

LUMC'S COMMUNITY REVELATIONS

July 2018

Lacey United Methodist Church

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Chimes Director: Bill Applegate

Facility Maintenance – Grounds: Mike Orlick

Trustee Chair: Bill Jones

Church Council Chair: Chip Marshall

Staff Parish Team Chair: Rose Coram

Children-Youth Education: Bonnie Marshall

Finance Chair: Steven Michalkowski

Head Counter: Becky Buglione

Thrift Shoppe: Elaine Brandt

Mission: Morris Maze

Outreach: Kenny Pitman

Worship: Dawn Marie Kuch

Hospitality Kitchen: Bill Buglione

Hot Lunch Mission: Roseann DePasquale & Ed Weisbrot

Summer Lunch Mission: Ellen Larney & Gail Matuska

WEAR YOUR FAITH PROUDLY



You can show the world that you are a proud member of the Lacey United Methodist Church by purchasing a t-shirt from Joann Michalkowski after service or at the Church office. Sold at cost, this Gildan brand apparel is printed by Blue Wave Printing of Toms River.

Available for purchase are tee shirts for \$11, long-sleeve tees for \$15, golf shirts for \$16 and pullover hoodies for \$23. With a color choice of cardinal red, charcoal or royal blue, they are available in small, medium, large and XL. There is an upcharge for 2XL thru 5XL.

Known for their work in the community (Restore The Shore and T-Shirts for Troops), Blue Wave hand prints each order on site. They have a tremendous history for working with schools, organizations, athletic teams, businesses and community fundraisers. Checks can be made payable to Lacey UMC.

God Bless,
Dominic Gregoria

BIBLE VERSE FOR FOURTH OF JULY

First Peter 2: 16 - 17: "Live as those who are free; not however as though your freedom provided a cloak for wrongdoing, but as slaves in God's service. Give due honour to everyone: love your fellow-Christians, reverence God, honour the emperor."

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

Tuesday, July 17

6PM- 8PM: POT LUCK SUPPER (see Bonnie Marshall or Pastor Linda for info)

Tuesday, July 24 – Friday, July 27

6PM – 8PM: 10TH ANNUAL JURIED ART SHOW; All ages, all media (\$30 entry fee / limit 5 entries per person)

Saturday, July 28

11AM – 9PM: FAMILY FEST; Art Show continues (11AM – 8PM) / Car Show (12PM – 5PM) / Touch- A-Truck (1PM – 5PM) / Games (12PM – 8PM) / Crafters (1PM – 5PM) / Live Music & DJ (1PM – 9PM) / Food (12PM – 8:30PM) / Movie (7PM)

MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN ONE OF THE MANY LIFE OR FELLOWSHIP GROUPS TO PRAISE AND SERVE GOD!

IF ANYONE HAS SOMETHING THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS NEWSLETTER, CONTACT DOMINIC AT donnieg777@hotmail.com.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP NIGHTS AT AMERICA'S KESWICK RETURNS IN OCTOBER



The Men's Fellowship Nights, held at America's Keswick in Whiting once a month, will be on a hiatus for the summer. Beginning with a nice dinner at 6:15pm, the evening continues with a special message from the guest speaker. After the festivities, anyone can enjoy a choice of many recreational activities, including the hot tub, an enormous swimming pool, racquetball rooms and an open gym. Also, in attendance and sometimes speaking will be men from their Addiction Recovery ministries.

The first Thursday back will be October 11th, when Rev. Joe Gratzel from the First Baptist of Manasquan is scheduled to be the guest speaker. Other future guest speakers will include Pastor Jack Crans of the County Corrections Gospel Mission (November 8th), Pastor Burt Salisbury of the Calvary Chapel Living Water (January 10th), Pastor Ken Carlson of the Bayside Chapel in Barnegat (February 14th), Pastor Jason Coache of the Wellspring Church in Toms River (March 14th) and Pastor Mike Dellaperute of the Calvary Baptist Church in Little Egg Harbor (April 11th).

The entire evening is a bargain at only \$12 per person. More information about these and other events at America's Keswick can be found by visiting www.americaskeswick.org. You can also call them at 1-800-453-7942. You can reserve your spot for any of the fellowship Thursdays mentioned above by tracking down Bill Jones.

Dominic Gregoria

CHAIN LETTER TO CHURCH



Doing some cleaning, I came across a paper chain that the Sunday School Children had put together a few years ago. That got me to thinking about chains. A connected, flexible, series of links – a chain can be made from silver, gold, plastic, wood or steel. Some are meant to be decorative; some for supporting, hauling or confining; some convey power – like a bicycle chain or chains on tires through winter snow. Oops – sorry I mentioned that four letter word and hope we don't need chains on our tires any time soon!

My favorite chains are definitely the ones that the children have made with paper, glue and lots of love – writing their prayer concerns on them and hanging them across the ceiling or on a tree. They are both precious and fragile at the same time. I wish there was a way to keep them from getting crushed, falling apart and fading.

Thinking about the meaning of chains led me to think about our Church. In Christ, we are each linked together for a purpose. God has connected and empowered us with love for ministry in a way that we could never undertake by ourselves. Every person in our “Church Chain” is essential and needed to accomplish God's goal here. You are all important! You all bring unique gifts! No one person can do any of it alone. Any breaks in the chain are felt by the whole. But, bound together in Christ's mission and strength we can do all things. Amen?

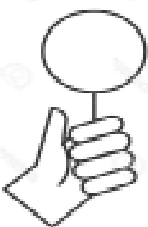
God is the One who called you and empowered you to be in supportive community with each other here. God uses all our strengths and weaknesses to create this remarkable chain called the Church. And together, in the love of Christ, we have achieved some pretty great things – all to God's glory. Thank you, God!!! Thank YOU!!! ALL of YOU!!!! For EVERYTHING you do and share!!!

So, I remind you today, that the Lacey United Methodist “Church Chain” needs you – for there are many who are crushed, falling apart and fading. We need your Prayers, your Presence, your Gifts, your Service and your Witness so that together we might link Christ's Light, Love and Hope with the greater community of Lacey and beyond.

Words from the Apostle Paul, “For what is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when He comes? Is it not you? Indeed, you are our glory and joy!” “How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you?” “May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. May God strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all His holy ones.” 1 Thessalonians 2:19-20; 3:9, 12-13

<> Peace like a River <> Love like an Ocean <>

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GOING, GOING, GONE AUCTION

Saturday, September 22: 3pm previews / 4pm auction starts

\$5 = entry, auction paddle & sandwich // \$3 = entry, auction paddle // \$1 = entry only

Proceeds to benefit LUMC and VETWORK.

*“God also said,
‘Throughout the
earth I give you all
plants that bear
seed, and every
tree that bears fruit
with seed: they
shall be yours for
food.’”*

Genesis 1:29

Lacey Township's Annual
FARMERS' MARKET 
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JUNE 8 THRU OCTOBER 5, 2018
FRIDAYS FROM 11:00AM TO 5:00PM
SPECIAL HOLIDAY MARKET MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

LOCATED AT: 203 LACEY RD, FORKED RIVER
DIRECTIONS: TAKE GARDEN STATE PARKWAY EXIT 74 TO LACEY ROAD & HEAD EAST FOR ABOUT A MILE TO THE LACEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. THE FARMERS' MARKET IS LOCATED IN THE PARKING AREA ADJACENT TO THE CHURCH.

A HUGE VARIETY OF FARM FRESH & ARTISANAL:

- FRUITS & VEGETABLES
- RAVIOLI & PASTA
- FROZEN FISH & MEAT
- ITALIAN BREAD
- FRESH MOZZARELLA
- IMPORTED CHEESE
- DESSERTS
- OLIVES & PICKLES
- & MUCH MUCH MORE!!!





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