

<>< *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; Sue & Jim Pamos; Ellen Larney; 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; Richard Nauyoks 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 Indian Ocean Islands: Comoros, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, Seychelles; Wisconsin, Wyoming; 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!

May 23, 2021

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

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Prayer

**God of mystery and of judgment,
who has made us to be salt and light
in a tasteless, shadowed world,
guide us in this time of worship.
Grant us understanding and spiritual discernment
so that others may see your good works through us,
give you the glory, and be moved to serve you. Amen.**

Hymn ~ Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness #2120

Young Disciples' Message

Prayer for Illumination

God, source of all light, by your word you give light to the soul. Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.

Scripture ~ Matthew 5:13-16; 6:1-6

Message: "Sermon on the Mount: Practicing Piety"

Hymn ~ Spirit of the Living God #393

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Prayer of Confession

God of glory,

we confess that we have not sought your face.

We ignore the needs of the

poor and turn away from our own kin.

We allow the gospel to go stale,

and hide the light you have given.

Forgive us; give us grace.

By the renewing gifts of your Spirit

inspire and empower us again

to show the wonder of your love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

(A Moment of Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

The Lord upholds all who

are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Thanks be to God!

Hymn ~ Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart #500

Vs. 1,3,&5

Ministry of Giving and Prayer of Dedication

Living God, you are the Lord of all! Only you can send your Spirit to bring us new life. You graciously speak your word of hope in times of struggle and uncertainty and in times of joy and peace. We are grateful that you are continually at work in our lives and the world to fulfill your promises. May our giving today show our trust in you. We pray through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Hymn ~ We Are the Church #558

Benediction

Postlude

Songs for Sunday, May 23, 2021

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Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness #2120

Spirit, spirit of gentleness,

Blow through the wilderness,

Calling and free.

Spirit, spirit of restlessness,

Stir me from placidness,

Wind, wind on the sea.

You moved on the water,

You called to the deep,

Then you coaxed up mountain

From the valleys of sleep.

And over the eons,

You called to each thing

Wake from your slumbers

And rise on your wings.

Spirit, spirit of gentleness,

Blow through the wilderness,

Calling and free.

Spirit, spirit of restlessness,

Stir me from placidness,

Wind, wind on the sea.

You swept through the desert,

You stung with the sand,

And you goaded your people

With a law and a land.

And when they were blinded

with their idols and lies

Then you spoke through your prophets

To open their eyes.

Spirit, spirit of gentleness,

Blow through the wilderness,

Calling and free.

Spirit, spirit of restlessness,

Stir me from placidness,
Wind, wind on the sea.
You sang in a stable,
You cried from a hill,
Then you whispered in silence
When the whole world was still.
And down in the city,
You called once again
When you blew through your people
On the rush of the wind.

Spirit, spirit of gentleness,
Blow through the wilderness,
Calling and free.
Spirit, spirit of restlessness,
Stir me from placidness,
Wind, wind on the sea.

You call from tomorrow
You break ancient schemes,
From the bondage of sorrow
The captives dream dreams
Our women see visions,
Our men clear their eyes
With bold new decisions
Your people arise.

Spirit, spirit of gentleness,
Blow through the wilderness,
Calling and free.
Spirit, spirit of restlessness,
Stir me from placidness,
Wind, wind on the sea.

Spirit of the Living God #393

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart #500 Vs. 1,3,&5

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move.
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
And make me love Thee as I ought to love.

Hast thou not bid me, love Thee God and King?
All, all Thine own soul, heart and strength and mind.
I see thy cross, there teach my heart to cling,
O let me seek Thee, and oh let me find.

Teach me to love Thee, as Thine angels love.
One holy passion, filling all my frame.
The kindling of the heaven descended dove,
My heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

We Are The Church #558

I am the church, you are the church,
We are the church together.
All who follow Jesus, all around the world,
Yes, we're the church together.

The church is not a building,
the church is not a steeple
The church is not a resting place,
The church is the people.

I am the church, you are the church,
We are the church together.
All who follow Jesus, all around the world,
Yes, we're the church together.

We're many kinds of people,
With many kinds of faces,
All colors and all ages, too,
From all times and places....

I am the church, you are the church,
We are the church together.
All who follow Jesus, all around the world,
Yes, we're the church together.

And when the people gather,
There's singing and there's praying
There's laughing and there's crying sometimes,
All of it saying...

I am the church, you are the church,
We are the church together.
All who follow Jesus, all around the world,
Yes, we're the church together.

At Pentecost some people
Received the Holy Spirit
And told the Good News through the world
To all who would hear it...

I am the church, you are the church,
We are the church together.
All who follow Jesus, all around the world,
Yes, we're the church together.

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 – May 16, 2021

Attendance ~ 33 in-person; 28 via Facebook Views

Envelope Offerings ~ \$1,515.00 Offerings via Vanco ~ \$740.23
Plate ~ \$10.00 Rent ~ \$150.00

Thank you for your continued support of LUMC! We GREATLY appreciate your generosity! 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. GNJAC has set up separate accounts for every local Church if you would like to use your credit or debit card to share your tithe and offerings you may do so by visiting gnjumc.org/onlinegiving.
Thank you and God bless you!!

Replacement **WASHER** needed for the Connolly Center!
Please contact Michael Orlick or the LUMC Office if you know of a used washer that is available. Thank 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](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2279634) - 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!

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

*Scripture to read & pray over in preparation for
Sunday, May 30 – Matthew 6:7-15*

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

*If you would like to place flowers on the Altar on a certain date in honor
or in remembrance of a loved one,
please contact the LUMC Office 609-693-5222.*

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

This is a free club open to all children of reading age up until age 18. Contact Dominic 732.904.9945 or donnieg777@hotmail.com for info!

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
Fridays & Saturdays ~ 10:00AM – 1:00PM

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

☀ **Summer Lunch Program for Lacey's Kids** ☀

We are collecting **chicken noodle soup** and **canned tuna** to be distributed to participants. Drop off to Sherry Exel on Sundays or to the LUMC Office during the week!



**Dine to Donate Night at Wendy's
Tuesday, May 25 from 5PM-8PM**

Wendy's will donate 15% of sales to LUMC. All you need to do is share this event with all your friends and plan on ordering from the Lacey Wendy's!

Special Church Conference

Date: **Tuesday, June 1**

Time: **7:00 PM**

Virtually via BlueJeans

For the sole purpose of authorizing the Board of Trustees to execute all necessary documents in order to sell the premises known as 203 Lacey Road (Block 1412, Part of Lot 7) in the Township of Lacey, County of Ocean and State of New Jersey to the County of Ocean, New Jersey for the sum of Three Hundred and Sixty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$360,000.00) to be recorded on the Tax Map of the Township of Lacey and with the Clerk of Ocean Clerk and that the Chair of the Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to execute such documents as are necessary to perfect said conveyance. No other business is authorized to be considered. Notification is hereby given as per the requirements of the 2016 Book of Discipline, Paragraph 246.8. Reverend Jonathan Campbell will preside over this Conference.

**United Methodist Men's BBQ at the Parsonage
Saturday, June 12th from 12pm to 2pm
744 Devon Street, Forked River**

All the men of the congregation are invited to a BBQ at the parsonage to help plan and develop the future of LUMC's United Methodist Men. For more information and to RSVP, please contact the LUMC Office at 609.693.5222 or laceyumcnj@gmail.com

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL LUMC GRADUATES!

College Graduate:

Molly Newman, Bloomsburg

8th Grade Graduates:

Anthony Burger

Lea Michalkowski

Matthew Zonkowski

Abigail Michalkowski

Hayden Van Arsdale

Do you have a Child or Grandchild graduating?
Please let us know so we can celebrate this milestone with you!
Please call Joann in the Church Office – 609-693-5222