

<>< *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; Peg Bea; Jonathan Rock; Sandi Smith; Kyle; Joe Bence; Shannon Callaghan; Nick Juliano; Marjorie Moore; Rachel C.; Louise; Michelle Reyes; Pete & Kathy Jensen; Judy Mihalkovitz; Virginia Schoeneberg; George Reid; Will Cotton; Dawn Slate; Carole Exel; Karen; Tom & Mary; Terry H.; Davette & Leslie Bivins; Lizzie Britton; Linda & John Ansbach; Evelyn Handchen; Patricia Potter; Michael Potter; Sara Carpini; Joseph; Rosalie Mulvaney; Ed & Monique Wojciechowski; Beccari Family; Emmett & Gloria Bivins; Ellen Larney; Brittny; 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; Barkley Family; Charles Cometa Jr.; Peggy LaPorta; 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 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; Jilly K. Family; Ray MacPherson Family; Frank Nordyk Family; Larry Radomski Family; Peg Cotton Family; Ann Taylor Family.

**Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer** ~ Thanks be to God for answered prayer! For the birth of Reina Jovita Chen to parents Jarrett and Kyrsten Stapleton! For the birth of Elliana Rae to parents Evelyn & Luke Kern! For the birth of Jonathan Rock to parents Jeanette & Jeff Rudzonis!

**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. 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 Andorra, Italy, Malta, Portugal, San Marino, Spain, Vatican City; 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*

*February 6, 2022*

You Are  
What  
You Are

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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: Virginia Schoeneberg

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** *When I Look Into Your Holiness*  
*Shared by Betty Carhart and Bob Pentland*

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

As followers of Jesus Christ, living in this world-  
which some seek to control, but which others view with despair-  
we declare with joy and trust: **Our world belongs to God!**

From the beginning, through all the crises of our times,  
until his kingdom fully comes,

**God keeps covenant forever. Our world belongs to him!**

God is King! Let the earth be glad!

**Christ is Victor; his rule has begun. Hallelujah!**

The Spirit is at work, renewing the creation. Praise the Lord!

**Come, Lord Jesus! Our world belongs to you.**

**\*Hymn** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing UMH 158*

**Prayer for Illumination**

Gracious God, give us humble, teachable, and obedient  
hearts, that we may receive what you have revealed, and do  
what you have commanded. Amen.

**Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

**Message: “You Are What You Are”** Marilyn D. Kinelski

**\*Praise Song** *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

**Affirmation of Faith UMH 888**

*Leader:* This is the good news which we have received, in which  
we stand, and by which we are saved:

**All: Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the  
third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and  
the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.**

**We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God,  
the first born of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in  
whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God  
was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the  
head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross  
reconciles all things to God. Amen.**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Ministry of Giving and Prayer of Dedication:**

Gracious and merciful God, we offer our gifts to you this day  
with open hands and open hearts. We know there have been  
days when we have clung to money for our security, to try to  
control our future. At times, we’ve been tempted to believe  
that in gaining more, we would find salvation. Open our ears  
and minds to hear the truth from your apostle Paul: we need  
only hold firmly to the good news of Christ’s death and  
Resurrection – it alone will save us. In the holy name of  
Jesus, our redeemer, we pray. Amen.

**\*Hymn**

*In the Garden UMH 314*

**Prayer of Confession**

We struggle to manifest the fruits of the Spirit, but often find  
ourselves bound by works of the flesh. We know the whole  
law is summed up in the single commandment to love our  
neighbor as ourselves. Yet we create fences around  
ourselves to keep neighbors outside and tell ourselves we  
have no responsibility. Even in our own back yard we “bite  
and devour” one another. We wish it were different. When  
Jesus calls us to follow him, we find every excuse to instead  
go home or to the workplace to finish something more  
important first. Yet we yearn to be more centered on You.

*(Time of Silent Confession and Reflection)*

**Assurance of Pardon**

Despite our resistance,  
we can be assured that God’s strong arm redeems the people.  
God calls us back to God’s realm, and encourages us  
with a love we can never lose no matter how hard we push back,  
no matter how often we forget, no matter how far we stray.  
We need but ask and we are forgiven.

**\*Hymn**

*He is Lord UMH 177*

**Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

*As the Deer*  
*Shared by Betty Carhart and Bob Pentland*

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.

**Volunteers are needed to join our Media Team!**

The media team coordinates the live stream, sound, and video screen presentation on Sundays.

Contact Steven Michalkowski 732-300-1956 to learn more!!

**FINANCIAL STATISTICS – January 31, 2022**

**Attendance ~ 85 via YouTube/Facebook**

**Offerings via Vanco ~ \$1,126.85**

**An in-person collection was not taken due to the blizzard.**

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!!

**Shop Online? Here are two ways you could earn donations for LUMC!**

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- 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



**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!

**FEBRUARY MEETINGS**

FINANCE TEAM MEETING – 21<sup>ST</sup> AT 5:30PM  
TRUSTEES – 21<sup>ST</sup> AT 6PM  
FUNDRAISING TEAM – 23<sup>RD</sup> AT 6PM  
CHURCH COUNCIL – 28<sup>TH</sup> AT 6PM

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for  
February 13 – Matthew 5:13-16*

**Bible Study Opportunities**

- ✚ Wednesday mornings at 9:00am.
- ✚ 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.

**\* Winter Hours for the Hope Chest Food Pantry \***

The food pantry will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM.

**♪♪ LUMC Music Ministries ♪♪**

Please reach out to Dawn Slate if you are interested in joining!

**Drama Club at LUMC – Tuesdays 5pm-6:30pm**

Contact Dominic 732.904.9945 or [donnieg777@hotmail.com](mailto:donnieg777@hotmail.com) for info. Open to all children and youth, reading age and up.

**United Methodist Women Events**

- ✚ Wed. Feb. 9 - "Girl Talk" at Keswick \$12 pp
- ✚ Thurs. Feb. 24 - 6PM at Perkins, Forked River. Contact Monique at 732-492-1494 for more information.

**UM Men Breakfast Meeting**

**Saturday, February 19 at 8:00am** in Fellowship Hall.  
Please contact Rich Rosfjord for more information.

**Monthly Pastor's Breakfast:** 9:00 AM Monday, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> at Lacey Perkins (Rt. 9, Forked River). Everyone is welcome to be part of the food, fellowship, and fun!

**Calling All children & Youth**

**Sunday School:** All are welcome! (K-12th Grade) Sunday  
**Confirmation Class:** Forming soon. (5<sup>th</sup> Grade and older)  
**Youth Group:** Fridays 6:30PM (5<sup>th</sup> Grade and older)  
Youth Group is returning in February!

*Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe*

**Hours of Operation:** Thursdays ~ 8:00AM – 11:00AM  
Wednesdays, 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!