



Sunday, November 1, 2020

8:00am Online Worship

**Prophecies and Pottery: Journey with Jeremiah
All Saints Honored**

GUESTS, Welcome to worship. To learn more about us, please visit our website at www.unionucc.org or like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/unionneffs . If you would like us to follow up with you contact Pastor Kris at 610-767-6961, pastorkris@unionucc.org

NEW MEMBERS: Pastor Kris and our church leaders invite you to the gathering on November 22. We meet during the 9:15 hour in the Memory Room (Room 200) on the second floor if we are in person, or we will meet virtually by zoom. This is a time to get to know each other and ask questions. You will be welcomed as members in worship on November 29th. Attendance is not required to join. For more information email Pastor Kris.
pastorkris@unionucc.org

We believe in extravagant welcome. We believe in God's inclusive love. We start worship with a greeting that reflects that welcome and love.

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PRELUDE

For the Beauty of the Earth

Folliott S. Pierpoint

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

L No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey and faith's journey

C You are welcome here.

*BLACK HYMNAL #553 There Is A Balm In Gilead

Refrain: There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole
There is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul.

1. Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again

Refrain

2. Don't ever feel discourage for Jesus is your friend
Who, if you ask for knowledge will never fail to lend.

Refrain

3. If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul,
You an tell the love of Jesus, who died to save us all.

Refrain

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Ordinary saints, offering simple gifts:

All: A word of counsel in our need;

Leader: An embrace when the clouds hover near;

All: A listening ear for long buried memories

Leader: Saints in our midst:

All: Shedding light on our path;

Leader: Sprinkling hope through our days;

All: Seeding joy in our hearts.

Leader: Praise God for saints beyond time!

All: Praise God for saints who walk beside us.

A POEM

***“This Clay Jug”* by Kabir**

Inside this clay jug there are canyons
and pine mountains, and the maker of
canyons and pine mountains!

All seven oceans are inside, and
hundreds of millions of stars.

The acid that tests gold is there, and
the one who judges jewels.

And the music from the strings
no one touches, and the source of
all water.

If you want the truth, I will tell you
the truth:

Friend, listen:

the God whom I love is inside.

Prayer of Transformation Rev. Glenna T. Shepherd

II. Ready to be Fired

ONE: Skilled Potter God, I am your living clay.

**ALL: I am your soft, unformed, and being-shaped mass
of earth.**

ONE: Put me in fire, Skilled Potter God;

ALL: put me in your own bright fire.

ONE: I am warm, warm as you from fire.

**ALL: Soft and hard, shaped and purposeful. I am so
warm from fire.**

MUSIC: Softening My Way Bobby Jo Valentine

8x

I am a small — lump of clay — Here on this large
and love - ly earth, And yet be - fore I knew my name
You knew my form, you knew my worth. Long I re-sist -
ed my shape; Long I in-sist - ted on my own plans.
Now I am soft - en-ing my ways, I'm go-ing back to the pot -
- ter's hands.

Begin interlude

MONOLOGUES FROM THE POTTER'S HOUSE

Rev. Glenna T. Shepherd "A jug of oil"

MUSIC: Softening My Way Bobby Jo Valentine

CHILDREN'S TIME

In the Grove with Mrs. Maryann Puia

Online - Watch for Mrs. Puia on Facebook and our
YouTube Channel during the week.

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

18 My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. **19** Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") **20** "The harvest is past,

the summer is ended, and we are not saved." **21** For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. **22** Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? **1** O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

MESSAGE

Vessels: Healing Tears

Pastor Kayli Freeman

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE ENTERED THEIR ETERNAL REST SINCE NOVEMBER 1, 2019-NOVEMBER 1, 2020

Today we remember and give thanks for those church members who have passed away this year and those for whom our pastors presided over funerals.

We name them:

Janet Bachman

Jean Barone

Eunice Diehl

Charles Fink

Curtis Frantz

Richard Gemmel

Carl Heintzelman

Raymond Hoffman

Charles Horwith

Norman Hunsicker

George M. Kern

Warren Kuntz

Shirley McFarland

Betty McGee

Sandro Micocci

Ruth Miller

Hilda Nagel

Mervin Peters

Delores Rader

Rhonda Santilli

Tricia Scripture

Marion Snyder

Lorraine

VanNorman

Alice Mae Keiper Weiss

Moment of Silence We pause to remember others in our lives who have passed this year, as well as those who have passed other years who we still mourn and celebrate.

Funds of Lasting Gifts and Memorial Fund We pause to give thanks for those individuals and families that have given these funds in order to remember their loved one and support the mission and ministry of God's church here.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

**ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

SONG: The Potter's Hand Darlene Zschech

mp
2. You gent-ly call me in-to Your pres-ence Guid-ing me by Your Ho-ly Spir-it.
Teach me, dear Lord, To live all of my life through Your eyes.
mf
I'm cap-tured by Your ho-ly call-ing; Set me a-part, I know You're draw-ing me
to Your-self. Lead me, Lord, I pray. *mf-f* Take me,
mold me, use me, fill me. I give my life to the Pot-ter's hand.
Hold me, guide me, lead me, walk be-side me. I
give my life to the Pot-ter's hand.

MUSIC OFFERING

God's Love is Bigger than a Burger

Children's Choir: Connor Maxwell, Lucas Maxwell, Reagan Minnich, Cael Vermeulen, Hunter Vermeulen, Lincoln Hoppes

God's love is bigger than a burger
It is bigger than a mouse
Bigger than an elephant
Bigger than a house
Bigger than a bus
and bigger than a tree
Bigger than a mountain
Bigger than the sea
What about a cloud? - bigger!
What about the sky? - bigger!
What about the earth? - bigger!
What about the moon? - bigger!
What about the sun? - bigger!
What about the stars? - bigger!
Anything bigger than this big love? - er... no!

Big and wonderful
Big and wonderful
Big and wonderful
Wonderful love
Big and wonderful
Big and wonderful
Big and wonderful
Love, love, love (Repeat from top)

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

MUSIC OFFERING

Mansion Over the Hilltop

Ira F. Stanphill

Donate to God's Mission and Ministry at UNION UCC

OFFERING ENVELOPES you can mail your envelopes to the church. The church address is on one side, just add a stamp.

ELECTRONIC GIVING This is a great time to try **e-giving!** Choose a weekly, semi-monthly or monthly donation to be transferred electronically. Fill out the form at <http://www.unionucc.org/egive.pdf> and return it to the church office. financialmanager@unionucc.org

DONATE ONLINE with your Credit or Debit Card

Go to <http://www.unionucc.org/resources/giving-and-sponsorship/ways-to-give/> and click **GIVE ONLINE**.

AMAZON SMILE Donate to Union UCC, Neffs (Search by zip code 18065) while you shop at Amazon. <https://smile.amazon.com>.

***BLESSING**

① May the God of the living and the dead, of doubt and hope, of laughter and love, of family and friends -- bless you and all those you love, wherever they may be. As you go forth from this place, we commend you to the love, grace and peace of God which surpasses all understanding and which is with you from now to the end of time. Amen.

ALL (Sung):

Take me, Mold me

Use me, Fill me

I give my life to the Potter's hands

Hold me, Guide me

Lead me, Walk beside me

I give my life to the Potter's hand.

POSTLUDE

What a Friend We Have in Jesus Joseph M. Scriven,
Charles C. Converse

Worship Theme - Prophecies and Pottery: Journey with
Jeremiah c. Worship Design Studio

Altar Design: Claire Kern, Deb Topp, and Pastor Kris

EVIDENCE OF STEWARDSHIP LAST SUNDAY

Offering (e-giving, envelopes, and plate)	
Last Week	\$4,726
Calendar 2020 (Jan-Aug)	\$238,364
Calendar 2019 (Jan-Aug)	\$247,941
Change from Last Year	-3.9%
Budget (July-Aug)	\$56,360
Actual (July-Aug)	\$54,827
Giving vs. Budget	-2.7%
<i>Additional financial information available in Consistory Minutes</i>	

2020 Donations to the Northern Lehigh Food	
Last Week:	\$20
Total YTD:	6,863 lbs, \$2,365

SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS SPONSORS:

In honor of Pastors Kris and Kayli for their love and dedication.
From Ann and Jeff Snyder

Your support is especially important now as we work to provide spiritual care and connection for members and the community through Facebook posts, ads, and online worship.

Be a sponsor for \$20, send to Union UCC through your offering envelope or online marked Spread the Good News.

Contact Marissa to sign up for a certain date or to sponsor in honor or memory of someone.