

<>< *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; Brittney; Barbara Dmiczak; Casimir Kowalczyk; Diane Collins; Rick & Ashleigh Handchen; Marousis Family; Tom & Bonnie M.; Millie L.; Mary Rose K.; Alexa DeRose; George & Adrienne Melnyk; Ike & Joan Icenhower; Thomas Helle; Susan Schlotter; Daryl Simmons; Jay J; Nancy D; Dee & Paul Burrowes; Colleen Brandt; Peg & Bob Bea; Dottie & Bill Connolly; Ray MacPherson; Larry Radomski; Peg & Will Cotton; Barkley Family; Mihalkovitz/Przybylski Families; Marjorie Moore; Bev Krott; Charles Cometa Jr.; Peggy LaPorta; Sandi Smith; Terry S.; Gesine Klein; Tony Kosciuk, Dee & Jessica Maffucci; Joan McGavin; Cindy Dreher; Nancy Dean; Shannon Kelly Callahan; 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; Rosalie Mulvaney; 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; Crystal Handchen Family; Macon Cotton Jr. Family; Ellie Keyworth Family; Fred Weidemann Family; Bernie & Dot Novack's Family; Danny Taylor Family; Richard Dickon Family; Lazarus Family

Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer ~ Thanks be to God for answered prayer!

For Those Serving in the Military ~ Peter Borchester; Jordyn Breur; Kevin Carhart; Luke Derflinger; 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 Dr. Gina Hendrickson; all Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas ~ People of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia; South Dakota, Tennessee; 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**

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Sally Potter, Rich Rosfjord

Thank You to All Who Share Their Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, Witness & Time!

April 25, 2021

Welcome in the Name of Jesus Christ to All Visitors, Members, Family and Friends!

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Prayer

*God of grace and mercy,
the love you have shown us in Jesus is more than we deserve.
Your arms are open wide,
like a waiting father for his prodigal children,
ready to welcome and restore.*

*We come to you just now thirsting for your living water.
Guide us to the streams of your wonder and glory,
your justice and righteousness, your grace and mercy,
that we may drink and be satisfied,
renewed for our continuing journey with Jesus. **Amen.***

Hymn ~ God of Grace and God of Glory #577 Vs. 1&4

Young Disciples' Message

Prayer for Illumination

*Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that as the Scriptures are read and proclaimed, we may hear with
joy what you say to us today. **Amen.***

Scripture ~ John 4:4-29

Message: Questions from Our Youth -

“Could you tell us a little more about yourself?”

Praise Song ~ Give Me Jesus

Offered by Rose Coram, Sherry Exel, & Cynthia Pedemonti

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, hear the prayers of your thirsting people.

*For every time we have attributed your miracles in our lives
to our own hands alone,*

Forgive us, we pray.

*For every time we promised to trust you but turned to our own way
when your response did not come soon enough
or in the way we expected,*

Grant us mercy, O God.

*For the many opportunities to extend forgiveness
that we have refused,*

Show us what it means to love, again, dear Lord.

*For each way we put our own understandings above your wisdom,
for each time we resist your command to be reconciled with those
who believe differently from us,*

Direct us in the way of peace, we pray.

*For our silent sins, our quiet acts of violence,
and our indifference to the suffering round us,*

Forgive us, Loving One, and quench our thirst with your grace;

Remake us into vessels of tenderness and compassion.

For Christ’s sake we pray. Amen.

(A Moment of Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Because of God’s great love for us, we have peace with God and
access to God’s grace all through Jesus Christ*

*who, while we were still sinners, died to free us from the bondage of
sin. Therefore, we may ask of Christ to give us the living water that
quenches the dryness of our souls. In this we know we are forgiven.*

Thanks be to God!

Praise Song ~ Fill My Cup, Lord

Ministry of Giving and Prayer of Dedication

***Ever-present God who speaks in thunder and earthquakes and
in the softest whisper: we long to hear your voice over all the
noise of the world this day. In a world so divided and polarized,
we need to hear not only the voice of the Shepherd but the
cries of other sheep who are being marginalized, forgotten, and
abandoned. May the gifts we offer today be our response to
hearing the one who speaks in the language of love and
compassion. In his holy name, Amen.***

Hymn ~ This is a Day of New Beginnings #383 Vs. 1&4

Benediction

Postlude

Songs for Sunday, April 25, 2021

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God of Grace and God of Glory #577 Vs. 1&4

God of Grace, and God of glory,
On Thy people pour Thy power.
Crown Thine ancient church’s story,
Bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.

Save us from weak resignation
To the evils we deplore.
Let the search for Thy salvation,
Be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
Serving Thee whom we adore!
Serving Thee whole we adore.

Give Me Jesus

In the morning when I rise,
In the morning when I rise,
In the morning when I rise
Give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
You can have all this world,
But give me Jesus.

When I am alone,
When I am alone,
When I am alone,
Give me Jesus.

No matter what I face,
No matter what I face,
No matter what I face
Give me Jesus

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
You can have all this world,
But give me Jesus.

Take everything I have,
Take everything I have,
Take everything I have,
Give me Jesus.

And when I come to die,
And when I come to die
And when I come to die,
Give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
You can have all this world,
You can have all this world,
You can have all this world,
But give me Jesus.

Fill My Cup, Lord

Like the woman at the well I was seeking
For things that could not satisfy;
And then I heard my Savior speaking
"Draw from My well that never shall run dry."

Fill my cup, Lord, I lift it up, Lord!
Come and quench this thirsting in my soul.
Bread of heaven, feed me 'til I want no more-
Fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole!

There are millions in this world who are craving
The pleasure earthly things afford;
But none can match the wondrous treasure
That I find in Jesus Christ my Lord.

Fill my cup, Lord, I lift it up, Lord!
Come and quench this thirsting in my soul.
Bread of heaven, feed me 'til I want no more-
Fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole!

So, my brother, if the things this world gave you
Leave hungers that won't pass away,
My blessed Lord will come and save you,
If you kneel to Him and humbly pray:

Fill my cup, Lord, I lift it up, Lord!
Come and quench this thirsting in my soul.
Bread of heaven, feed me 'til I want no more-
Fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole!

This is a Day of New Beginnings #383 Vs. 1&4

This is a day of new beginnings
Time to remember and move on,
Time to believe what love is bringing
Laying to rest the pain that's gone.

Christ is alive and goes before us
To show and share what love can do
This is a day of new beginnings
Our God is making all things new.

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.

Virtual Bible Study Opportunities - Thursdays 9AM & 6:45 PM
Please contact the LUMC Office to receive the virtual link!

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!

FINANCIAL STATISTICS – April 18, 2021

Attendance ~ 39 in-person; 32 via Facebook Views

Envelope Offerings ~ \$2,010.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$840.23
Plate ~ \$20.00 Offerings via Facebook ~ \$55.00
Brick Campaign ~ \$1,350.00 Rent ~ \$100.00
Media Upgrade ~ \$2,000.00

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 - 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



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*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
Sunday, May 2 – John 6:51-58*

Membership class is forming at Lacey UMC

Interested in becoming a church member? Please contact the LUMC Office 609.693.5222 or laceyumcnj@gmail.com to learn more about our membership class!

Drama Club at LUMC – Tuesdays 5pm-6:30pm starting May 4th! This is a free club open to all children of reading age up until age 18. Children will learn acting techniques, improv, monologues, discipline, as well as how to prepare for an audition and work with scripts that deal with Christian themes. Contact Dominic 732.904.9945 or donnieg777@hotmail.com for info!

**Hope Chest Food Pantry is open on
Tuesdays & Thursdays from 12PM to 2PM!**

Free Meal Distribution on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12PM
Call the LUMC Office 609.693.5222 to register so we know how many meals are needed for your family. Thank you!

Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

Hours of Operation:

Thursdays ~ 8:00AM – 11:00AM
Fridays & Saturdays ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM

We are collecting gently used pairs of shoes for a fundraiser to benefit LUMC! All sizes/styles accepted. Questions? Contact Lori Osborn or the LUMC Office.

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!