

LUMC'S COMMUNITY REVELATIONS

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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR JONATHAN CAMPBELL



The believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the community, to their shared meals, and to their prayers. A sense of awe came over everyone. God performed many wonders and signs through the apostles. All the believers were united and shared everything. They would sell pieces of property and possessions and distribute the proceeds to everyone who needed them. Every day, they met together in

the temple and ate in their homes. They shared food with gladness and simplicity. They praised God and demonstrated God's goodness to everyone. The Lord added daily to the community those who were being saved. (Acts 2: 42 – 47)

As I transition into becoming Lacey UMC's new pastor, I want to express both excitement and gratitude. I am very excited to be called to journey alongside you in ministry and to see where the Holy Spirit will lead us. I also want to express my deep gratitude for the amazing work the Holy Spirit has done through Pastor Linda. God has grown an amazing ministry through Linda's leadership and your hard work and passion. I'm very grateful for the foundation that has been laid at Lacey UMC.

Here are some facts about me. I have been a full-elder in GNJAC since 2013. I have served many churches during my time in the Conference. I also worked as Operations Director at CUMAC – ECHO, a large feeding and ministry center in Paterson, New Jersey. I am also privileged to serve the GNJAC as the Peace with Justice Coordinator and the UMC denomination as the co-chair of the United Methodist Association of Ministers with Disabilities. Most importantly, I am blessed to be the father of three amazing young men: Jeremiah (17), Nathan (14), and Christopher (soon to be 12).

After Linda's eighteen years of amazing leadership, it will take some time for you and others to become accustomed to my style of servant leadership. I am sure many of you have questions and concerns about the changes my leadership will bring. That is the reason I began this piece with a passage from Acts 2. I believe we, as followers of Jesus, are called to reclaim the model of ministry found in Acts 2: devoting ourselves to God, prayer, Scripture, Holy Communion, each other, and to serving those in

need. We together must find ways to truly devote ourselves to these Grace-filled pillars of the Acts community. We also must find ways to help others outside Lacey UMC to experience these essential means of Grace. This will require us to both recapture ancient Christian practices, as well as, create new practices for this specific time and place. This is the exciting path God has called us to travel together! Acts 2 teaches us the Holy Spirit used these pillars of the faith to bring an extremely diverse group of individuals together to form a devoted community that changed the world. I believe the Holy Spirit can and will do this again in our community of faith.

In Christ's Love,

Pastor Jonathan

