

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

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

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Carole Jansen; Andrea Frangos; Jordyn, Joey, & Family; Jo-Anne Entriakin; 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; Ellen Hammer; Gavin Hammer D'Adamo; Raymond Kitson; T. Ryan McDonald; Ryan Palmieri; Daniel Schenker; Jason Schenker; for all Soldiers; Sailors; Marines; Airmen; and Guards-Men/Women of our Armed Forces.

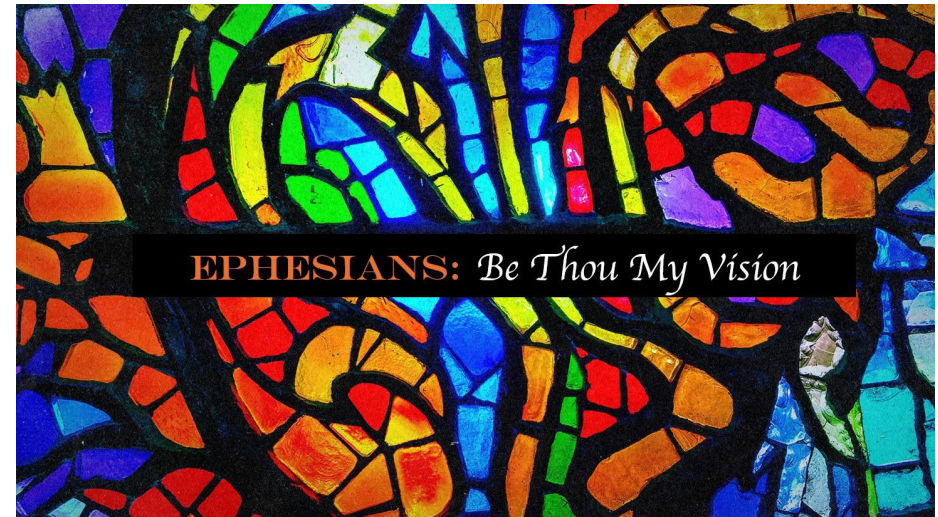
For the Ministries of our Church ~ Bible Studies; Christian Education; Community Outreach; DOC Connection Ministries; Extension Ministries; Finance Team; Healing Ministries; Hope Chest Food Pantry; Hospitality & Welcoming Team; Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe; Music Programs; How It Works and Why; AA Group; 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 Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger; Washington DC, American Samoa; 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

August 16, 2026



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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 and Welcome

**Hymn Here I Am to Worship W&S 3177*

Call to Worship

Let us give thanks to the Lord with all our hearts. **Great are the works of our God—the wise take delight in them.**

The works of the Lord are faithful and just. **Mighty are the precepts of our God—the wise regard them as trustworthy and true.** The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Blessed are the teachings of our God—the wise apply them in all things. Come! Let us worship the Lord, whose faithful love endures forever.

Young Disciples' Time

Prayer of Illumination

Our God is the source of wisdom and understanding. **Bless us with your gifts, O God.** Our God feeds us with the bread of life and the wellspring of our salvation. **Bless us with your grace, Christ Jesus.** Our God is the foundation of mercy and compassion. **Bless us with your gifts, Mighty Spirit. Amen**

Epistle Lesson: Ephesians 5:8-20

Message: Be Thou My Vision: "Life in the Spirit"

**Hymn Be Thou My Vision (vs. 1) UMH 451*

**Affirmation of Faith UMH 882*

The Prayers of the People

Offering

Anthem

**Doxology UMH 95*

*Prayer of Dedication

God of wisdom and understanding, send these gifts into the world, that they may become instruments of your grace; send this offering to your people, that it may become a source of your mercy. May these gifts be bread and blessing for a world in need of your mighty Spirit. Amen.

Communion Hymn Here Is Bread, Here Is Wine TFWS 2268

The Invitation

The bread of heaven is here, leading us into life.

We draw strength from the bread of life.

The cup of blessing is at hand, bringing us salvation.

We find life in the cup of salvation.

Eat and drink, for Christ is here, offering us eternal life.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession

O God of compassion, if you kept a record of our sins, who could stand? We come before you with our brokenness and our wounds for all to see. We bring our anger, our bitterness, our unwholesome talk, and our deceitfulness. We try to do good, but sometimes fail. We choose to do evil, and sometimes succeed. Keep your promise to forgive us when we confess to you completely. Without you, we have no hope.

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 for Christian Unity (from the Didache 2nd Century)

Community Life

**Hymn Send Us Your Spirit (vs. 1) W&S 3185*

Benediction

**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 9: Attendance ~ 39 in-person; 28 via YouTube
Offerings: \$1,734.14 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,168.97
Plate: \$20.00 Hot Lunch: \$25.00
Wedding: \$200.00 Harvest Fest: \$40.00
Gilanyi Family Sp. Collection: \$125.00 Discretionary: \$124.00
Joy of Angels Deposit: \$4,445.28 (includes bin collection)

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

Nominations: Aug. 23 following Worship

Fundraising: TBD **Finance:** TBD **Trustees:** TBD

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
August 23 – Ephesians 5:21-6:9*

☼ **Summer Lunch Program for Lacey's Kids** ☼

We are collecting **individual fruit cups** this year!
Volunteers are needed to deliver groceries on **Aug. 22!**
Contact the LUMC Office for more information.

Safe Sanctuaries Training

Sunday, August 30 Following Worship

This training is required for volunteers at LUMC who will be working with children and/or vulnerable adults. Please contact Dominic at 732-904-9945 to sign up for the training.

Opportunities to Grow in Faith

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

Upcoming Events

Bake Sale at the Lacey Farmers' Market: Sept. 4
Volunteers needed to bake and staff our booth!

Sunday School Returns: Sept. 13

Please contact the office for more information.

Lacey Day: Saturday, Sept. 25th 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!

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.

Join our media team!!! The media team coordinates the live stream, sound, and video screen presentation during worship.

📞 Contact Steven at 732-300-1956 to learn more!! 📞

Grow

Give

GPS

Study

Pray

Reflect on Paul's guidance on Christian conduct in verses 25-32. How do they apply to your interactions with others?

How does the teaching of Ephesians 4 inspire you to promote unity and growth in your church?

What does it mean to you to "imitate God" and "walk in love" as outlined in verses 1-7?

Reflecting on verses 8-14, how do you understand your role as a 'child of light'?

In what ways can you expose and resist the deeds of darkness in today's society?

What does it mean to be 'filled with the Spirit' and how can you cultivate this in your life?

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