LUMC'S COMMUNITY REVELATIONS

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BIBLE VERSE ON UNITY

1 Peter 3: 8 - 12: "..... Finally, all of you be of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, be tenderhearted, be courteous; not returning evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing, knowing that you were called to this, that you may inherit a blessing. For



He who would love life And see good days,

Let him refrain his tongue from evil,

And his lips from speaking deceit.

Let him turn away from evil and do good;

Let him seek peace and pursue it.

For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,

And His ears are open to their prayers;

But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."

SERVICES MOVED TO YOUTUBE

You can now watch Sunday Service by clicking on https://youtube.com/channel/UC9ShWURuTPdbtQbihxNelvA
As of Sunday, August 15th, we will be broadcasting Worship Service exclusively on our YouTube channel: Lacey United Methodist Church. Until then, you can still view our Worship Services via our Facebook page.

UNITED METHODIST MEN

The United Methodist Men will be meeting for a breakfast on Saturday, August 21st, at 6:30am in Fellowship Hall. Kitchen volunteers would be appreciated! All men are invited! Contact Pastor Jonathan at (845) 893-9157 or pastorjcampbell@hotmail.com for further information.

SHOE DRIVE MAKES GOAL



The Shoe Drive is officially over! To ensure a maximum donation to the church, which has yet to be calculated, we needed to fill 100 bags of 25 pairs of shoes. As of this publication, we have more than exceeded that goal with 125 bags of shoes. However, the count is not finished due to drop-off locations still being needed to be closed out. Lori Osborn has been speaking with a representative from the Funds2orgs group weekly, while updating them with our progress.

A big thank you goes out to all of the drop-off locations which included The Joy Of Angels Thrift Shoppe, the LUMC Office, Lacey Recreation, Retro Fitness, Jersey Charm Coffee, OTA Car Care, Chiropractor Sheryl Altieri and Gladiator Gym. When it was announced that we were 180 pairs away from our goal, Leslie Weishaar set up a table outside the

church for a few days and flagged down cars. On her last day working with the shoes, Sally Potter joined her as they worked a marathon day collecting shoes. Dawn Kuch provided signs and even assisted with banding shoes together. Elaine Brandt, Fred and Monika Sisbarro also sprung into action and increased their collection efforts.

Kudos should also be given to those who sweated in the Connolly building assisting with the wrapping and banding of the shoes including Lori Osborn, Debbie Waddell, Gail Matuska, Dawn Kuch and Diane Collins. Others also came in to help and all of their work was appreciated!



MONTHLY PASTOR'S BREAKFAST

Please join Pastor Jonathan for breakfast on Monday, August 2nd, at Perkins (113 S. Main Street in Forked River) at 9am. Everyone is welcome to be part of the Food, Fellowship and Fun!

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The United Methodist Women will be holding their next meeting on Thursday, August 26th, at 6pm in the Lacey UMC Prayer Garden. Please contact Monique Wojciechowski or the LUMC Office at (609) 693-5222 for more info.

FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 12:00pm until 2:00pm. No advance registration is required. We have been offering eggs, butter, shelf milk, canned goods, pasta, rice, cold cereal and meat, among many other items. If you are lucky, you may arrive when we have a variety of baked goods and snacks. We are located in the garage behind the Thrift Shoppe.

FREE MEAL DISTRIBUTION

Free meals are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:00pm for those who register by calling the LUMC Office at (609) 693-5222 to ensure that we have the proper number of meals needed for your family.

LACEY'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY PARADE

On Thursday, August 5th, Lacey Township will be hosting their 150th Anniversary Parade at 6:30pm. The parade will begin at the Town Hall and travel to Gille Park, 102 Manchester Avenue. We will have a small float highlighting LUMC's history. We will also be handing out water bottles, with invites attached for the LUMC Sponsored Community Picnic in September. This Sunday, August 1st, is the last chance for volunteers to sign up. Also, donations of water bottles are appreciated. Please contact Laura McDonald or Donna Jones to join the parade or volunteer. There will be various activities taking place after the parade.

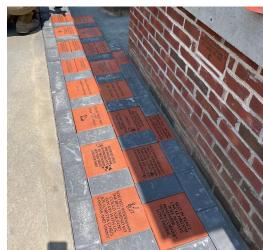
LUMC SPONSORED COMMUNITY PICNIC

On Sunday, September 12th, LUMC will be sponsoring a community picnic at the Forked River Fire Department Gazebo at 12pm. Volunteers are needed for set-up and clean-up, activities and manning the grill! Laura McDonald was hoping to have most of the volunteers signed up by this Sunday, August 1st. We are planning to offer games, live music and food! There will be a Blessing of our Town and prayers of Thanksgiving for God's Blessings and Guidance throughout the past 150 years and prayers for His continued Blessings. Please contact Donna Jones, Laura McDonald or Elaine Brandt to volunteer or for more information.



BRICK PAVER PROJECT

The first round of the Commemorative Brick Paver Project was installed on Wednesday, July 28th.



NEW ADDITION TO DRAMA CLUB

The Drama Club would like to welcome its newest member to the fold, Khallen Rodriguez. In addition, Sharon Celeste will be taking a future Safe Sanctuary course, as she has agreed to be a substitute assistant with the Drama Club. She is Aaron's mom. The Drama Club meets every Tuesday in Fellowship Hall between 5:00pm and 6:30pm. Contact Dominic at (732) 904-9945 or donnieg777@hotmail.com if you feel that you are raising a future star of stage and screen.

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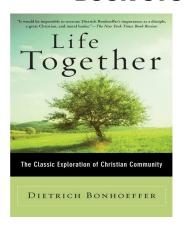
HOURS OF OPERATION: Thursdays: 8:00am - 11:00am

Fridays & Saturdays: 10:00am - 1:00pm

*Volunteers are needed to extend hours and days of operation. Please contact Elaine Brandt or the LUMC Office at (609) 693-5222 to learn how you can support this vital mission of LUMC!

JESUS CULTURE

BOOK STUDY OPPORTUNITY



Please join Pastor Jonathan for a six-week study of this classic reflection on building a strong Christian community. Each study group will be limited to 10 people and meet at Pastor Jonathan's home. The first study group will begin in September. If you are interested or have questions, contact the LUMC Office at (609) 693-5222.

Join us for "Outside Fellowship" after Sunday Services. Please bring your own chair!

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