

LUMC'S COMMUNITY REVELATIONS

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Lacey United Methodist Church

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Ministers: All of Us

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Chimes Director: Bill Applegate

Facility Maintenance – Grounds: Mike Orlick

Trustee Chair: Bill Jones

Church Council Chair: Chip Marshall

Staff Parish Team Chair: Rose Coram

Children-Youth Education: Bonnie Marshall

Finance Chair: Steven Michalkowski

Head Counter: Becky Buglione

Thrift Shoppe: Elaine Brandt

Mission: Morris Maze

Outreach: Kenny Pitman

Worship: Dawn Marie Kuch

Hospitality Kitchen: Bill Buglione

Hot Lunch Mission: Roseann DePasquale
& Ed Weisbrot

Summer Lunch Mission: Ellen Larney
& Gail Matuska

WE WILL MISS YOU, PASTOR LINDA



At the Sunday Service on Memorial Day Weekend, Pastor Linda announced that she will be retiring to become a fulltime caregiver for her parents. While she will still be at our church for a year, it is very important that her 17 years at LUMC be remembered. I have only been a member at LUMC for 16 months, and in that short time, Pastor Linda has had a huge impact on my life. I can't imagine how the people who have been there longer feel about her. Unbelievably, I also just recently found out that my pastor (Pastor Mark Ale) from my previous church, the First United Methodist of Oakhurst, is also retiring. I also had a very good relationship with Pastor Ale and his family. I wish him the best on his move to Florida.

Just as with Pastor Ale, I wish Pastor Linda and Bill Applegate nothing but the very best for their future. I have never experienced a pastor that has been involved so much with the community as PL was. It wasn't just her involvement but her passion for the different missions as well. I remember telling PL that the first time I attended a Sunday Service as a visitor, before Lori and I moved to Forked River, that I thought she was too happy and upbeat. After getting to know her, I wouldn't want her to be any other way. I realize that she still has plenty of time before her retirement commences, therefore, I would like anyone who feels inspired to send loving or funny stories about Pastor Linda to donnieg777@hotmail.com to be published in

this newsletter as a tribute to this very special individual.

God Bless,

Dominic Gregoria

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Thursday, June 13 at 6:15PM at America's Keswick (\$12 per person)

Guest Speaker: Pastor Willy Winborne of Nineteenth Street Baptist Church in Philadelphia



GIRL'S NIGHT OUT

Wednesday, June 5 @ 6PM: Applebee's; A Night Of No Cooking!

Contact Cindy Kuch @ (732) 600-2619 for info or to have a seat saved!



FUTURE EVENT: PET FAIR

Saturday, November 16: 10AM – 3PM

Animal care products & services / Demos / Blessing of the pets

Email laceyumcnj@gmail.com for vendor applications.

Registration cost is \$35 for a 6ft. table if application is received or postmarked by November 1.



FREE NARCAN TRAINING

Tuesday, June 25 (6PM – 8PM) at the Xodus Recovery Community Center

Free information and training session about this life-saving antidote

Free kits available // Pre-registration is required

Contact Donna at (732) 425-7938 to register



BIBLE VERSE FOR FATHER'S DAY

Deuteronomy 6: 5 – 9: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.”

VBS IS “GOING FRUITY WITH TOY STORY”



From Monday, June 17, until Friday, June 21, LUMC will be presenting Vacation Bible School every night from 5:30PM until 7:30PM, with a 5PM dinner being offered before each evening commences. This is a free event for children grades K thru 5th. Pre-K children can attend if a parent attends the event with them.

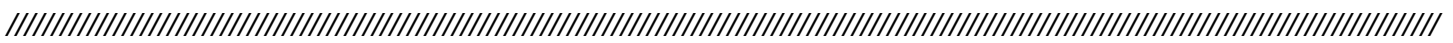
This year’s theme is “Going Fruity with Toy Story.” This theme refers to the fruits of the spirit as expressed in Galatians 5: 22 – 23, 25. This passage states “But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,

goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law...Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit”

The timing is perfect for the “Toy Story” theme, as the fourth installment of this movie franchise is set to be released in theaters on June 21. It’s hard to believe that Toy Story 3” was released 9 years ago. “Toy Story 4” was actually delayed a few times, as the initial release date was set for June 16, 2017. This date ended up going to “Cars 3.” Then when “Toy Story 4” wasn’t ready for release last year, Pixar / Walt Disney Pictures gave us “Incredibles 2.” Woody, Buzz Lightyear, Bo Peep, Mr. and Mrs. Potato Head and the other regular cast of characters will be introduced to a new toy this year, a plastic piece of cutlery named Forky.

The week will be filled with activities, crafts and song. While pre-registration is not required, it would be appreciated. Vacation Bible School is open to the entire community, not just members of our congregation. To pre-register, or to just find out more information about Vacation Bible School, contact the church office at (609) 693 – 5222.

Dominic Gregoria



STILL SEEKING YOUNG ACTING STUDENTS



I would now like to get more serious in my quest to establish an acting workshop for the children of LUMC. This is why I am mentioning it again in this newsletter. If I have spoken to you personally and you expressed interest, I would like a parent of the interested child to email me at donnieg777@hotmail.com and inform me of the child’s interest with your contact info. If there is a large enough response, I will bring this info to PL and we will see if we can make this activity a reality.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, this would be a real acting class that would mesh Christian themes into the lessons. God has given our youth many different talents and this would be an avenue to nurture some of that talent.

Dominic Gregoria

*“All I know,
He’s at
work and
He’s
working on
me, He’s
working on
me.”*

David Crowder

BELL ENCLOSURE BEGUN



Construction on The Bell Enclosure has been started. As you read this, orders are currently being filled for personalized bricks for The Walk Way which will embellish the area around the new Bell Enclosure, the flag pole and the Church sign.

4" x 8" bricks allow for 3 lines with 18 characters on each line (including spaces). These are \$50 per brick. 8" x 8" bricks allow for 6 lines with the same amount of characters per line as the smaller bricks. These are \$100 per brick. Order forms can be found during Sunday service or at the church office. For more information, see Elaine Brandt or Kerri D'Autorio after Sunday service.

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*****Please pray for Helen, Eric, Gina
and their family and friends as Dr.
Caesar Dela Cruz has passed on to a
better place.*****

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