LUMC'S COMMUNITY REVELATIONS

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and love here on earth.

May the God of hope and healing be with us all in this time of sorrow.

MESSAGE FROM DAWN SLATE

To my LUMC family and friends,

There are no words to express my gratitude for all your support, prayers, calls, cards and concerns over these past months. Sandi's passing, my health issues and the passing of my Dad have been cause for lots of concern and distress. I was continually uplifted by all of your prayers and support, even at the darkest times I felt the love. I am so blessed to be a part of our family.

I would also like to express my thanks for your support of the music program at LUMC.....as we look to purchase a new electric piano to enhance our worship services. You are making that happen and I am so grateful, as is the praise team. Your comments about anthems, music, hymns and the music in general raise my spirits always. Please feel free to let me know if there is a particular hymn or song that you would like to have incorporated into the service. I am ALWAYS up for suggestions!

Again, many, many thanks for all your love and support. May you always be blessed beyond measure.

MESSAGE FROM BISHOP SCHOL

Today we mourn with those who have experienced another school shooting, and our hearts go out to the students, parents, and teachers who have been affected by this tragedy. As people of faith, we turn to God for comfort and strength during this difficult time. And we are called to work toward transforming the world into a better place for the sake of Christ.

May those who mourn this day experience the words of Jesus, who said, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted" (Matthew 5:4). We pray that God's comforting presence will be felt by the community of Covenant School in Nashville, and that they will find hope and healing in the midst of their pain.

As United Methodists, we are also called to be peacemakers and advocates for justice. We must work to create a world where violence and hatred are no longer the norm, and where every child can feel safe and loved. Let us join together not only in prayer but also action, as we seek to bring about God's kingdom of peace

ROMANS 5: 6-8

For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love towards us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

MONTHLY PASTOR'S BREAKFAST



This month's Pastor's Breakfast will be held on Monday, April 10th, at 9:30am at the Lacey Perkins, located at 113 South Main Street in Forked River. Everyone is invited to be part of the food, fellowship and fun!

FRIENDS IN FAITH

There will be a Friends in Faith (formerly United Methodist Women) Meeting on Tuesday, April 4th, in Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm. All women are welcome to join us! Please contact the LUMC Office for more information.

CAR & TRUCK SHOW

LACEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 203 LACEY ROAD, FORKED RIVER, NJ

SATURDAY, JUNE 17TH

9:00AM - 2:00PM

\$15.00 PRE-REGISTRATION

\$20.00 DAY OF SHOW

RAIN DATE: JULY 1ST

REGISTRATION TIME BEGINS AT 8:30AM



OPEN TO ALL YEARS / MAKES / MODELS.....TROPHIES | FOOD | MUSIC | FUN FOR ALL

FOR SHOW UPDATES OR INFO CALL (609) 693-5222 OR VISIT WWW.JERSEYSHORECARSHOWS.COM

WANTED: YOUTH

Looking for youth that are High School age who may be interested in attending a weekend spiritual retreat in May or youth of any age that may be interested in attending the Ignite Festival in the fall. Interested parents should contact Dominic Gregoria at donnieg777@hotmail.com or (732) 904-9945.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Maundy Thursday (April 6th) will feature a Passover Seder at 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall. We will be celebrating together with our friends from the Forked River Presbyterian Church.

GOOD FRIDAY (April 7th)

Noon - 3:00pm: Stations Of The Cross in the Sanctuary

7:00pm: Good Friday Worship Service at the Forked River Presbyterian Church

EASTER SUNDAY (April 9th)

Sunrise Service: 6:30am at Lake Barnegat

Easter Sunday Worship Service: 9:00am in the Sanctuary

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 9:00AM IN-PERSON OR ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL. SUNDAY SCHOOL FOLLOWS THE YOUNG DISCIPLES MESSAGE.

PAPER BAGS NEEDED

The Fundraising Team is collecting plain paper bags to be decorated and used at upcoming bake sales, Contact Dawn Kuch at (732) 232-7270 for more information!



FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT

The Lacey United Methodist Church is going to the ballpark for "Faith and Family Night." On Thursday, August 3rd, we will be going to ShoreTown Ballpark, located at 2 Stadium Way in Lakewood to take in a Jersey Shore BlueClaws game. The BlueClaws are a High-A Affiliate for the Philadelphia Phillies. Gates open 65 minutes before the first pitch of the game. First pitch is at 7:05pm for this night. More details will be coming.

SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING

If you weren't able to attend the Safe Sanctuary Training on February 5th and you still want to participate in the training, contact Dominic Gregoria at <u>donnieg777@hotmail.com</u> or the LUMC Office at (609) 693-5222 to be put on the list for our next training session which will be announced soon.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers needed to help out with JOY OF ANGELS THRIFT SHOPPE, S.H.A.L.O.M. MISSION, HOT LUNCH PROGRAM, SUNDAY COUNTERS, FUNDRAISING TEAM, SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSISTANTS & SUBSTITUTES, HOPE CHEST FOOD PANTRY & DRAMA CLUB ASSISTANTS. Call LUMC Office for info!

"I don't have all the answers
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To the troubles of the day
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But neither did all our
ancestors
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And they persevered anyway
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When I see a little baby
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Reaching out its arms to me
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I remember why I'm workin' on a world
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I may never see."
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LACEY UMC'S "EGG" CELLENT HUNT!



SATURDAY,
APRIL 22ND
10:00AM
FELLOWSHIP HALL

RSVP BY APRIL 8TH
TO LUMC OFFICE

PLEASE HELP US EXTEND THE JOY OF EASTER WITH CUPCAKES, JUICE, AND AN EGG-CELLENT EGG HUNT!

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