

<>< *Lacey United Methodist Church Prayer Page* ><>

<>< YOUR WILL, LORD GOD, BE DONE ~ NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS, NOTHING ELSE <><

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Betty Kirwan; Sean, John, & Jill; Bill C.; Carole Jansen; Andrea Frangos; Jordyn, Joey, & Family; Jo-Anne Entrikin; Adelyn Garcia; Cathy Cicero, Jan Kuhl; Rich Budnicki Sr.; Bill and Becky Buglione; Cyndie & Doug Hopkinson; MaryAnn Richter; Linda Becker; Tonilynn Gilanyi; Nancy & George Reid; Family B.; Jackie Swomiak; Tyler; Deb & Rick Waddell; Dale & Paul Stuckey; Wayne Kellstrom; Bill J. Romano; Mary Cicale; Peggy Rafuse; Chip & Bonnie Marshall; Laura & Tim McDonald; Robert Rockafellow; Joan McGavin; Lisa Smith; Sue Smith; Samantha Maida; Sue Bolanwski; Irene; Lorraine & Robert Soehl; Cynthia Pedemonti; Dave C.; Luke Denning; Jaden Maggio; Alease & Ken King; Sharon Callaghan; Tom C; Neil Barnett; Dan; Jaime; Susan Smith; Hannah Maloney; Eddie Grant; John R.; Phyllis Smith; Louis Potter; Dottie Connolly; Sheryl Lutgen; Lois Pozsar; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Andrea Almeida; Frank & Mary Timmerman; Peg Bea; Lorraine, Katrina & Peter Borchester; our whole Church Family.

For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss ~ Family of Mya and Sigmund Golabek; Family of Maryanne Boardingham; Family of Nancy Reid; Family of Daniel Kenndey; Family of Donna Exel Engelhardt; Family of Stanley Przybylski.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ Thanks be to God for answered prayer!

For Those Serving in the Military ~ Peter Borchester; Jordyn Breur; Luke Derflinger; Kenshin Frangos; T. Ryan McDonald; Ryan Palmieri; 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; 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 Cynthia Moore-Koikoi; DS Rev. Ronell Howard; Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination.

World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas ~ People of Benin, Ivory Coast, Togo; Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands; Lacey Township Committee, Leaders & First Responders; Senators; Congressmen and leaders of our United States of America; Uniting of all American political parties; President Donald Trump & Vice President JD Vance; Gov. Mikie Sherrill; Praying an outpouring of God's spiritual renewal and healing of all the people of America.



Lacey United Methodist Church

September 6, 2026



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Welcoming Team: Lori Osborn & Deb Waddell

Head Ushers: Deb & Rick Waddell

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Lacey UMC is called to teach, serve, and love individuals so they will follow Jesus Christ and help us transform the world.



Welcome in the Name of Jesus Christ to All Visitors, Members, Family and Friends!
** Please feel free to rise in body or spirit*

Prelude

Welcome

**Hymn All Creatures of God and King (vs. 1,4) UMH 62*

Call to Worship

In the beginning . . .

God created mortals, and asked us to care for all creation.

In the fullness of time, God sent Jesus . . .

Jesus showed us how to love as God loves.

In our time, and throughout eternity . . .

Jesus commands us to lead others to follow in the name of the Creator, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Young Disciples' Time

Prayer of Illumination

Creator God, your word brought forth the heavens and the earth. As we listen, open our eyes to see your handiwork, and our hearts to praise you for the beauty of all you have made. Amen.

Hebrew Scripture Lesson: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Message: Faith Like a Child:

“The Earth was in Complete Chaos”

**Hymn He's Got the Whole World In His Hands*

**Affirmation of Faith The Nicene Creed UMH 880*

The Prayers of the People

Offering

Anthem

**Doxology UMH 95*

*Prayer of Dedication

Creator God, as we offer our prayers, our presence, our gifts of time and resources, our service, and our witness, we are grateful to join in your creative acts to bring love and peace and hope to the world. Amen.

Communion Hymn Come to the Table of Grace W&S 3168

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession

Creator of us all, when we look to the heavens and bask in the light of the sun and the moon and the stars, we feel small. Still, you call us to care for one another and all that your creativity set in motion. We yearn to hear the rush of your Spirit sweeping over the depths of our lives, guiding us and breathing into us vitality to answer your call to be disciples and to welcome others to faith in you. Meet us in your many forms. We yearn to respond with love. Amen.

A Time of Silent Confession and Reflection

The Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Prayer of Consecration

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread and the Sharing of the Cup

The Prayer of Humble Access

The Reception

Prayer of Gratitude

Community Life

**Hymn How Great Thou Art (vs. 1,2) UMH 77*

Benediction and *Postlude

Mission Statement: Lacey UMC is committed to creating inspiring worship, enriching teaching, and hands on service opportunities so that individuals become passionate followers of Jesus Christ.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Statistics for August 23: Attendance ~42 in-person; 36 via YouTube
Offerings: \$1,404.14 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,168.97
Plate: \$5.00 Hot Lunch Program: \$20.00
Mt. Zion Monthly Donation: \$1,000.00 Mt. Zion Bike Sale: \$50.00
Discretionary: \$103.00 Joy of Angels Deposit: \$2,656.22

Statistics for August 30:

Offerings: \$1,530.00 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,068.93
Plate: \$63.00 Summer Lunch Program: \$100.00
NA/AA Rent: \$50.00 Bounty of the Bay Tickets: \$720.00
Sale of Metal Chairs: \$10.00 Joy of Angels Deposit: \$2,462.26

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!!

Reminder: The basket on the side table as you walk up the center aisle is for giving to the pastor's discretionary fund which enables us to directly help members of our community who are in need.

WAYS TO GIVE



ONLINE

Visit our website laceyumc.org or click the link below to set up electronic giving.



IN PERSON

VIA TITHING
ENVELOPE
cash/check



MOBILE GIVING

Donate to Lacey UMC by using the venmo app on your tablet or phone.

Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

Normal Hours of Operation:

Tuesday: 10:00AM – 4:00PM Wed.: 10:00AM – 4:00PM
Thursday: 8:00AM – 4:00PM Friday: 10:00AM – 4:00PM
Saturday: 10:00AM – 4:00PM

☛ The Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe is a vital mission of Lacey UMC. **Volunteers are needed to work during the hours of operation. Contact Maddie Stapleton or Laura McDonald to learn more!!!**

Upcoming Meetings: Church Council: Sept. 21

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
September 13 – Genesis 6:9-22; 7:24; 8:14-19*

Opportunities to Grow in Faith

*Bible Study: Thurs. at 6:30PM - Connolly Center Conf. Room
Please contact Pastor Jonathan for more info.*

♪ ♪ Praise Team Practice is back on Sept. 16!!! ♪ ♪ Wednesdays at 5:30 PM

No prior experience necessary...all you need is a desire to sing!
Contact Matt Holmberg for more information: 609-339-5533

Breakfast with the Pastor: Sept. 14th at 9:30 AM

Location: Kristy's, Waretown. Everyone is welcome!

Women's Ministry will have gather for dinner at 5:30PM
on Wed., September 23 at IHOP, Forked River.
Please contact Dawn Kuch for more info. at 732-232-7270.

October 21st Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" Fundraiser

Purchase a 25% off one-day shopping pass for only \$5!!!
Contact the LUMC Office or see Joann or Steven after worship.

"Shoe" Us the Love!!! We are collecting **new or gently used pairs of shoes** until **November 15** for a fundraiser to benefit LUMC!
All sizes/styles accepted. Contact the Sheryl Lutgen for info.

Upcoming Events

Lacey Day: Saturday, Sept. 26th 12PM-4PM at Gille Park
Please let Pastor Jonathan know if you can help
at the LUMC booth!

Bounty of the Bay: Tuesday, Oct. 6
\$45 Adults/ \$10 Kids Under 8 yrs. old
Contact the LUMC Office for tickets!

Charge Conference – Saturday, October 17 at 9:00 AM
The Conference will be held at First UMC, Toms River.

Harvest Fest: November 21 9 AM – 2 PM
BAKED GOODS | HOMEMADE SOUPS & CHILI |
PICS WITH SANTA (10AM-1PM) | CRAFTS | VENDORS
Contact the LUMC Office 609.693.5222 for more information.

How does the structured, orderly process of creation reflect God's nature?

How can we apply the principle of "dominion and stewardship" in our modern world?

How does the concept of the "six days of creation" resonate with the idea of rest and work-life balance in our current society?

How does God's provision for all creatures inform our approach to sharing and generosity?

How can the knowledge that God declared creation 'very good' inspire a more positive self-image and respect for others?

What does it mean to be created in the "image" and "likeness" of God?

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