needed to bake and staff our booth on sale dates!

#### Memorial Day Parade: May 25<sup>th</sup> 10AM

Volunteers: Please arrive by 8AM if you would like to help us share hospitality with the community!

#### Harbor Stage Theatre Company Presents

#### "Harbor Lights: Stories from the Edge of the Stage"

Saturday, May 30 at 7:30 PM & Sunday 5/31 at 2:00 PM

Visit [harborstagetheatre.com](http://harborstagetheatre.com) for more info.

#### Faith & Family Night at the Blue Claws: Thurs., August 27<sup>th</sup>

**\$19** includes game ticket, hotdog, soda, and ice cream  
Contact Joann in the LUMC Office to reserve your tickets!

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**Hope Chest Food Pantry:** Facebook

**Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe:** Facebook



