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**For God's Healing & Discernment** ~ Covid sufferers & Care Givers; Diane & Elliott; Michael Claus; Paul Olsen; John E. Rue; Keith Gibbons; Christine Morgan; Joseph Ensinger; Michelle Reyes; Jeff Merceron; Mrs. Nunez; Lois Pozsar; Patrick Jemas; Helen Wooley; Gary; Sally Potter; Gary; Levi Kern; Greg R.; Frank Huscha; Rich Rosfjord; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Sara Carpini; Ronnie Sadowski; Nancy & Rev. George Reid; Andrea Almeida; Betty Carty; Cindy Kuch; Linda & John Ansbach; Bill Wehner; Rich C.; Chris Mignone; Denise Applegate; Randy M.; Lois; Sue & Rich Newman; Dawn Slate; Gail Matuska; Monika & Fred Sisbarro; Marilyn Slate; Shirley; Aubrey; Betty Carhart; Rosalie Mulvaney; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Frank & Mary Timmerman; Cynthia Pedemonti; Andrea Schenker; Helen DeLa Cruz; Peg Bea; Shannon Callaghan; Will Cotton; Carole Exel; Patricia Potter; Susan Schlotter; Joan McGavin; Phyllis Smith; Bill & Becky Buglione; Lorraine; Katrina & Peter Borchester; Don McErlean; Pat Grant; our whole Church Family.

*For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss* ~ Jayson *Cugliari Family; Don Reppert Family; Daniel Watkins Family; Kevin McGrath Family.* 

<u>Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer</u> ~ For the birth of Jarrett Emmanuel Chen Stapleton! Thanks be to God for answered prayer!

*For Those Serving in the Military* ~ Peter Borchester; Jordyn Breur; Kevin Carhart; 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.

<u>For Greater NJ Annual Conference</u> ~ Bishop John & Beverly Schol; DS Rev. Ronell Howard; all Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

<u>World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas</u> ~ People of Austria, Liechtenstein, Switzerland; Kentucky, Louisiana; 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; Praying an outpouring of God's spiritual renewal and healing of all the people of America.

**Lacey United Methodist Church** February 11, 2024



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Email: laceyumcnj@gmail.com Website: www.laceyumc.org Head of the Church - Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God Ministers: All of Us Liturgist: Emmett Bivins Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Dominic Gregoria Music Director: Dawn Slate Special Music: Betty Carhart Guest Musician: Sue Gill Welcoming Team: Lori Osborn & Deb Waddell Head Ushers: Sherry Exel & Rick Waddell Thank You to All Who Share Their Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, Witness & Time! All Music Used with Permission – CCLI#2274807 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 and Announcements

# \*Hymn Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies UMH 173

# \*Call to Worship

The mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. **Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.** God's glory fills the earth, but sometimes we, like Elisha, do not think we are ready to encounter glory. **And yet, God's glory showed up anyway.** Sometimes we are like the disciples who witnessed Jesus' transfiguration and wanted to cling to that one glorious moment. **And yet, God called them down from the mountain.** So, we gather today, some of us feeling ready and some of us feeling wholly unprepared, yet all are called together to worship and to be led by glory out into the world. **God, may we perceive your glory all around us, pointing us in the way you would have us go. Amen.** 

# Young Disciples' Time

# **Prayer for Illumination**

Light of light, True God of true God, as you spoke from the pillar of cloud to Moses and the people, so you spoke from the bright cloud to Jesus and his disciples. May your word live through us today, that our world of sorrow may be transfigured into joy. Amen.

Gospel Lesson: Mark 9:2-9

Message: Rebuild: "Rebuilding with Peter"

*Hymn	Where He Leads Me	UMH 338
*Affirmation of Faith		UMH 884
Pastoral Prayer		
Offering Anthem: One Bro	ead, One Body	UMH 620
*Doxology		UMH 95

### \*Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, as we remember Christ's transfiguration, we stand in awe of the glimpse of your glory revealed on the mountain. Just as Peter, James, and John witnessed the radiant presence of Christ, we, too, are transformed by your love and grace. As we offer our tithes and offerings, may these gifts reflect the warming light of your love in our lives. Just as Jesus was transfigured before them, may our hearts be transformed, and our actions reflect the love and truth Jesus embodies. Bless our giving and use it to bring your divine light to a world in need. In the name of Jesus, our Lord, we pray. Amen.

#### The Invitation

# **Prayer of Confession**

Patient Lord, you know how accustomed we are to "magic" tricks. Our spirits and our senses get fooled easily. We would be just like the disciples, at first not believing what we were seeing and then wanting to make a monument to the event. Thank you for being so patient with us. Forgive us when we get so wrapped up in the moment that we don't take time enough to understand its significance. Help us pause, reflect, think, and thank you for the blessings of unexpected revelations. Give us wisdom and strength to be your disciples, proclaiming your transforming love to all people. 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

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs from under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us, Amen.

# **The Reception**

# **Prayer of Gratitude**

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*Hymn

O How I Love Jesus

Benediction and \*Postlude

UMH 170

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** Statistics February 4, 2024:

Attendance ~ 52 in-person; 30 via YouTube Offerings: \$1,790.00 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,447.66 Plate: \$46.00 Hospitality: \$25.00 NA/AA Rent: \$250.00 Discretionary: \$165.00 Joy of Angels Deposit: \$963.50

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!!

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.

Hope Chest Food Pantry Needs...shelf-stable milk and juice! Drop off at the LUMC office during the week or after worship.

**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



# Please help us complete the Sanctuary Altar Flooring

All you have to do is buy ShopRite cards through LUMC! ShopRite makes a \$50 donation to LUMC for every \$1,000 we sell in ShopRite gift cards! Cards are available through the LUMC Office.

# Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

# Normal Hours of Operation:

Tuesday ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM Wednesday ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM Thursday ~ 8:00AM – 4:00PM Friday ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM Saturday ~ 10:00AM – 4:00PM



A The Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe is a vital mission of Lacey UMC.
Volunteers are needed to help extend the hours of operation.

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We're social! Like & follow us on... LUMC: Facebook, Instagram, & YouTube Hope Chest Food Pantry: Facebook Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe: Facebook Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for *February 18th – Leviticus 1:3-9, Hebrews 10:4-10* 

Ash Wednesday – February 14 Drive Thru Ashes: 3PM to 4PM at LUMC Worship Service: 7 PM at FR Presbyterian Church, 131 N. Main Street, Forked River

# Praise Team Practice – Tuesdays at 6PM

Christine Urban will be leading our Praise Team through Easter! Interested in joining Praise Team? No prior experience necessary; all you need is a desire to sing! Please contact Christine at 609-693-6853 for more info.

# **County Support Services at LUMC**

Tues., Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> 9:30AM-1:30PM: OC Board of Social Services will be in Fellowship Hall to provide info. about their services.

**Thurs., Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> 11AM-1PM:** OC Board of Health will be holding a vaccine and information clinic in Fellowship Hall.

# **Upcoming Meetings**

**Fundraising:** Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 6PM at **Monika's home**. 118 Heatherington Ct., Lanoka Harbor. 732-503-0363 **Trustees**: February 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM **Church Council**: February 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:30PM

### WHITE ELEPHANT Gift Exchange TODAY! Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> 11:30am in Fellowship Hall

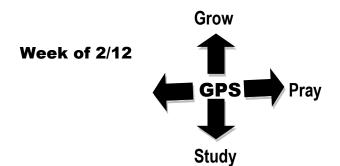
All you need to bring is a wrapped gift to exchange (valued up to \$10), a smile, and a sense of humor! Everyone is welcome! © Re-gifting is strongly encouraged. © Contact Dawn Marie Kuch or the LUMC Office for more information.

Monthly Pastor's Breakfast: February 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM at Lacey Perkins. Everyone is welcome!

"Sisters in Faith" invite you to see *Rabbit Hole* at OCC's Grunin Center for the Arts on **Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30PM! ALL** are welcome and invited. Please visit *grunincenter.org* to order tickets and for information about the play.

# Offering Envelopes are available!

The envelopes are on the table as you walk into the Sanctuary. The ushers will be happy to answer any questions you have. Please remember to write your number on the front of the envelope to ensure your giving is recorded!



#### Monday- Mark 9:2-9

Does all matter reflect the spiritual?

# Tuesday- Mark 9:2-9

Do you sometimes miss the presence of the spiritual in everyday life? How could you pay closer attention to the spiritual?

### Wednesday- Mark 9:10-13, 30-37

Why does the text say Jesus must suffer and die?

Thursday- Mark 9:30-37 From where does greatness come?

# Friday- Mark 9:30-37

What is the principal characteristic of a child? How could you nuture this characteristic in yourself?

### Saturday- Mark 9:38-50

What things cause you to sin? How can you get them out of your life?

# Notes: