

<>< *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 Slate; Louis Potter; Billy Potter; Laurel Helle; Darrell Astwood; Melissa M.; Betty C.; Donna; Gail Matuska; Monika & Fred Sisbarro; Gesine Klein; Marilyn Slate; Doris & Yook Moy; Dawn McLeod; Melissa; Harper & Rachel; Freddy; Kevin; Rhoda & Steve; Amy Russell; Brian; Ashley; Carole Reppert; Gwen Lewis; Aubrey; Betty Carhart; Rosalie Mulvaney; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Daniel Huyler; Isabella; 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; Carole Exel; Karen; Tom & Mary; Leslie Bivins; Linda & John Ansbach; Patricia Potter; Michael Potter; Sara Carpini; Joseph; Brittney; Diane Collins; Rick & Ashleigh Handchen; Marousis Family; Ike & Joan Icenhower; Susan Schlotter; Colleen Brandt; Joan McGavin; Cindy Dreher; Nancy Dean; Allyson Cotton; 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 McErlan; 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; Prag and Weisbrot families mourn the loss of Sheila Prag; Robert Fisher Family; Andrew Williams Family; Jack Lagowicz Family; Adriana Kuch Family; Tina Mignone Family; Ronald Slate 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. Ronell Howard; all Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

**World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas** ~ People of Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden; North Carolina, North Dakota; 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*  
March 12, 2023



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Head of the Church ~ Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God  
Ministers: All of Us Liturgist: Lori Osborn  
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**                      ***And Are We Yet Alive!***

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Hymn**                      ***Great is Their Faithfulness***                      **UMH 140**

**Call to Worship**

Turn away from the calls of worldly success

**Repent, and turn back to God.**

Turn away from the desire to have what everyone else has

**Repent, and turn back to God.**

Turn away from greed and the race for power

**Repent, and turn back to God.**

As we enter Lent, may we turn back to God

**May we seek forgiveness,**

may we seek healing, **may we seek wholeness.**

**Young Disciples' Time**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Holy God,**

reveal your presence to us this day as we journey this path with your Son. Through all of life's trials and tribulations your Word sustains us for the journey ahead. Send your Spirit upon us that we might listen, discern, and take heart. Be near us this day and may your Word with us stay and dwell with us forevermore.

**Gospel Lesson: Mark 11:12-14, 20-25**

**Message: The Final Days of Jesus: "Day 3: Holy Tuesday"**

**\*Hymn**                      ***Blessed Assurance***                      **UMH 369**

**Affirmation of Faith UMH 882**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offering**

***Anthem ~ Graves into Gardens***

**\*Doxology UMH 95**

**Prayer of Dedication**

God, our provider, in Christ you give us a spring of pure water that overflows to eternal life. Your love and hope fill our hearts, so we want to worship you in Spirit and truth. Open our eyes to see the places in this neighborhood where our church's ministries could reach new people. Direct our gifts and offerings for your purposes, so that our community will become like a field ripe for harvest. We ask this through Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

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

**Prayer of Confession**

We are dry, Lord, like the pavement on a sweltering summer day. Our lives are heated, and the streams of our souls sometimes run dry. We catch our tears, but they cannot ease our thirst. We drip in sweat, but this cannot ease the heat. So, we beg for only a few drops of refreshing rain to moisten the dryness in our world.

**Silent Reflection**

**Assurance of Pardon**

God's promise is greater than rain or streams. God promises a Savior sent to redeem and fill us with water eternally. Living in the will of God, we live without thirst anymore. **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**

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

**Prayer of Gratitude**

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

**\*Hymn**                      ***Just as I Am, Without One Plea***                      **UMH 357**

**Benediction**

**\*Postlude**                      ***Count Your Blessings***

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.

### Children/Youth Events

- ⇒ **Sunday School** following the Young Disciples Message
- ⇒ **Drama Club** Wednesdays 5:00-6:30PM

### FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Statistics for the week of March 5, 2023:

Attendance ~ 53 in-person; 21 via YouTube

Offerings ~ \$1,433.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$1,535.16

Plate ~ \$30.00 Mt. Zion Mission ~ \$250.00

Keyboard Fund ~ \$1,660.00 Discretionary ~ \$190.00

Donation from Vetwork ~ \$1,550.00

Weekly Deposit from Joy of Angels ~ \$575.25

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!!

**Monthly Pastor's Breakfast: March 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM**  
at Lacey Perkins. Everyone is welcome!

**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



### 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!

*Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe*

#### Hours of Operation:

Tuesday & Wednesday ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM

Thursday ~ 8:00AM – 4:00PM

Friday ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM

Saturday ~ 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.**

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for*  
**March 19 – Matthew 26:6-16**

### Bible Study Opportunities

✠ Sunday 1:00 PM

✠ Wednesday evenings at 6:45pm.

*The flowers that grace our Altar today are given in Glory to God;  
And for those of Irish and those who wish they were!*

### Safe Sanctuaries Training

If you were unable to participate in the last training session, please contact the LUMC office to sign up for a special small group training. This training is necessary for volunteers.

### Hope Chest Food Pantry Needs...

1. bottled juice
  2. snack items
- Items can be dropped off at the LUMC office during the week or after worship service on Sundays. Thank you!

### WHITE ELEPHANT Gift Exchange

**Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> 11:30am in Fellowship Hall**

All you need to bring is a wrapped gift to exchange (valued up to \$10), a smile, and a sense of humor! Everyone is welcome!

☺ Re-gifting is strongly encouraged. ☺

Contact Dawn Marie Kuch or the LUMC Office for more information.



**We're social!** Like & follow us on...

**LUMC:** Facebook, Instagram, & YouTube  
**Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe:** Facebook

### Volunteer Opportunities at LUMC

Volunteers make all our missions possible. Please contact the LUMC office to learn more about these opportunities:

**Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe** – help us extend the hours!

**SHALOM Mission** – need volunteers to be present on Tues. and/or Thurs. morning when participants arrive for showers & laundry.

**Hot Lunch Program** – kitchen/setup/cleanup on Tues. and/or Thurs.

**Hope Chest Food Pantry** – Tues. and/or Thurs. from 12:30-1:30PM.

**Sunday Counters** – volunteers are needed to join the rotation.

**Fundraising Team** – Help us organize and run our FUNraisers!

