<> Lacey United Methodist Church Prayer Page ><> <>< YOUR WILL, LORD GOD, BE DONE ~ NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS, NOTHING ELSE <>

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Brian Callaghan; Chip & Bonnie Marshall; Laura & Tim McDonald; Robert Rockafellow; Joan McGavin; Lisa Smith; Sue Smith; Samantha Maida; Sue Bolanwski; Joe McGuiggan; Irene; Lorraine & Robert Soehl; Cynthia Pedemonti; Dave C.; Luke Denning; Jaden Maggio; Alease & Ken King; Donna Craft: Annabelle Littlefield: Doug Hopkinson: Karen Knapp: Sharon Callaghan; Tom C; Neil Barnett; Dan: Jaime: Al F.; Carol D.; 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 Tristan Baluski; Family of Joseph E. Cuneo; Family of Susan Schlotter.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ For the Birth of Avery Ray McDonald – parents Logan and Jenna; grandparents Laura and Tim McDonald! Thanks be to God for answered prayer!

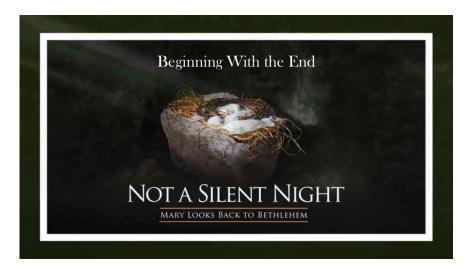
For Those Serving in the Military ~ Peter Borchester; Jordyn Breur; Luke Derflinger; Ellen Hammer: Gavin Hammer D'Adamo: Raymond Kitson: T. Ryan McDonald: Ryan Palmieri; Daniel Schenker; Jason Schenker; for all Soldiers; Sailors; Marines; Airmen; and Guards-Men/Women of our Armed Forces.

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 Aotearoa New Zealand, Australia; Texas, Utah; 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. Murphy; Praying an outpouring of God's spiritual renewal and healing of all the people of America.





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Advent Family: Dominic Gregoria & Lori Osborn Music Director: Matthew Holmberg Welcoming Team: Lori Osborn & Deb Waddell Head Ushers: Sherry Exel & Rick Waddell All Music Used with Permission – CCLI#2274807

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

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 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus UMH 196

*Call to Worship

What time is it? This is God's time!

What time is it? It is a time for peace.

What time is it? It is a time to get ready.

What time is it? It is time to worship and sing praise!

Young Disciples' Time

Advent Candle Lighting Liturgy

Hymn Shine, Jesus, Shine TFWS 2173

Prayer of Illumination

Slow us down, Lord. Help us set aside our worries and concerns, our lists and our distractions. Show us your ways, as we listen to your word. Teach us and train our hearts, we pray. Amen.

New Testament Lesson: Acts 1:8-14

Message: Not a Silent Night: "Beginning with the End"

*Hymn My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (vs. 1,3,4) UMH 368

*Affirmation of Faith UMH 882

Announcements

The Prayers of the People Bless the Lord TFWS 2013
Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord my soul who leads me into life.

Offering

Anthem: Emmanuel

*Doxology UMH 95

*Prayer of Dedication

God of all goodness, as we walk in the light of your love, we are blessed by the abundance of your gifts. You give us the beauty of nature, food to nourish our bodies, and communities to love and support us. Out of our abundance, we bring our gifts to you. May these gifts increase peace in our community and throughout the world. Amen.

Communion Hymn Come, Share the Lord TFWS 2269

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession

Holy One, we want to know your plan. We want to know when and how things will happen. You have shown us your ways and taught us to walk in the paths of peace. Teach us to trust your never-ending care, for our future is in your hands. Help us cast aside our holiday worries and live with Advent joy! 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

*Hymn Blessed Be the God of Isreal UMH 209

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 Nov. 23: Attendance ~ 65 in-person; 30 via YouTube Offerings: \$1,997.56 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,361.97 Plate: \$51.00 Breakfast (Pass-Thru): \$100.00 Hot Lunch: \$600.00

Thanksgiving Dinner: \$200.00

Harvest Fest: \$2,140.36 Food Pantry:\$150.00 Discretionary: \$437.00 Joy of Angels Deposit: \$ 2,474.27

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



ONLIN

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

Fundraising: TBD Finance: TBD

Church Council: Jan. 19 at 6PM Trustees: Dec. 15 (tentative)

Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for December 7 – Luke 2:33-35; John 19:25-30

The flowers that grace our Altar today are given in Glory to God;
And Remembering Eileen.

Hope Chest Food Pantry Needs...

*bottled juices *frozen dinners *frozen pizza

SHALOM Mission Needs paper towels – thank you!

Kids Christmas Party – Dec.6th 11AM to 1PM
GAMES // SNACKS // SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY SANTA CLAUS
ALL YOUTH AGES 4 THRU 12 ARE WELCOME!
FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT DOMINIC: (732) 904-9945

Lacey Christmas Parade ~ Sun. Dec 7th at 3PM
Help is needed in extending hospitality to those marching in the parade. Volunteers, please come at 1:00PM. THANK YOU!!!

Breakfast with the Pastor: December 8th at 9:30 AM Location: Kristy's, Waretown. Everyone is welcome!

Women's Ministry: You're Invited to attend a Christmas Dinner Concert on Dec. 9 at 6:30pm and/or NY Eve Dinner Concert at 6:30pm at American's Keswick in Whiting! For tickets and call 800-453-7942. Contact Dawn at - 732-232-7270 if you would like to car pool.

County Support Services at LUMC

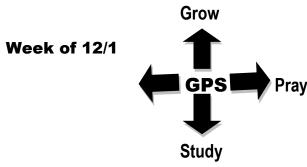
Dec. 9 10AM-1PM: Board of Social Services will be in Fellowship Hall to provide info. about their services.

Gift Cards for Providence House

We are collecting gift cards for Providence House Domestic Violence Services. Please see the red donation box on the back table for a list of recommended cards. Contact Dawn at 732-232-7270 with questions.

NexTrex Recycling Program is back!!!

When we collect more than 1,000 pounds of soft film plastics (NO CLAMSHELL/CLEAR PLASTIC CONTAINERS) in a 12-month span, we will be awarded a Trex® furniture bench for our Prayer Garden! Questions? Contact Laura McDonald at 609-276-0702.



| Week of 12/1 GPS Pray | coming Holy Spirit? What implications does this have for your understanding of the Trinity? |
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| Monday- Psalm 67 How does Psalm 67 encourage us to view God's blessings? Are they personal, communal, or global? | Saturday- Acts 1:8-14 How does the unity in prayer among the disciples and others in Acts 1:14 inspire your own prayer life and involvement in corporate prayer? |
| Tuesday- Psalm 67 How can you apply the principle of universal praise in your personal life? | Notes: |
| Wednesday- John 17:1-11 How does Jesus define "eternal life" in His prayer? | |
| Thursday- John 17:1-11 How can we apply Jesus' prayer for unity among believers to our relationships in the church today? | |
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Friday- Acts 1:8-14

How does the ascension of Jesus connect to His promise of the