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

For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Irene: Lorraine & Robert Soehl: Cynthia Pedemonti; Dave C.; Luke Denning; Jaden Maggio; Alease & Ken King; Donna Craft; Susan Schlotter: 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 Arnold Theuer: Family of Gail Matuska.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ Answered prayers for Kayla Davis! For the Birth of John Davie (JD) Longo – parents Sara and Luca; grandparents Deb and Rick Waddell! 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 Lacev'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; Massachusetts, Michigan; 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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Head of the Church - Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Helen Dela Cruz

Guest Pastor: Rev. Brian Roberts Liturgist: Sheryl Lutgen 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 Blessed Assurance UMH 369

\*Call to Worship

Let us gather to listen deeply. **Word of God, speak.** Let us gather with childlike faith. **Ageless wisdom, reveal.** Word of God, speak. **Your servants are listening.** 

Young Disciples' Time

Prayer of Illumination

May our lives reflect the challenging messages of scripture. May love guide our path and may courage light our way. Amen.

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 13: 3-8a, 14:1a Litany of Love (The Message & NIV compilation)

L: Love is patient, never giving up.

R: Love cares more for others than for self.

L: Love doesn't want what it doesn't have. R: Love doesn't strut,

L: Doesn't have a swelled head, **R: Doesn't force itself on others,** L: Isn't always "me first," **R: Doesn't fly off the handle,** 

L: Doesn't keep score of other's wrongs, R: Doesn't revel when others grovel,

L: Takes joy in the truth, R: Love always protects,

L: always trusts, R: always hopes,

ALL: Love never dies. ... now abide these three

L: Faith steadily R: Hope unswervingly,

L: Love extravagantly! R: And the greatest of the three is love.

ALL: Go after a life of love as if your life depends on it—because it does. Make LOVE your aim!

Message: Spiritual DNA:

Connecting FAITH, Creative HOPE & Catalytic LOVE

\*Hymn Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) W&S 3104

\*Affirmation of Faith UMH 880

Pastoral Prayer and Announcements

Offering

Anthem: Love Lifted Me W&S 3101

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

Bless these gifts, O God, with your love, your strength, and your presence. May the ministries this offering supports be a sign of your love, strength, and presence in the world. Amen.

**UMH 95** 

Communion Hymn In Remembrance of Me TFWS 2254

The Invitation

**Prayer of Confession** 

Gracious, loving God,

pour your love into our hearts and lives. Bless us with such overflowing grace that your love might flow within us and through us. Be patient with our impatience. Calm us with your patient love in all of our encounters. Forgive us and fill us with your grace, that we might extend loving forgiveness to others. In your loving name, we pray. Amen.

A Time of Silent Confession and Reflection

The Assurance of Pardon

Faith, hope, and love remain. But it is through the greatest of these, love, that we forgive and are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

Passing of the Peace

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Prayer of Consecration

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread and the Sharing of the Cup

The Prayer of Humble Access

The Reception

The Prayer of Gratitude

\*Hymn Victory in Jesus (v. 1,2) UMH 370

Benediction

Postlude Victory in Jesus (v. 3) UMH 370

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.

Pastoral care coverage during Pastor Jonathan's vacation: August 12<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>: Rev. Dawn Corlew at 609-338-9711

#### **FINANCIAL STATISTICS**

Statistics for August 10: Attendance ~ 48 in-person; 24 via YouTube Offerings: \$1,480.00 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,105.65 Plate: \$18.62 Blue Claws Tickets: \$36.00 Building Improvements: \$70.00 Donation from Vetwork: \$1,650.00

Discretionary: \$205.00 Joy of Angels Deposit: \$2,325.81

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!!!

"Shoe" Us the Love!!! We are collecting new or gently used pairs of shoes until September 12<sup>th</sup> for a fundraiser to benefit LUMC!

All sizes/styles accepted. Contact the Sheryl Lutgen for info.

### Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for August 24 – 1 John 4:7-21

Breakfast with the Pastor: September 8 at 9:30 AM at CJ's, Forked River. Everyone is welcome!

Charge Conference – Wed., October 22 at 6:00 PM
The Conference will be held in our Sanctuary.

### Upcoming Events

BAKE SALE at the Lacey Farmers' Market: August 29 | Sept. 19

## FANTASY FOOTBALL DRAFT Saturday, Aug. 30 12PM

At the home of Fred Sissbaro, 118 Heatherington Ct., LH. All are welcome to join the fun!

## BOUNTY OF THE BAY Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm-8:00pm

Appetizers, Entrees and Desserts from local restaurants. Donations of gift certificates for the Silent Auction are very appreciated! \$35 per adult.

The price increases to \$45 after September 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### **County Support Services at LUMC**

August 26 10AM-1PM: Board of Social Services will be in Fellowship Hall to provide info. about their services.
 August 28 10AM-1PM: Board of Senior Services will be in Fellowship Hall to provide info. about their services.
 Sept. 11 10AM-1PM: Board of Health will be in Fellowship Hall to provide screenings, info., and vaccines (if available)

⇒**Sunday School** returns on September 7<sup>th</sup>! Please contact Dominic Gregoria at 732-904-9945 for more information.

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

**Fundraising:** September 8 at 6PM **Finance**: August 27 at 5PM **Church Council**: Sept.15 at 6PM **Trustees**: Sept.15 at 5:30PM

There will be a **Celebration of Life Service for Gail Matuska** on Saturday, September 27 at 10:30 AM with a repass luncheon following in Fellowship Hall. Please rsvp to Diane at dianeparis54@gmail.com or text/call Jack at 973-725-1238 if you are planning on joining Gail's family at the luncheon.