



Sunday, November 15, 2020
Online Worship
Prophecies and Pottery: Journey with Jeremiah

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: For more information email Pastor Kris. pastorkris@unionucc.org or call the church office to speak to her.

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

*November 22, 2020 Worship in the Grove
Tailgate Lunch - Pick up 2021 offering envelopes - Christmas mission projects - Reverse Advent Baskets - Salvation Army Angel Tree Tags - Return Holiday Hope Chest shoeboxes*

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PRELUDE

Fairest Lord Jesus
Schlesische Volkslieder

Tune: Crusaders' Hymn

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.

*GOLD HYMNAL #395 We Plow the Fields and Scatter

**1. We plow the fields and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand.
He sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes and the sunshine,
and soft refreshing rain.**

CHORUS

**All good gifts around us
are sent from heav'n above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all his love.**

**2. He only is the Maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star;
the wind and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.**

CHORUS

**3. We thank you, then, O Father,
for all things bright and good:
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food;
no gifts have we to offer
for all your love imparts,
but that which you desire now:
our humble, thankful hearts!**

CHORUS

CALL TO WORSHIP

LIn the midst of your hectic week you have come to worship God.

COur lives are pulled in so many directions, we seek God's guidance.

LLet go of the burdens that weigh you down. God will take them.

CWe thank God for the respite we are given.

LTune your hearts and voices in praise to God.

CLet our voices bear the joy we feel because of God's love for us. **AMEN.**

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-ed on my own plans.
Now I am soft-en-ing my ways, I'm go-ing back to the pot-
-ter's hands.

CHILDREN'S TIME

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

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

The prophet Jeremiah sent a letter from Jerusalem to the few surviving elders among the exiles, to the priests and the prophets, and to all the people Nebuchadnezzar had taken to Babylon from Jerusalem... "The Lord of heavenly forces, the God of Israel, proclaims to all the exiles I have carried off from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and settle down; cultivate gardens and eat what they produce. Get married and have children; then help your sons find wives and your daughters find husbands in order that they too may have children. Increase in number there so that you don't dwindle away. Promote the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because your future depends on its welfare."

MESSAGE

Building and Planting: Bloom Where You Are Planted

Rev. Kris Snyder-Samuelson

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 Arr. Lloyd Larson
High School Choir: **Olivia Rice, George DeNardo, Amanda Lane, Emily Bachl, Naomi Henninger**

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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.

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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.

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

Thank you for being a blessing through your offerings to God.



MUSIC OFFERING

Great Big God

Kid's Choir: **Connor Maxwell, Lucas Maxwell, Raegan Minnich, Cael Vermeulen, Hunter Vermeulen , Lincoln Hoppes, Brooklyn Hoppes, Lucas Bastidas**

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**.

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***BLESSING**

L Having opened your hearts to God and received God's healing love, go now into this hurting troubled world with the good news of God's presence and compassion. 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

Be Thou My Vision Irish folk melody

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	\$8,718
Calendar 2020 (Jan-Oct)	\$295,013
Calendar 2019 (Jan-Oct)	\$312,466
Change from Last Year	-5.6%
Budget (July-Oct)	\$120,000
Actual (July-Oct)	\$111,995
Giving vs. Budget	-6.7%
<i>Additional financial information available in Consistory Minutes</i>	

2020 Donations to the Northern Lehigh Food	
Last Week:	
Total YTD:	6,928 lbs, \$2,400

SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS SPONSORS:

Giving Thanks for the people of Union UCC from Pastor Kris

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.