

<>< *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; Dawn McLeod; Melissa; Dave C.; Jeni & Ron H.; Quinn; Harper & Rachel; Freddy; Gail Matuska; Tony Daleo; Rev. Wade Jackson; Bruce Halliday; Kevin; Rhoda & Steve; Amy Russell; Brian; Ashley; Carole Reppert; Aiden & Ariel Edgecomb; Gwen Lewis; Aubrey; Betty Carhart; Rosalie Mulvaney; Kay Laux; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Daniel Huyler; Isabella; Ronald & Marilyn Slate; Pamela Sutherland; Michael Niejako; Frank & Mary Timmerman; Cynthia Pedemonti; Andrea Schenker; Helen DeLa Cruz; Alicia; Dave H.; Peg Bea; Jonathan Rock; Kyle; Shannon Callaghan; Rachel C.; Louise; Pete & Kathy Jensen; Virginia Schoeneberg; George Reid; Will Cotton; Dawn Slate; Carole Exel; Karen; Tom & Mary; Davette & Leslie Bivins; Linda & John Ansbach; Patricia Potter; Michael Potter; Sara Carpini; Joseph; Ed & Monique Wojciechowski; Emmett & Gloria Bivins; Brittney; Diane Collins; Rick & Ashleigh Handchen; Marousis Family; George & Adrienne Melnyk; Ike & Joan Icenhower; Susan Schlotter; Dee & Paul Burrowes; Colleen Brandt; Barkley Family; Joan McGavin; Cindy Dreher; Nancy Dean; Allyson Cotton; Lisa Burger; Sally & Trevor Potter; Tommy Britton; Dawn Marie & Stash Kuch; Kyle Kuch; Phyllis Smith; Bill Jones; Sue & Rich Newman; Bill Hulst; 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; Kay Johnsen Family; Sheila Forney Family; Amy Haas Family; Betty Ann Britton Family; Patrick Sisbarro Family; Ed Johnson 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; 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; 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; 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. Héctor A. Burgos; 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; Florida, Georgia; 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 20, 2022



“Don't Worry About a Thing”

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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*

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Hymn** **Sanctuary** **TFWS 2164**

Call to Worship

Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns and yet God provides for the basic sustenance of life.

May our hearts be open to trust you. Look at the birds of the air; they neither study nor plan nor plot their course and yet God writes the instinct for migration into their hearts. **May our eyes be open to see you.** Look at the birds of the air; they neither talk nor vote nor debate their responsibility yet God weaves them into communities which nurture and defend.

May our hands be open to serve you.

Young Disciple's Message

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 6:25-34

Message: Treasure Hunt: "Don't Worry About a Thing"

***Hymn** **Oh Jesus, I Have Promised** **UMH 396**

Affirmation of Faith **UMH 886**

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Anthem ~ All Good Gifts from "Godspell"

***Doxology**

Prayer of Dedication

Holy giver of all good blessings, we find ourselves under a debt we can never overcome. Every blessing we have received or hope to receive comes from your generosity. The gifts we bring to you this morning pale in comparison to the bottom line of our

ledger. Yet you manage your kingdom on a different economic model – one where the equity is grace, forgiveness, compassion, mercy, and justice. You encourage us to be shrewd in the world's money, knowing it is not the currency that matters in the end. And so, we pray in the name of Jesus, whose life and death paid our debt. Amen.

Praise Song

Only by Grace

Prayer of Confession

O God, we want to have our cake and eat it, too:

we want to be a friend of the world and still be your friend.

Yet, Jesus taught us: "No one can serve two masters."

Give us strength and courage to get our priorities straight:

help us to seek your kingdom first. Help us to live faithfully

and joyfully in the world, and to be friends with the people

you call us to serve. Help us also to remember that our best

relationship is the one we have with you,

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

"The wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy". In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, and we are given a new way to live. Let us accept God's grace, and live new lives of faith, obedience, and joy. **Amen.**

Passing of the Peace

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread and The Sharing of the Cup

Prayer of Gratitude

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Praise Song**

All My Hope is in Jesus

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

Our projected weekly need to meet ministry obligations is \$5,120.00. Statistics for the week of November 6, 2022:

Attendance ~ 38 in-person; 20 via YouTube

Offerings ~ \$1,155.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$1,297.52 Plate ~ \$15.00
BayShore Fellowship Rent ~ \$1,311.27 TD Bank Program ~ \$120.35
Harvest Fest ~ \$700.00 Hall Refund ~ \$200.00 Discretionary ~ \$141.00

General Fund Total: \$4,799.14

Statistics for the week of November 13, 2022:

Attendance ~ 33 in-person; 26 via YouTube

Offerings ~ \$810.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$979.99
Plate ~ \$35.00 Discretionary ~ \$5.00

General Fund Total: \$1,824.99

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



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!

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>

Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

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

Tues., Wed., Fridays, & Sat. ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM

☛ The Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe is a vital mission of Lacey UMC.

Volunteers are needed to help extend the hours of operation.

Please contact Elaine Brandt to volunteer!

We are collecting **warm 80% wool content socks** for soldiers in the Ukraine. Socks can be dropped off to the LUMC office or you are welcome to make a donation towards the purchase of socks. Please contact Monika Sisbarro at 732-503-0363 for more info!

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
November 27 – Isaiah 9:2-7; John 8:12*

Bible Study Opportunities

✚ Wednesday morning Bible Study will return soon!

✚ Wednesday evenings at 6:15pm at the home of Donna Jones.
Please contact Donna at 609-276-7383 for more information.

✚ Thursday evenings at 6:45pm.

✚ Disciple Bible Study – starting in January!

Children/Youth Events

⇒ **Sunday School** following the Young Disciples Message

⇒ **Drama Club** Wednesdays 5:00-6:30PM

Christmas Cantata Sunday, December 11th 4:00PM
at FR Presbyterian Church

Favorite carols and Christmas classics performed by FRPC & LUMC Choirs. Freewill donation | Full Reception to follow!

Bake Sale at the FALL Lacey Farmers' Market

When: Monday, November 21

Please contact Maddie at 609-501-4207 to sign-up as a baker and/or booth volunteer. Thank you!!!

Thanksgiving Happenings

Sunday, Nov. 20 – Ecumenical Worship Service 7:00 PM

Monday, Nov. 21 – Fall Lacey Farmers' Market

Nov. 24 – Thanksgiving Dinner - 1:00pm in Fellowship Hall

Nov. 26 – Hanging of the Greens. Help decorate the Sanctuary for the Christmas season. 8AM-? Breakfast provided!!!

Worship at Spring Oak Assisted Living – Nov. 27th at 1:30PM

We will be worshipping with the residents of Spring Oak at 1:30PM.

Please meet in the LUMC parking lot at 1:15pm. Masks required.

Lacey Christmas Parade ~ Sun. Dec 4th 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!!!

Shoe Drive Fundraiser coming to LUMC!

We are collecting your new or gently used pairs of shoes.

Shoes can be dropped off to the LUMC Office during the week!

“Light of the World” Advent book study is now forming!

Please contact Pastor Jonathan if you would like to participate.

