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**For God's Healing & Discernment** ~ Jay Youngs; Victoria Krauss; Carole Exel; Steven Exel; Tiny; Marsha Brandt; Daryl Mafia; Jason Gilman; Paul Rue; Pat Stack; Ed Weisbrot; Carole Jansen; Bob Pentland; Bob Wynn & Denise Vaccaro; Ellen Larney; Christine Urban; Dale Stucky; Suzy; Steve Woodward; Bob & Pam Marsh; Sadie; Kyle Wilhelm; Nancy & Rev. George Reid; Sally Potter; Danny Huyler; Mel Rosenbloom; Donna Craft: Diane F.; Michael Claus; John E. Rue; Christine Morgan; Joseph Ensinger; Michelle Reyes; Jeff Merceron; Mrs. Nunez; Lois Pozsar; Patrick Jemas; Helen Wooley; Gary; Levi Kern; Greg R.; Rich Rosfjord; Kenny & Kathie Pitman; Sara Carpini; Andrea Almeida; Linda & John Ansbach; Bill Wehner; Rich C.; Chris Mignone; 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; Patricia Potter; Susan Schlotter; Joan McGavin; Phyllis Smith; Bill & Becky Buglione; Lorraine; Katrina & Peter Borchester; Pat Grant; our whole Church Family.

**For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss** ~ Family of Kathleen McDonough; Family of Michael Santos.

**<u>Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer</u>** ~ For the Birth of Sofia Marie – parents Christina & Nicholas Iapicco; 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.

<u>For Greater NJ Annual Conference</u> ~ Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi; DS Rev. Ronell Howard; Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

<u>World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas</u> ~ People of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Peru; Washington, West Virginia; 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.





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Head of the Church - Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God Pastor: Jonathan Campbell Lay Leader: Dominic Gregoria Music Director: Matthew Holmberg Liturgist: Randi Vaccaro 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

\*Hymn Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (Vs. 1,4) UMH 103

\*Call to Worship Live in God's love! Let that love be poured out for all God's people! Bring hope and peace to all whom you meet. We are called to be God's witnesses. Celebrate and rejoice. Praise be to God who has called, healed, and given us a ministry of peace. Amen.

# Young Disciples' Time

# Prayer of Illumination

Dear God, as we hear your word, may we be transformed into a true community of believers, ready to go into the world to testify that Christ is alive and active in our lives today. Amen.

Epistle Lesson: 1 Peter 3:15

New Testament Lesson: Acts 25:1-12

Message: Gol: "Standing Trial"

*Hymn	Here I Am to Worship	W&S 3177		
Affirmation of Faith		UMH 883		
Pastoral Prayer and Announcements				
Offering Anthem: In Christ	Alone	W&S 3105		
*Doxology		UMH 95		
*Praver of Dedicatio	n			

# Giver of all gifts,

we are grateful for your every blessing and for your presence through all of life—in our joys and fears, and in our hopes and fears. We pray for those who do not know the consolation of your presence in their lives, asking that you reveal yourself to them through the gifts we have given and through the lives we live. Reveal yourself, O God, that all your children may find their true home in you. Amen.

Communion Hymn	Fill My Cup, Lord	UMH 641
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The Invitation

# Prayer of Confession

Lord of mercy, there are so many times in our lives when we feel alone. We wonder where you are. We cry out to you in our confusion, pain, and hurt. And when you do not immediately grant the prayers of our cries, we begin to doubt that you even care or exist. Stop us from going down this path of selfdestruction. Help us look around and find the many ways in which you have blessed our lives. Forgive us when we are so quick to doubt and so arrogant in our demands of your responses. Give us a spirit of patience and willingness to be ready to hear your voice. Strengthen us for the ministries of love and hope that you have placed before us; for we ask this in Jesus' Name. 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 Sharing of the Cup

The Prayer of Humble Access

The Reception

Prayer of Gratitude

*Hymn	Here I Am Lord (Vs. 1,2)	UMH 593
Benediction		
Postlude	Here I Am Lord (Vs. 3)	UMH 593

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 Sept. 22, 2024: Attendance ~ 41 in-person; 22 via YouTube Offerings: \$991.00 Offerings via Vanco: \$1,285.67 Plate: \$20.00 NA/AA Rent: \$50.00 Harvest Fest: \$70.00 Bounty of the Bay: \$280.00 Hot Lunch: \$5.00 Sale of Video Game: \$300.00 Discretionary: \$97.00 Joy of Angels Deposit: \$1,216.60

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.

# **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 or on Sundays after Worship.

# Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

# Normal Hours of Operation:

Tuesday ~ 10:00AM - 1:00PM Wed. ~ 10:00AM - 4:00PM Thursday ~ 8:00AM - 4:00PM Friday ~ 10:00AM - 4:00PM Saturday ~ 10:00AM - 4:00PM

A The Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe is a vital mission of Lacey UMC. Volunteers are needed to help extend the hours of operation. Contact Maddie Stapleton or Laura McDonald to learn more!!!

# **County Support Services at LUMC**

Tues., Oct. 1st10AM-1PM: Board of Social Services will be in<br/>Fellowship Hall to provide info. about their services.

Hope Chest Food Pantry Needs...snacks, fruit cups, oatmeal and juice! Drop off at the LUMC office or after worship.

Holy Grounds Coffee Hour - Today after Worship!

"Surviving the Election" Conversation with Pastor Don & Pastor Jonathan Tues., Oct. 15 at 6:30PM

Sunday School Parent Meeting - TODAY after Worship!

# J Praise Team Practice – Wednesdays at 6PM リノ

Men's Breakfast: Meeting Sat. 10/12 at 6:30AM

Church Conference – Saturday, October 19 at 10:00 AM The Conference will be held in our Sanctuary.

"Shoe" Us the Love!!! We are collecting new or gently used pairs of shoes for a fundraiser to benefit LUMC! All sizes/styles accepted. Contact the Sheryl Lutgen for info.

**October 22<sup>nd</sup> will be Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends"** fundraiser. Purchase a 25% off one-day shopping pass for only \$5!!! Contact the LUMC Office or see Joann after worship.

# **Upcoming Meetings**

Finance: Oct. 7th at 5:30 PMTrustees: October 7th at 7PMFundraising: Oct. 7th at 6:00 PMSisters-In-Faith: October 2024Church Council: November 18th

Monthly Pastor's Dinner: Oct. 18 at 6:00 PM at Kristy's in Waretown. Please rsvp to Joann. Everyone is welcome!

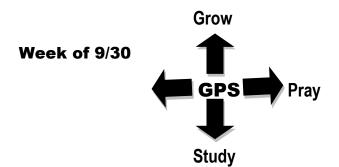
BOUNTY OF THE BAYTuesday Oct. 1st6:00pm-8:00pmAppetizers, Entrees and Desserts from local restaurants.\$35 Adults / \$10 children 8 yrs. and underSilent Auction!

**Women's Night** – October 16<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at the home of Diane Collins. Please bring an appetizer, snack, or dessert to share. Questions? Contact Diane at 609-618-7346.

Halloween Party – Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> 2PM to 5PM in Fellowship Hall Join us for games, snacks, and Halloween fun! Ages 3 to 12 yrs.

Volunteers welcome – please contact Dominic to sign up!

## HARVEST FEST ~ November 23<sup>rd</sup> 9<sub>AM</sub> - 2<sub>PM</sub> BAKED GOODS | HOMEMADE SOUPS & CHILI | PICS WITH SANTA (10AM-1PM) | CRAFTS | VENDORS Contact the LUMC Office 609.693.5222 for more information.



#### Monday- Read Acts 25

How would you describe the motives of Festus?

#### Tuesday- Acts 26:1-23

How have you seen the presence of God in your life this week?

## Wednesday- Acts 26:24-32

What were the reactions to Paul's speech? How did you react to it?

#### Thursday- Acts 27:1-26

Why do you think a ship in a storm is often used to illustrate the experience of faith?

## Friday- Read Acts 27:27-44

Why do you think Luke chose to have Paul's actions in verses 35-36 be reminiscent of the Lord's Supper?

#### Saturday- Read Acts 28

In what specific ways do you see yourself imitating the example and following in the footsteps of the two great leaders of the early church, Peter and Paul?

Notes: