

<>< *Lacey United Methodist Church Prayer Page* ><>

<>< YOUR WILL, LORD GOD, BE DONE ~ NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS, NOTHING ELSE <><

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.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ 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.

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

World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas ~ People of Andorra, Italy, Malta, Portugal, San Marino, Spain, Vatican City; Iowa, Kansas; 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 4, 2024



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Ministers: All of Us Liturgist: Rose Coram
Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Dominic Gregoria
Music Director: Dawn Slate Special Music: Betty Carhart
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 *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* (v. 1-3, 6) UMH 117**

***Call to Worship**

God's greatness is wondrous to behold.

Everywhere we look, we can see the imprint of God.

From the loftiest mountains to the crashing waters of the sea,

There God's greatness stands majestically.

God's greatness can be within the human heart. **Let us honor and praise God with acts of loving kindness and compassion. Amen.**

Prayers for Healing

Prayer for Illumination

O God, teach us the way that we should go; counsel us in the ways of life. We wait upon your teaching and counsel, for we are lost without it. Amen.

Epistle Lesson: 2 Corinthians 12:6-10

Message: Rebuild: "Rebuilding with Paul"

***Hymn *We'll Understand It Better By and By* UMH 525**

***Affirmation of Faith UMH 883**

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

***Anthem: What a Friend We Have in Jesus* UMH 526**

***Doxology UMH 95**

***Prayer of Dedication**

God of power and patience, we gather in worship to wait on your presence and to be filled with your power. Jesus healed with a touch and taught us that you are the source of the true healing that can make us whole. As we take time now in worship to offer our gifts to you, we pray that they might be used to bring healing: of body, of spirit, of broken relationships; healing of a planet that is groaning under our carelessness and greed; healing of a world community that is deeply divided by distrust and self-interest. We pray this in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession

You are the potter and we are the clay shaped by Your hands, glazed and fired in your kiln. You look upon us with delight and You perceive that which makes us irreplaceable to Your life. Forgive us for seeing others as broken. Forgive us for our ableism that treats their lives as unimportant. Forgive us for our lack of imagination, our lack of affirmation, and our outright denigration of Your beloved children. Give us awareness of the barriers we create for others. We have been uncaring. Open our hearts to Your desire for the inclusion of all. This is our humble cry to Jesus. 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 *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* TFWS 2158**

Benediction and *Postlude

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 January 28, 2024:

Attendance ~ 51 in-person; 22 via YouTube
Offerings: \$1,250.00 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,526.09 Plate: \$50.00
Building Improvements: \$1,870.00 Discretionary: \$82.00
Joy of Angels Deposit: \$1,297.40

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

Extended Hours!!!

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



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 11th – Mark 9:2-9*

Praise Team Practice – Starting Feb. 6th - Tues. 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.

Choral/Organ Concert – 4:30PM on February 4th
at Christ Episcopal Church, 415 Washington St., Toms River
Sacred Music | Brass Ensemble | Choir
Presented by American Guild of Organists. Free-will offering.

The OC Board of Health will be holding a **vaccine clinic** on
Thursday, February 8th from 11AM – 1PM at LUMC.
Appointments are not necessary – stop by to learn more!

Offering Envelopes for 2024 are available!

The envelopes are on the table as you walk into the Sanctuary.
Don't have an envelope number yet? No problem! Available numbers are highlighted in yellow on the sign-up sheet – simply write your name on the corresponding line and take a box to start using this week! **Please remember to write your number on the front of the envelope to ensure your giving is recorded!**

Upcoming Meetings

Fundraising: Monday, February 12th at 6PM
Trustees: February 19th at 5:30PM
Church Council: February 19th beginning at 6:30PM

WHITE ELEPHANT Gift Exchange

Sunday, February 11th 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 12th at 9:30 AM
at Lacey Perkins. Everyone is welcome!

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

