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For God's Healing & Discernment ~ Covid sufferers & Care Givers; Peg Bea; Lizzie Britton; Saccal Family; Lily Rose; Evelyn Handchen; Patricia Potter; Michael Potter: Sara Carpini: Joseph: Dawn Slate: Chuck Neroda: Rosalie Mulvaney: Ed & Monique Wojciechowski; Beccari Family; Emmett & Gloria Bivins; Ellen Larney; Brittney; Diane Collins; Rick & Ashleigh Handchen; Marousis Family; Mary Rose K.; George & Adrienne Melnyk: Ike & Joan Icenhower: Thomas Helle: Susan Schlotter: Daryl Simmons; Dee & Paul Burrowes; Colleen Brandt; 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: 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.

<u>For God's Comfort & Strength during Time of Mourning and Loss</u> ~ Covid19 Victims; Robert Bea Family; Bob Weiss Family; Christine Coram Family; Stanley Bauman Family; Bob DiNorcia Family.

<u>Praise and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayer</u> ~ Thanks be to God for answered prayer! For the birth of James Frederick Stapleton!

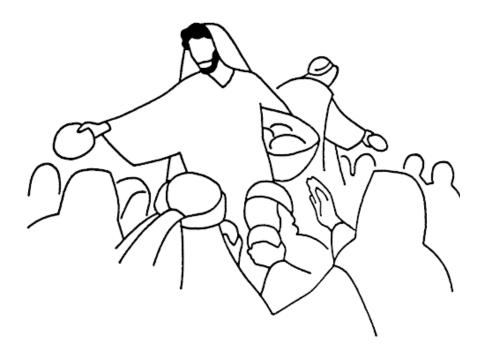
<u>For Those Serving in the Military</u> ~ Peter Borchester; Jordyn Breur; Kevin Carhart; Luke Derflinger; Randall D. Donithan; Ellen Hammer; Gavin Hammer D'Adamo; Raymond Kitson; James Lubbers; T. Ryan McDonald; Ryan Palmieri; Daniel Schenker; Jason Schenker; for all Soldiers; Sailors; Marines; Airmen; & 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.

<u>For Greater NJ Annual Conference</u> ~ Bishop John & Beverly Schol; DS Rev Dr. Gina Hendrickson; all Clergy and Laity of the Greater UMC Annual Conference & United Methodist Denomination

<u>World Council of Churches & USA Prayer Atlas</u> ~ People of Afghanistan, Benin, Cote d'Ivoire, Togo; Minnesota, Mississippi; 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.





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

September 12, 2021

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

Call to Worship

To those who are hungry, Jesus says:

"Come and eat! There's more than enough for all!"

To those who are thirsty, he says:

"Come and drink! It's free for the taking!"

Stop wasting your money on food that doesn't satisfy.

"Come to Me, and you will find everything you need!"

*Praise Song Welcome

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, give us humble, teachable, and obedient hearts, that we may receive what you have revealed, and do what you have commanded. **Amen.**

Gospel Lesson: Mark 8:1-9a

Message: Rally Day: "Stone Soup"

*Hymn What Feast of Love #3170

Affirmation of Faith UMH 883

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus,

the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God. We are called to be the church:

to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Generous God whose giving knows neither measure nor end, We confess that all too often we have kept our own hearts, hands and minds firmly closed.

Forgive us for those moments when the fear that sharing what we have will lead to our own impoverishment, has kept us silent and still when those around us are in need.

Forgive us for those situations when seeing only a problem rather than daring to dream a solution, has left us fettered and powerless where we might have been building your Kingdom.

Forgive us Father. Help us to transcend self-centeredness, greed and fear and to always feel, think and act as those who know the hope that is rooted in the generous giving of God.

(Time of Silent Confession and Reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

Through the power of the Holy Spirit within us, God is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine. So, hear and believe the good news that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

*Hymn

You Are My All In All #3040

Ministry of Giving and Prayer of Dedication

Merciful God,

The gifts we bring are so small in comparison to the vast needs in our world—nowhere near enough to save the thousands dying of starvation around the world, or even to meet the needs of the hungry and homeless in our own community. Yet we have brought what we can. As You once multiplied the loaves and fish, multiply these gifts as well, so that, once again, the hungry may receive all they need, and more. Amen.

*Hymn

Draw the Circle #3154

Benediction

Postlude

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TODAY! LUMC Church Picnic Sept. 12th Noon-3PM at the home of Donna & Bill Jones, 202 Station Drive, Forked River. Hope to see you there!

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.

<u>Holy Grounds Coffee Hour</u> Volunteers are needed to MISSION! Please see Pastor Jonathan if you can help us!

FINANCIAL STATISTICS - Sept. 5, 2021
Attendance ~ 35 in-person 25 via YouTube
Envelope Offerings ~ \$2,905.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$1,043.32
Plate ~ \$45.00 Rent ~ \$200.00

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!!

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



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

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!

Save the Date! October 20th will be Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" Shopping Fundraiser. Details to follow...

Monthly Pastor's Breakfast: 9:00 AM Monday, Sept. 13th at Lacey Perkins (Rt. 9, Forked River). Everyone is welcome to be part of the food, fellowship, and fun!

Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for **Sept. 19** – James 2:1-7, 14-17

"Life Together" Book Study starting soon!

Please join Pastor Jonathan for a six-week study of this Classic reflection on building a strong Christian community. If you are interested or have questions, please contact the office.

Joy of the Angels Thrift Shoppe

Hours of Operation: Thursdays $\sim 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM$ Fridays & Saturdays $\sim 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM$

⇒ Volunteers are needed to extend hours/days of operation. Please contact Elaine Brandt to learn how you can support this vital mission of LUMC!

Calling All Children & Youth

Sunday School: Starts Sept. 19th Contact Eric Dela Cruz or the LUMC Office for more information. (K-12th Grade)

Youth Group: Fridays 6:30PM (5th Grade and older)

Confirmation Class: Forming soon. Please contact the LUMC Office for registration details (5th Grade and older)

Lacey Day Sept 25th 12pm-4pm Gille Park

We are seeking volunteers to spend some time at the LUMC booth. Please let Joann know if you are able to volunteer at Lacey Day!

Drama Club at LUMC - Tuesdays 5pm-6:30pm

Contact Dominic 732.904.9945 or donnieg777@hotmail.com for info. Open to all children and youth, reading age and up!

I I LUMC Music Ministries I I

Please reach out to Dawn Slate if you are interested in joining Praise Team, Choir, or Chimes of Praise!

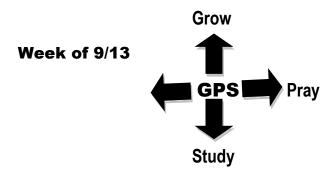
Sermon Series Planning Session Sunday, September 19 from 5:30-8 PM

All are invited to help plan the upcoming schedule of sermon series for LUMC. Dinner will be provided. Contact the LUMC Office if interested.

Northern Shore District Charge Conference Thursday, October 7 at 7:00 PM

The Conference will be virtual this year. Invitations will be emailed.

All church conference paperwork is due on Monday, Sept. 20.



Monday- Mark 8:1-9 What gift or ability do you feel you need more of to serve God. Write a prayer asking God to multiply it in your life.
Tuesday- Matthew 15:32-39 When have you doubted God's ablility to provide? How did God respond?
Wednesday- John 6:1-14 When has God used your gifts like the young man's to bless the larger community?
Thursday- Luke 9:12-17 How is God calling you to care for God's people?

Friday- Mark 6:31-44

Could the miracle have involved people sharing what they had? What is God calling you to share with others?
Saturday- Matthew 14:13-21
The passage mentions Jesus feed the crowd because he had
compassion on them. Who do you have compassion for?
How could you help them?
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