

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Covid sufferers & Care Givers; Virginia Schoeneberg; Will Cotton; Dawn Slate; Carole Exel; Karen; Tom & Mary; Terry H.; Peg Bea; Davette & Leslie Bivins; Lizzie Britton; Linda & John Ansbach; Saccal Family; Evelyn Handchen; Patricia Potter; Michael Potter; Sara Carpini; Joseph; Rosalie Mulvaney; 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; Ray MacPherson; Larry Radomski; Barkley Family; Mihalkovitz/Przybylski Families; Marjorie Moore; Bev Krott; Charles Cometa Jr.; Peggy LaPorta; Sandi Smith; 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 Hults; Bill & Becky Buglione; Melody Pryor-Tasco; Lorraine, Katrina & Peter Borchester; Sally & Don McErlean; 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; Mary Rose K Family; Peg Cotton Family; Ann Taylor Family; Phillip Schoenberger/Buglione Family; Patrick Callaghan Family; Debby Nugent Family; Dee Cala Family; Robert Bea Family.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ Thanks be to God for answered prayer! For the birth of James Frederick Stapleton! Birth of Stormi Witty!

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 Dr. Gina Hendrickson; all Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas ~ People of East Timor, Indonesia, Philippines; Texas, Utah; 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 21, 2021

Enough

Defined by Generosity

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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*

Prelude

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Happy are we who hear the joyful call to worship,

People: for we walk in the light of God's presence!

Leader: Let us worship God together,

People: for we walk in the light of God's presence!

Leader: Come and celebrate who God is and all that God has done,

People: for we walk in the light of God's presence!

Leader: God is our strength and our protection, the One in whom we trust.

People: Come, let us worship as we walk in the light of God's presence.

Young Disciples' Time: *Blessing of the Boxes of Plenty*

***Praise Song**

Sing, Sing, Sing

Prayer for Illumination

Since we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth, make us hunger for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 25:31-40

Message: Enough: "Defined by Generosity"

***Hymn**

Here I Am Lord #593

Pastoral Prayer

Time of Commitment

Please take this time to pray about and complete your Commitment Card

***Hymn**

I Surrender All UMH #354

Ministry of Giving and Prayer of Dedication:

Oh Lord, giver of life and source of our freedom, we are reminded that yours is "the earth in its fullness; the world and those who dwell in it." We know that it is from your hand that we have received all we have and are and will be.

Gracious and loving God, we understand that you call us to be the stewards of your abundance, the caretakers of all you

have entrusted to us. Help us always to use your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Christ in our lives. We pray this with grateful hearts in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Hymn**

A Place at the Table W&S #3149

Prayer of Confession

We confess that in our lives we often hide behind our work and play, schools and jobs, fun and fashion. We let ourselves get so busy that we forget the cause of the poor and the suffering. We confess we allow the powers of this world to seduce us into selfishness and silence our witness. Teach us to champion the cause for justice for all, strengthen us to love our neighbor and speak truth no matter the penalty. Amen.

(Time of Silent Confession and Reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

The Word of God assures us that we are able to love through the Spirit of Christ. Let us go from this place with authority, knowing that God's Word gives us strength to love our neighbors near and far and power to speak up for those who are broken.

Thanks to the Word of God!

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Lord's Prayer

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Gratitude

God of all, we give you thanks and praise that, when we were still far off, you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us so we and all your children shall be free and the whole earth live to praise your name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Praise Song**

King of My Heart

Benediction

***Postlude**

Count Your Blessings

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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.

Holy Grounds Coffee Hour Volunteers are needed to MISSION! Please see Pastor Jonathan if you can help us!

FINANCIAL STATISTICS – November 14, 2021

Attendance ~ 52 in-person; 22 via YouTube

Envelope Offerings ~ \$1,525.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$729.23

Plate ~ \$10.00 In Memory ~ \$25.00 Media Upgrade ~ \$500.00

Book Study ~ \$38.00 Bayshore Fellowship Rent ~ \$1,323.08

Baptism ~ \$200.00 Discretionary Fund ~ \$226.00

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!!

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



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>

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!

Calling All children & Youth

Sunday School: All are welcome! (K-12th Grade)

Confirmation Class: Forming soon. (5th Grade and older)

Drama Club: Tuesdays 5pm-6:30pm (Reading Age and older)

Youth Group: Fridays 6:30PM (5th Grade and older)

*The flowers that grace our Altar today are given in Glory to God;
And in memory of my sister, Joan Varley, who passed away on
May 1, 2009. Her faith in God was strong right to the end.*

Love, Lorraine

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
November 28 – Matthew 13:54-56*

Hanging of the Greens - November 27th 8am – 12pm

Our yearly tradition of decorating the Sanctuary for the Christmas season. Breakfast will be provided! All are welcome!!!

TODAY - OC Health Department Vaccine Clinic 10am-12pm

Thanksgiving Week

TONIGHT!! – Interfaith Worship Service 7:00 PM at LUMC

Monday, Nov. 22 – Fall Lacey Farmers' Market

Thurs. Nov. 25 – Thanksgiving Dinner 1:00pm in Fellowship Hall.

Please contact the LUMC office 609.693.5222 to RSVP.

Upcoming Church-Wide Discussion

Monday, Nov. 22nd at 6:30pm: Beth Caulfield will be discussing the work of the Wesleyan Covenant Association and the coming Global Methodist Church.

All church members are welcome. Discussions will be held in the Sanctuary and streamed on our YouTube channel.

Lacey Christmas Parade ~ Sun. Dec 5th 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!!!

Christmas Happenings at LUMC

Dec. 8 6:30PM – Holiday Movie Night featuring "Elf"

Dec. 17 6:30PM – Intergenerational Carol Singing

Dec. 22 6:30 PM – Blue Christmas Worship Service

Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

Hours of Operation: Thursdays ~ 8:00AM – 11:00AM

Fridays & Saturdays ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM

⇒ Volunteers are needed to extend hours/days of operation. ⇐

Please contact Elaine Brandt to learn how you can help!

