

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Covid sufferers & Care Givers; Virginia Schoeneberg; Peg & Will Cotton; Dawn Slate; Carole Exel; Karen; Tom & Mary; Terry H.; Peg Bea; Davette & Leslie Bivins; Lizzie Britton; Linda & John Ansbach; Saccal Family; Evelyn Handchen; Patricia Potter; Michael Potter; Sara Carpini; Joseph; Chuck Neroda; Rosalie Mulvaney; Ed & Monique Wojciechowski; Beccari Family; Emmett & Gloria Bivins; Ellen Larney; Brittney; Diane Collins; Rick & Ashleigh Handchen; Marousis Family; Mary Rose K.; George & Adrienne Melnyk; Ike & Joan Icenhower; Thomas Helle; Susan Schlotter; Daryl Simmons; Dee & Paul Burrowes; Colleen Brandt; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Ray MacPherson; Larry Radomski; Barkley Family; Mihalkovitz/Przybylski Families; Marjorie Moore; Bev Krott; Charles Cometa Jr.; Peggy LaPorta; Sandi Smith; Gesine Klein; Joan McGavin; Cindy Dreher; Nancy Dean; Allyson Cotton; Lisa Burger; Patricia Potter; Sally & Trevor Potter; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; BettyAnn Britton; Tommy Britton; Dawn Marie & Stash Kuch; Kyle Kuch; Gail Matuska; Phyllis Smith; Bill Jones; Sue & Rich Newman; Bill Hults; 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; Phillip Schoenberger/Buglione Family; Patrick Callaghan Family; Debby Nugent Family; Dee Cala Family; Robert Bea Family; Christine Coram Family.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ Thanks be to God for answered prayer! For the birth of James Frederick Stapleton! Birth of Stormi Witty!

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; & 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 Dr. Gina Hendrickson; all Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas ~ People of Oceania: American Samoa, Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia, Kanaky, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu; Rhode Island, South Carolina; 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 7, 2021

Enough

When Dreams Become Nightmares

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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*

Prelude

Standing on the Promises

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: We gather for worship as children of God.

People: We come to remember who and whose we are.

Leader: We gather for worship to be renewed in our faith.

People: We come with hearts open to receive God's love.

Leader: We gather for worship to catch a vision of what might be.

People: We come ready to change what is.

Leader: We gather for worship in gratitude for all we have been given.

People: With thanksgiving, we lift our voices in songs of praise.

***Hymn**

Happy the Home

Sacrament of Baptism

Please welcome our Sister in Christ Ayla Brynn Spranger

***Hymn**

Since Jesus Came Into My Heart

Prayer for Illumination

Since we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth, make us hunger for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Message: Enough: "When Dreams Become Nightmares"

***Praise Song**

Seasons

Pastoral Prayer

Ministry of Giving and Prayer of Dedication

Remind us that you call us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Help us, God, to exhibit the characteristics of gentleness, joy, generosity, and self-control. Bless this offering which supports those various ministries that enable people to live by the Spirit. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Hymn**

Let Us Break Bread Together

Prayer of Confession

The Divine Gardener cannot sow seeds of justice and peace where there is nothing but hearts of dry, hard rocks. We confess that our hearts may need tilling and the digging out of the deeply rooted sins that crowd out seedlings planted with divine compassion.

God of steadfast love, you change bitter tears of remorseful hearts with raindrops of mercy,

Now let us germinate a new life, growing with integrity!

(Time of Silent Confession and Reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

Divine Gardener,

You tend us in steadfast love, unending mercies, and eternal faithfulness; you cultivate true friendship with you through boundless forgiveness.

In Christ, this faithful love is planted in our hearts.

Gathered as your community of believers, our family of faith, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us, we can now produce forgiveness for each other as we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Lord's Prayer

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Gratitude

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and forever. Amen!

***Praise Song**

You Make Me Brave

Benediction

***Postlude**

Halle Halle Hallelujah

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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.

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
November 14 – Luke 18:18-30*

Holy Grounds Coffee Hour Volunteers are needed to MISSION! Please see Pastor Jonathan if you can help us!

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Statistics for October 31st will be posted in the November 14th bulletin. Thank you!

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:

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 - 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



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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!

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!

Drama Club at LUMC – Tuesdays 5pm-6:30pm

Contact Dominic 732.904.9945 or donnieg777@hotmail.com for info.
Open to all children and youth, reading age and up!

Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

Hours of Operation: Thursdays ~ 8:00AM – 11:00AM
Fridays & Saturdays ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM

⇒ Volunteers are needed to extend hours/days of operation. ⇐
Please contact Elaine Brandt to learn how you can support this vital mission of LUMC!

Upcoming Church-Wide Discussions

Wednesday, Nov. 17th at 7:30pm: Rev. Dr. Drew Dyson will be discussing the work of the GNJ Methodists for Full Inclusion and their hope for the post-separation UMC

Monday, Nov. 22nd at 7:30pm: Beth Caulfield will be discussing the work of the Wesleyan Covenant Association and the coming Global Methodist Church.

All church members are welcome. Discussions will be held in the Sanctuary and streamed on our YouTube channel.

Congregational “Listening Sessions”

Wednesday, Nov. 10th at 7:00 PM at the home of
Dennis Pontani & Daisy Sun.

Space is limited. Please contact the LUMC Office to rsvp.

Calling All children & Youth

Sunday School: All are welcome! (K-12th Grade)

Confirmation Class: Forming soon. Please contact the LUMC Office for registration details (5th Grade and older)

Youth Group: Fridays 6:30PM (5th Grade and older)

☪ United Methodist Women Meeting ☪

Thursday, November 18 at 6PM at Perkins, Forked River.
Contact Monique at 732-492-1494 for more information.
All women are invited to join!

Thanksgiving Happenings

Sunday, Nov. 21 – Interfaith Worship Service 7:00 PM

Monday, Nov. 22 – Fall Lacey Farmers' Market

Nov. 25 – Thanksgiving Dinner - 1:00pm in Fellowship Hall.

Please contact the LUMC office 609.693.5222 to rsvp.

Hanging of the Greens - November 27th 8am – 12pm

Our yearly tradition of decorating the Sanctuary for the Christmas season. All are welcome!!!

