

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Covid sufferers & Care Givers; Dawn McLeod; Melissa; Dave C.; Jeni & Ron H.; Quinn; Harper & Rachel; Freddy; Gail Matuska; Tony Daleo; Rev. Wade Jackson; Bruce Halliday; Kevin; Rhoda & Steve; Amy Russell; Brian; Ashley; Carole Reppert; Aiden & Ariel Edgecomb; Gwen Lewis; Aubrey; Betty Carhart; Rosalie Mulvaney; Kay Laux; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Daniel Huyler; Isabella; Ronald & Marilyn Slate; 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; Dawn Slate; Carole Exel; Karen; Tom & Mary; Davette & Leslie Bivins; Linda & John Ansbach; Patricia Potter; Michael Potter; Sara Carpini; Joseph; Ed & Monique Wojciechowski; Emmett & Gloria Bivins; Brittney; Diane Collins; Rick & Ashleigh Handchen; Marousis Family; George & Adrienne Melnyk; Ike & Joan Icenhower; Susan Schlotter; Dee & Paul Burrowes; Colleen Brandt; Barkley Family; Joan McGavin; Cindy Dreher; Nancy Dean; Allyson Cotton; Lisa Burger; Sally & Trevor Potter; Tommy Britton; Dawn Marie & Stash Kuch; Kyle Kuch; 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; Sheila Forney Family; Amy Haas Family; Betty Ann Britton Family; Patrick Sisbarro Family; Ed Johnson 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. 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 Oceania; California, Colorado; 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
November 6, 2022



“The Problem with Two Masters”

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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*

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Praise Song** ***Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord! **Sing praise to God's name!**

The Lord has done wonderful things for us!

The Lord has heaped blessing upon blessing in our lives!

Come, sing, shout, and give thanks to God.

In all our ways, we will continually thank God forever. Amen.

Young Disciple's Message

Prayer for Illumination

O God, you speak to us today through this word of faith.

Embolden our spirits by your Spirit, that your words may be made manifest in all that we say and in all that we do to bring your kingdom on earth. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

Epistle Lesson: Romans 10:8b-10

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 6:24

Message: Treasure Hunt: "The Problem with Two Masters"

Hymn** ***Take Time to Be Holy ***UMH 395***

Affirmation of Faith UMH 887

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Anthem ~ Draw Me Close

***Doxology**

Prayer of Dedication

Lord of sea and storm, of sunshine and meadow, we present these offerings as tokens of our lives in grateful praise for your love for us. Use these gifts for the ministries of hope and justice in this, your broken world. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Hymn ***Come and Find the Quiet Center TFWS 2128 vs. 1***

Prayer of Confession

We confess that we are often enticed to take the risk for the rewards, often financial, offered if you win. Just "a dollar and a dream" and we hear the glory stories of people receiving great monetary wealth; later, we discover how many lives have been destroyed by this grand prize. Forgive us when we hunger for the wealth and power the world dangles before us. Move us from greed to gratitude for your blessings. Heal our wounded spirits and lives, so that we may fully serve you. Prepare us for this journey of discipleship and healing. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

God will provide for your needs. Place your trust in God. You are not alone. God is with you always. The world cannot offer to you such abiding riches as the presence of God. **Amen.**

Passing of the Peace

Joyously greet one another with the words, "**Jesus is Lord!**"

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread and The Sharing of the Cup

As you come up for communion, please name a saint who has helped shape your faith.

Prayer of Gratitude

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn** ***Seek Ye First ***UMH 405***

Benediction

***Postlude**

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.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Our projected weekly need to meet ministry obligations is \$5,120.00. Statistics for the week of October 30, 2022:

Attendance ~ 30 in-person; 19 via YouTube

Offerings ~ \$820.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$1,085.50 Plate ~ \$45.00

General Fund Total: \$1,950.50

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!!

Electronic Giving is Here! Follow these easy steps:

1) Visit our website at 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



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!

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

✓ umcmarket.org - You earn for LUMC every time you click through the umcmarket.org site to shop. Sign up for free at umcmarket.org!

✓ [amazonsmile.com](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2279634) - Support LUMC by starting your Amazon shopping at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2279634>

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: Thursdays ~ 8:00AM – 11:00AM

Tues., Wed., Fridays, & Sat. ~ 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.

Please contact Elaine Brandt to volunteer!

Monthly Pastor's Breakfast: November 14th at 9:30 AM
at Lacey Perkins. Everyone is welcome!

Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
November 13 – Matthew 6:1-6

Bible Study Opportunities

✚ Wednesday morning Bible Study will return soon!

✚ 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.

✚ Disciple Bible Study – starting in January!

Children/Youth Events

⇒ **Sunday School** following the Young Disciples Message

⇒ **Drama Club** Wednesdays 5:00-6:30PM

HARVEST FEST ~ November 19 9AM – 2PM

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PICS WITH SANTA | CRAFTS | VENDORS

Contact the LUMC Office 609.693.5222 for more information.

Bake Sale at the FALL Lacey Farmers' Market

When: Monday, November 21

Bakers and volunteers needed to help make the bake sales a huge success! Please contact Maddie at 609-501-4207 to sign-up as a baker and/or booth volunteer. Thank you!!!

Thanksgiving Happenings

Sunday, Nov. 20 – Ecumenical Worship Service 7:00 PM

Monday, Nov. 21 – Fall Lacey Farmers' Market

Nov. 24 – Thanksgiving Dinner - 1:00pm in Fellowship Hall

Nov. 26 – Hanging of the Greens. Help decorate the Sanctuary for the Christmas season. 8AM-? Breakfast provided!!!

Worship at Spring Oak Assisted Living – Nov. 27th at 1:30PM

We will be worshipping with the residents of Spring Oak at 1:30PM. Please meet in the LUMC parking lot at 1:15pm. Masks required.

“Light of the World” Advent book study is now forming!

Please contact Pastor Jonathan if you would like to participate.

We are collecting **warm 80% wool content socks** for soldiers in the Ukraine. Socks can be dropped off to the LUMC office or you are welcome to make a donation towards the purchase of socks. Please contact Monika Sisbarro at 732-503-0363 for more info!

Shoe Drive Fundraiser coming to LUMC!

We are collecting your new or gently used pairs of shoes. Shoes can be dropped off to the LUMC Office during the week!

