

LUMC'S COMMUNITY REVELATIONS

September 2018

Lacey United Methodist
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PRAYING FOR EVERYONE'S SAFETY

Active Shooter Training

ALICE

Alert - Lockdown - Inform - Counter - Evacuate
K-12 | Business | Government | Hospitals
Places of Worship | Universities

Let's say a prayer for the family and friends of Elijah Clayton and Taylor Robertson. Both were recently killed at an e-sports gaming tournament when a gunman, who happened to be participating in the event, open fired injuring 10 participants and killing 2. For those who were watching the livestream on Twitch, the gunshots were alarmingly heard. Unfortunately, incidents like this are becoming more and more common. Schools, concerts, movie theatres and churches have been some of the targets.

The above incident happened in Jacksonville, Florida, on a Sunday. The FBI has been reported to have stated that 50% of all active shooter incidents have occurred on Sundays according to various active shooter websites.

Our ushers recently went through an active shooter training at LUMC. This seminar was based on the ALICE Training Program. ALICE stands for alert, lockdown, inform, counter and evacuate. Alert is basically recognizing that some sort of danger is present. Lockdown relates to barricading yourself and others in a room only if evacuation is not a safe option. Inform is referring to using the tools available to provide real time information to others about the situation currently existing. Counter does not mean confronting the gunman, but rather creating some kind of distraction that could hinder the accuracy of the gunman's aim. Don't be afraid to throw a hymnal! Evacuate is exactly what it sounds like. Feel free to ask the ushers what they learned at the training. Most of all, don't be a hero and stay safe. We need to pray for those lost souls that feel the need to bring harm to others.

God Bless,

Dominic Gregoria

Worship Service: 9:00 am – 10:15am

Sunday School: Children gather in the Sanctuary at 9:00am.

After the Children's Message, the children leave to go to Sunday School (9:15am – 10:15am).

Holy Grounds Coffee Hour – every Sunday after Worship / All are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, September 9

12PM – 3PM: CHURCH PICNIC; location: Forked River Fire House Pavilion; bring your favorite side dish or dessert; invite a friend or family member.

Saturday, September 22

3PM- 6PM: “GOING, GOING, GONE” LIVE AUCTION; \$5: entry, auction paddle, sandwich / \$3: entry, auction paddle / \$1: entry only; sponsored by Joy Of Angels Thrift Shoppe; proceeds benefit LUMC and VETWORK.

YOUTH GROUP EVENTS

Sunday, September 9

9:15AM – 10:15AM: J.A.M. (Jesus & Me) starts on Sundays.

Sunday, September 16

4PM – 5PM: CONFIRMATION CLASS / BIBLE STUDY begins (6th grade & up); Youth Group (5th grade & up) follows at 5PM.

Wednesday, September 19

4:30PM – 6:15PM: KURIOS KIDS starts on Wednesdays (K – 5th grade).

Friday, September 28 – Sunday, September 30

IGNITE YOUTH WEEKEND in Wildwood (5th grade thru High School age).

CONTACT BONNIE MARSHALL AT (609) 276-5750 FOR ANY INFO ON YOUTH EVENTS!

BIBLE VERSES FOR LABOR DAY

Acts 20: 33 – 35: “I have not wanted anyone’s money or clothes for myself; you all know that these hands of mine earned enough for the needs of myself and my companions. All along I showed you that it is our duty to help the weak in this way, by hard work, and that we should keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus, who himself said, ‘Happiness lies more in giving than in receiving.’”

Ephesians 4: 28: “The thief must give up stealing, and work hard with his hands to earn an honest living, so that he may have something to share with the needy.”

Colossians 3: 23 – 24: “Whatever you are doing, put your whole heart into it, as if you were doing it for the Lord and not for men, knowing that there is a master who will give you an inheritance as a reward for your service. Christ is the master you must serve.”

GOING...GOING...GONE



Tell your family! Tell your friends! On Saturday, September 22, the Joy Of Angels Thrift Shoppe will be sponsoring a live auction at the Lacey United Methodist Church. And make no mistake about it, the items available at the auction are not mostly thrift store items. Available for bidding will be a 7 day / 6 night stay in Las Vegas. While transportation is not included with the vacation, the winning bidder can stay in Las Vegas between February and October of 2019.

While dogs can't attend, their owners will be pleased to know that there will be some items for man's best friend. Lucky's Bed & Biscuit (508 E. Bay Ave. in Manahawkin) will be offering a full day of doggie daycare, along with a basket of goodies. In addition to boarding at Lucky's, guests will be able to bid on a basket that will include a gift certificate from Bark Avenue Pet Salon (725 South Main Street in Forked River) to assist in giving your puppy a complete makeover.

For those who love collectibles, there will be a basket from Conquest Comics, located at 659 Route 9 in Bayville. The Spiderman comic included in the basket contains a variant cover, which makes the issue already worth more than the cover price.

The Grange Playhouse, located at 4860 Route 9 South in Howell, has contributed 4 gift certificates which are good for 2 tickets to any dessert show. Scheduled for part of October is "Whodunnit?," which is a series of one-act murder mysteries. "Listen," written by Sami DeSocio, is scheduled to open on November 30.

The above items are only a small sample of the amount of donations received from local businesses, and even more are still coming in. At 3pm, people will be able to preview all of the items up for auction. The auction will begin promptly at 4pm, with church funnyman Dean Abramo acting as the auctioneer.

The proceeds from the auction will benefit the LUMC, various outreach programs and Vetwork. Getting its start as the Ocean County POW / MIA Organization, Vetwork is located at 103 North Main Street in Forked River. A non-profit organization, Vetwork is "dedicated to assisting our honorably discharged veterans in coming home and getting situated." In addition, they assist Ocean County veterans with professional counseling in regards to alcohol and drug abuse. Vetwork also plays a role in helping them handle any PTSD issues. Homelessness is another area where Vetwork lends a hand, along with other financial and employment difficulties. They also assist in pointing those veterans to the proper avenue as to where they can claim their VA benefits that they had no idea existed!

The small price of \$5 includes admission to the event and an auction paddle, as well as a sandwich and a drink. The sandwich and drink only added \$2 to the price for entry and a paddle. For \$1, you can enter but you wouldn't be part of the bidding process. There will be food and beverages available to purchase during the event. This event is designed to help the church help others and isn't that what we as Christians are designed to do.

Dominic Gregoria

Members are encouraged to join one of the many Life or Fellowship Groups to Praise and Serve God!

JAM PROGRAM PREPARING TO START

“And it is he who has given some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip God’s people for work in his service, for the building up of the body of Christ,…”

***Ephesians 4:
11 - 12***



On Sunday, September 9, the JAM (Jesus and Me) Sunday School program will begin. Teachers, substitutes and helpers are currently being introduced to the fall schedule. As usual, the classes run during church service from 9:15am until 10:15am. Classes are broken up into 4 groups: K – 2nd grade, 3rd grade – 4th grade, 5th grade – 7th grade and 8th grade – high school. Besides the scheduled lesson, the children will be learning the Lord’s Prayer, the Serenity Prayer, Psalm 23, the Apostle’s Creed and the 10 Commandments. This fall will see a heavy concentration on Genesis and Exodus, with some New Testament scriptures mixed in.

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