

<>< *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; Michael Niejako; Ronald Slate; Frank & Mary Timmerman; Cynthia Pedemonti; Andrea Schenker; Helen DeLa Cruz; Evelyn Handchen; Alicia; Dave H.; Marie Yarger; Rosalie Mulvaney; Peg Bea; Jonathan Rock; Kyle; Joe Bence; Shannon Callaghan; Rachel C.; Louise; Michelle Reyes; Pete & Kathy Jensen; Virginia Schoeneberg; George Reid; Will Cotton; Dawn Slate; Carole Exel; Karen; Tom & Mary; Terry H.; Davette & Leslie Bivins; Lizzie Britton; Linda & John Ansbach; Patricia Potter; Michael Potter; Sara Carpini; Joseph; Ed & Monique Wojciechowski; Beccari Family; Emmett & Gloria Bivins; Ellen Larney; Brittney; Diane Collins; Rick & Ashleigh Handchen; Marousis Family; George & Adrienne Melnyk; Ike & Joan Icenhower; Thomas Helle; Susan Schlotter; Dee & Paul Burrowes; Colleen Brandt; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Barkley Family; Charles Cometa Jr.; Peggy LaPorta; 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; Nick Juliano Family; Marjorie Moore Family; Sandi Smith Family.

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ Thanks be to God for answered prayer! For the birth of Reina Jovita Chen to parents Jarrett and Kyrsten Stapleton! For the birth of Elliana Rae to parents Evelyn & Luke Kern! For the birth of Jonathan Rock to parents Jeanette & Jeff Rudzonis!

For Those Serving in the Military ~ Peter Borchester; Jordyn Breur; Kevin Carhart; Luke Derfinger; 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. Héctor A. Burgos; all Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas ~ People of Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, Russia; New Hampshire, New Jersey; 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 Easter Sunday ~ April 17, 2022
Welcome in the Name of Jesus Christ to All Visitors, Members, Family and Friends!
Liturgists: Rose Coram, Christopher Campbell, Olivia Dacus, Kenshin Frangos
** Please feel free to rise in body or spirit*
All Music Used with Permission – CCLI#2274807

Prelude and Welcome

***Hymn Christ the Lord is Risen Today UMH 302**
Please stand, as you are able, as the Light of Christ enters.

Call to Worship

This is a new day! A day of marvels and miracles! A day to rejoice in what God has done! Yesterday was filled with too many worries and too little faith. **On this Easter morning, we hear the old folks saying, “Mary don’t you weep!”** This is a new day! A day of marvels and miracles! A day to rejoice in what God has done! Yesterday was filled with too much criticism and too little affirmation. **Today, Martha, don’t you moan!** This is a new day! A day of marvels and miracles! A day to rejoice in what God has done! Yesterday was filled with too many questions and too few answers. **This is Easter morning: dry your tears and shout for joy! Jesus is not dead. He is Alive! God has conquered death and Jesus has canceled sin. This is, indeed, a new day! Leap for joy!**

Young Disciples’ Time

Prayer for Illumination

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

Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:1-12

Message: Follow Me: “Living a Resurrected Life”

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Anthem

Scars in Heaven

***Doxology**

Offertory Prayer

Mighty God of Resurrection Power: You offer us life that

overcomes death, light that overcomes darkness, hope that overcomes our deepest despair! What response could we offer? Our tithes and gifts, yes; but our minds, hearts, bodies, and witness as well. May our minds be about understanding who you are and who you long for us to be in this world. May our hearts overflow with your love and compassion for the poor, the oppressed, and the forgotten. May our bodies carry us out of the tombs of isolation to engage our neighbors as sisters and brothers. May our witness be the “Alleluias!” we take with us to bring hope to everyone we meet! In the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

***Hymn Up From the Grave He Arose UMH 322**

Prayer of Confession

Holy, Holy, Holy God, as we draw near to the mouth of the tomb and find the stone rolled away, as we bend with racing hearts to look inside, we are struck dumb. All our words are as prattle before the awe and majesty of your power. In silence, we bow before you, for we have fallen short of the glory for which you created us

(Time of Silent Confession and Reflection)

Lord, have mercy upon us, and make us worthy to be called your own.

Assurance of Pardon

In the empty tomb, God declares that nothing can separate us from the love of God; nothing we have done, or left undone; no one whom we have been or failed to be. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Friends, believe the good news: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! **Alleluia! Amen.**

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Lord’s Prayer

Prayer of Gratitude

Out of your abundance you have fed us what we need, sparing none of your good gifts in Jesus Christ. Thank you, Lord. Thank you! Now may we live as you taught us. Amen.

***Hymn Because He Lives UMH 364**

Benediction and Taking the Light of Christ into the World

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 – April 10, 2022

Attendance ~ 80 in-person; 26 via YouTube

Offerings ~ \$1,232.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$1,251.64

Plate ~ \$70.00 In Memorial ~ \$25.00

Lent Dinner Service 4/8 ~ \$92.00 Discretionary ~ \$406.00

“Match” Donation ~ \$1,043.00 Dessert & Show ~ \$495.00

The “Alfred Grant grant” ~ \$7,699.04 Easter Flowers ~ \$66.00

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!!

Shop Online? Here are two ways you could earn donations for LUMC!

✓ umcmarket.org - You earn for LUMC every time you click through the umcmarket.org site to shop. Sign up for free at umcmarket.org!

✓ amazonsmile.com - Support LUMC by starting your Amazon shopping at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2279634>

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



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!

Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

Hours of Operation: Thursdays ~ 8:00AM – 11:00AM

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, & Saturdays ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM

Please contact Elaine Brandt to volunteer at the Thrift Shoppe!

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
Sunday, April 24 – Luke 19:28-40*

Bible Study Opportunities

✠ Wednesday mornings at 9:00am.

✠ Wednesday evenings at 6:15pm at the home of Donna Jones.
Please contact Donna at 609-276-7383 for more information.

✠ Thursday evenings at 6:45pm.

Sports Memorabilia Show

Saturday April 23 8AM-3PM

Autographs by NY Yankee, Mickey Rivers!

Vendors/Food in Fellowship Hall. \$2 donation to LUMC.

👂 Volunteers are needed to help in the kitchen and to work the door. Any time you can spare is appreciated!

Please contact Maddie at 609-501-4207 if you can help!

Car Show & Flea Market - Saturday, April 30th - 9AM-2PM

Food available to purchase!

Car Show: In honor of Manny “The Hat” Naia. Trophies/Music

Visit jerseyshorecarshows.com for an application.

Flea Market: \$10 a table. Space is limited.

Visit laceyumc.org for a flea market registration form.

Old Fashioned Tea Sunday, May 15 11:30am-1:30pm

Tickets: \$20pp. Donations of diapers are requested for Makers

Place, Trenton. Proceeds to benefit “Barbara’s Place at

American’s Keswick. Reservations required.

Contact the LUMC Office to reserve your tickets!

Summer Sermon Series Pastor Jonathan will be preaching from one book of the bible all summer. Please let the office know which book from the list below you would like to study together during Sunday Morning worship...

1. Gospel of Mark
2. Letter to the Romans
3. Proverbs (Book of Wisdom)
4. 2 Samuel (About David's time as King)

Volunteers needed for VBS! We will be teaming up with our friends from FR Presbyterian church for VBS in late July. Please contact Eric DeLa Cruz at 609-709-9713 if you can help!