



**Sunday, November 22, 2020**  
**Grove and Online Worship**  
**Prophecies and Pottery: Journey with Jeremiah**  
**Thanksgiving and Stewardship Sunday and**  
**Tailgate Lunch**

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

**NEW MEMBERS:** For more information email Pastor Kris. [pastorkris@unionucc.org](mailto: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***

***Note: Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup> Open House has been cancelled due to concerns regarding Covid.***

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## **PRELUDE**

Give Thanks

Harry Smith

## **WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**Ⓢ** You are welcome here.

\*New Century Hymnal (Black) #28 For the Beauty of the Earth

**1. For the beauty of the earth  
For the beauty of the skies  
For the love  
Which from our birth  
Over and around us lies**

**Chorus  
God of all to you we raise  
This our hymn of grateful praise.**

**2. For the beauty of each hour  
Of the day and of the night  
Hill and vale  
And tree and flower  
Sun and moon and stars of light**

**Chorus**

**3. For the joy of human love  
Brother, sister, parent, child  
Friends on earth  
And friends above  
For all gentle  
Thoughts and mild**

**Chorus**

**4. For the good that love inspires,  
For a world where none exclude,**

**For a faith that never tires,  
And for every heart renewed.**

**Chorus**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Inspired by Psalm 100 Seasons of the Spirit

**L** Make a glad noise to God, all the Earth. In all languages; with all timbres and textures; let us make a glad noise to God.

**All: God invites us to worship with gladness – to come into God’s presence with singing! Let us raise our voices and proclaim our joy as we enter into worship.**

**L** God is God! My friends, God is God! God made us; God claims us as God’s own; we are God’s people.

**All: How wonderful it is to remember and recognize that God is Creator, Parent, Guardian, and Guide.**

**L** Let us enter the gates of worship with thanksgiving and praise!

**All: And let us give thanks that God’s steadfast love endures forever. We have arrived at the end of the church year, but God’s love and the story of God’s Son and God’s people continue forever.**

**L** The circle is never unbroken! The story continues, and the invitation never expires.

**All: Come, all generations, let us worship God!**

## **PRAYER**

**L** We live in a world where hunger, thirst, loneliness, sickness, and imprisonment exist for too many people, Loving Parent, you invite us to participate in the ways of healing and wholeness that would change this truth. In Jesus, the Christ, you came among us to show us how to love – modelling for us the ways of mercy, compassion, and justice. Be with us as we worship, and help us to gain strength for the journey, which continues beyond this day – the journey of choices and forgiveness to which all people of faith are invited as we follow the Christ. Be with us, and

help us to discover your guidance with every opportunity we encounter – the guidance of the shepherd – the guidance of Love Incarnate. Amen.

**MUSIC: Softening My Way Bobby Jo Valentine**

8x *Commissioned by Stema Shephers*

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

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**Watch for Mrs. Puia on Facebook and our Instagram page!**

**MESSAGE**

**Because of You Our Church Inspires HOPE, FAITH, JOY and GENEROSITY**  
**The Financial Leadership Team**

**Don Penrod– Faith**

**SCRIPTURE** Psalm 100 New Revised Standard Version

A Psalm of thanksgiving.  
 Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.  
 Worship the LORD with gladness;  
 come into his presence with singing.

Know that the LORD is God.

It is he that made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the LORD is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

### **Marianne Kitzmiller– Hope**

**SCRIPTURE** Psalm 100 The Message

On your feet now—applaud GOD!

Bring a gift of laughter,  
sing yourselves into his presence.

Know this: GOD is God, and God, GOD.

He made us; we didn't make him.

We're his people, his well-tended sheep.

Enter with the password: "Thank you!"

Make yourselves at home, talking praise.

Thank him. Worship him.

For GOD is sheer beauty,  
all-generous in love,  
loyal always and ever.

### **Aften Hamm– Joy**

**SCRIPTURE** Psalm 100 The Voice

Raise your voices;

make a beautiful noise to the Eternal, all the earth.

Serve the Eternal gladly;

enter into His presence singing songs of joy!

Know this: the Eternal One Himself is the True God.

He is the One who made us;

we have not made ourselves;

we are His people, like sheep *grazing* in His fields.

Go through His gates, giving thanks;

walk through His courts, giving praise.

Offer Him your gratitude and praise His *holy* name.

Because the Eternal is good,

His loyal love *and mercy* will never end,

and His truth will last throughout all generations.

# Phil Wehr– Generosity

Learn more about planned giving by visiting our website under Giving.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER Michael Roth

**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.

## OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

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



## MUSIC OFFERING

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God Keith Getty & Stuart Townend, Arr. Lloyd Larson

**Adult Choir: Todd Bachl, Matt Gerry, Ronda Gerry, Stephen Kareha, Jason Klinger, Karl Klinger, Carol Pope, Julie Wehr**

**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](mailto: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

Based on Psalm 100

**L** Make a joyful noise to the Lord.

**C** **Worship God with gladness.**

**L** Come into God's presence with singing.

**C** **We are God's people, the sheep of God's pasture.**

**L** Give thanks to the Lord; bless God's holy name,

**C** **for God's steadfast love is present now and endures forever.**

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

Oh, How I love Jesus

Traditional Melody

Thank you to our Financial Leadership Team for leading worship today.

Thank you to our Fellowship Committee and Country Sale Cooks for hosting today's lunch. Please stay to visit each other in the parking lot or in the grove.

You are welcome to enjoy food you brought or enjoy the food provided here or take it to go.

The menu is: 3 men and a bagel bagel sandwiches – turkey or ham with potato salad, chips, pickle, 3 kinds of chili – with meat, with turkey, vegetarian, Hot Dogs – Vegetarian and GF available, and a cookie.

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	\$5,163
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 Bank:	
Last	\$30
Total YTD:	6,928 lbs, \$2,430

## SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS SPONSORS:

**In celebrating the 3 year mark of Pastor Kayli's ministry at Union UCC on 11/28.**

*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.*