

**For God's Healing & Discernment** ~ Covid sufferers & Care Givers; 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; Michelle Reyes; Pete & Kathy Jensen; Virginia Schoeneberg; George Reid; Will Cotton; Dawn Slate; Carole Exel; Karen; Tom & Mary; Terry H.; Davette & Leslie Bivins; Lizzie Britton; Linda & John Ansbach; Patricia Potter; Michael Potter; Sara Carpin; 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 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; Betty Ann Britton Family; Patrick Sisbarro Family; Ed Johnson Family; Harry Newman Family; Evelyn Handchen Family; Bill Williams Family; Guy Burnett Family; Bill Krott Family; Thomas Helle 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.

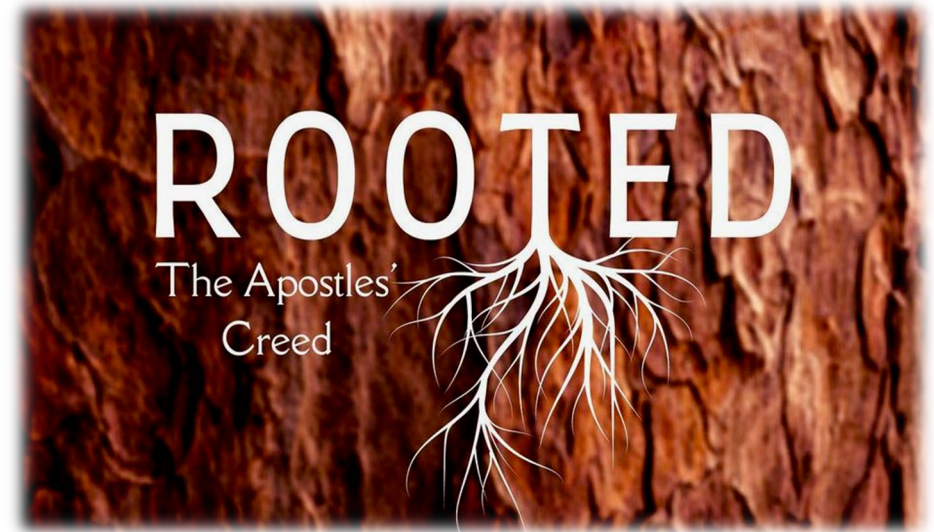
**For Greater NJ Annual Conference** ~ Bishop John & Beverly Schol; DS Rev. Héctor A. Burgos; all Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

**World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas** ~ People of Ukraine, Republic of Congo, Gabon, Sao Tome and Principe; Prayer for God's will to be done on Earth; 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

September 25, 2022



“I Believe in Jesus Christ”

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

Ministers: All of Us Liturgist: Rich Rosfjord

Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Dominic Gregoria

Music Director: Dawn Slate Welcoming Team: Lori Osborn & Deb Waddell

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*

*All Music Used with Permission – CCLI#2274807*

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Hymn**            ***Come Thou Almighty King***            ***UMH 61***

## **Call to Worship**

Come, let us bow before the holy One.

**Come, let us confess God's might.**

Come, let us feel God's mercy.

**Come, let us live in God's light.**

As God's people, we lift our voices in praise.

**Glory to you, gracious and loving God!**

## **Young Disciple's Message**

### **Prayer for Illumination**

Enduring Presence,

goal and guide, you go before and await our coming.

Only our thirst compels us beyond complaint to conversation,  
beyond rejection to relationship. Pour your love into our hearts,  
that, refreshed and renewed, we may invite others to the living  
water given to us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Epistle Lesson: Philippians 2:6-8**

## **Gospel Lesson: John 1:1-5, 14**

## **Message: "I Believe in Jesus Christ"**

**\*Praise Song**            ***He Is Lord***

**The Apostles' Creed**            ***UMH 881***

## **Pastoral Prayer**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

## **Offering**

***Anthem ~ Be Still***

## **\*Doxology**

### **Prayer of Dedication**

God of this day and all days! We can only imagine the darkness of the world into which you sent your son – a world that believed that salvation rested on our ability to follow the rules. Jesus came to bring light into that darkness, and into our darkness. As we bring our tithes and offering to you this day, transform them into light for the hungry, for the hopeless, for the forgotten and the oppressed. We will share his light in us! In Christ, we pray. Amen.

**\*Hymn**            ***Jesus, Name Above All Names***            ***TFWS 2071***

### **Prayer of Confession**

God of patience,

your people grow weary. We complain and question.

We put you to the test. Our mouths say yes, but our deeds say no.

When we wander off your path, when we fail to follow through on our good intentions,

when we give our attention to trivial things; gently call us back to you.

**Empty our hearts of anger and pride. Empty our souls of greed and selfishness. Empty our minds of envy, doubt, and mistrust.**

**As you poured out your very self through your beloved Son, pour your Spirit into our hearts today.**

**Forgive us our wrongdoing. Reclaim us with your love.**

### ***Silent Reflection***

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Friends in Christ,

our God is patient, steadfast, and understanding.

Christ hears our cries of repentance. The Lord knows our hearts, inside and out. The One who created us promises to care for us, even when we turn away. Hear these words of forgiveness. Be strengthened to walk as disciples. Trust in God's mercy. **Amen.**

**\*Hymn**            ***Lord of the Dance (Vs. 1 & Chorus)***            ***UMH 261***

### ***Benediction***

### **\*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 September 18, 2022**

**Attendance ~ 38 in-person; 21 via YouTube**

Offerings ~ \$1,765.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$1,171.99

Plate ~ \$288.00 Bounty of the Bay ~ \$955.00 Discretionary ~ \$259.00

**General Fund Total: \$3,224.99**

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](http://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!

### *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!

### **Upcoming Events for Children/Youth**

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

⇒ **Drama Club** will be returning on Wednesdays 5:00-6:30PM

⇒ **Ignite Youth Conference** in Wildwood Sept 30-Oct. 2

### **Membership class happening this Fall at LUMC!**

Please contact Pastor Jonathan at 845-893-9157 if you would like to join the LUMC family!

### **Worship at Spring Oak Assisted Living - TODAY 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.

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for  
October 2 – Acts 2:1-4; John 14:15-17, 25-26*

### *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.

### **Special Church Conference Sessions on October 15 & October 22 at 3:30PM**

At the first special church conference on October 15, 2022 at 3:30PM, there will be a vote taken to determine if we move forward in the discernment process and proceed with the second special church conference now scheduled for October 22, 2022 at 3:30PM. Please make every effort to be at the October 15th special church conference to learn more about the discernment and disaffiliation process and to place your vote. The vote is open to LUMC members only. Please contact Pastor Jonathan for more information.

### **Car Show & Flea Market Saturday, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> 9AM – 2PM**

Food available for purchase. Rummage tables.

Vendor space available. Contact the office for more details!

On Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> there will be a Church Council meeting immediately after worship to discuss a proposal from the Nominations Team that will come before Charge Conference. **NO VOTE WILL BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING.** It is for informational purposes only.

### **Central District Charge Conference – Wed., Oct 12 at 7:30 PM**

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

### **BOUNTY OF THE BAY Tuesday Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm-8:30pm**

Appetizers, Entrees and Desserts from local restaurants.

\$25 Adults / \$8 children 10 yrs. and under Silent Auction!

### **Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> - Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" Fundraiser**

Purchase a 25% off coupon from LUMC for only \$5!!!

Contact the LUMC Office or see Dawn Slate after worship!

### **HARVEST FEST ~ November 19 9AM – 2PM**

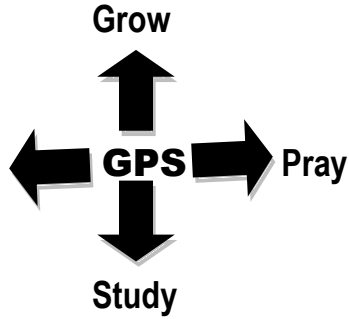
**BAKED GOODS | HOMEMADE SOUPS & CHILI |**

**PICS WITH SANTA | CRAFTS | VENDORS | RUMMAGE SALE**

Contact the LUMC Office 609.693.5222 for more information.

**Shoe Drive Fundraiser coming to LUMC!** Start saving your new or gently used pairs of shoes. Details to follow...

**Week of 9/26**



**Monday- Luke 1: 26-38**

Christians, throughout our history, have honored Mary for her faith. What have you learned from her example?

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**Tuesday- Philippians 2:6-11**

Read each verse of the hymn and ask yourself what it means to you?

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**Wednesday- John 1:1-5, 14**

What do you John is trying to teach his reader by calling God the “Word of God”?

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**Thursday- 1 Corinthians 15:3-6**

Why is the Resurrection essential to understanding the story of Jesus?

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**Friday- Matthew 1:21**

What does it mean to you, to call Jesus your savior?

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**Saturday- Colossians 1:15-20**

How does Christ continue to bring reconciliation and peace?

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