

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

(Join us in signing when invited)

Chorus:

There is a sweet anointing, In this sanctuary
There is a stillness, In the atmosphere
Come and lay down, The burdens you have carried
For in this sanctuary God is here.

Bridge:

God is here God is here, To break the yoke
And lift the heavy burden. God is here God is here
To heal the hopeless heart, And bless the broken
Come and lay down The burdens you have carried
For in this sanctuary God is here

Leader: We are here, today, because we know that as we gather, God is here!

People: Help us to open our hearts to the God who wants to shape and re-shape us!

Leader: Help us see our broken places as God's opportunity to heal us and make us whole again!

People: Bring us together, God, in love, and prayer and hope this morning!

Leader: God, open our hearts and minds this day to your word.

People: As we worship today, teach us to serve you with all our gifts and talents. Amen.

Opening Song

"The Potter's Hand "

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First Reading

Jeremiah 18:1-11

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Gospel Reading

Matthew 15:29-39

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Gathering Song

"Yo Quiero Ser"

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Sermon

"Come Home To The Potter"

Rev. Dr. Nancy Wilson

Song of Reflection

Prayers of the People

(Join us in singing when invited)

*Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me;
See at the portals Christ waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.
Come home, come home, All who are weary come home;
Earnestly, tenderly Jesus is calling, "All who are weary, come home!"*

**And, now, we will rise as we are able and pray the prayer
Jesus taught us, saying...**

Our Creator, who art in heaven

Hallowed be Your name

Your kingdom come Your will be done

On earth as it is in heaven

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses

As we forgive those who trespass against us

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory Forever. Amen

Offering

Offertory & Doxology

Join us in singing

*We Give You But Your Own, Whate'er The Gift May Be;
All That We Have Is Yours Alone, We Give It Gratefully.*

Communion

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

The Holy One be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up to our God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Join us in singing the Communion Song when invited

*Pan de Vida, cuerpo del Señor
Cup of blessing, blood of Christ the Lord
At this table the last shall be first
Poder es servir, porque Dios es amor*

Closing Song

"Have Your Own Way, God "

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Benediction

Lyrics

“The Potter’s Hand”

Beautiful God, Wonderful Savior, I Know For Sure All Of My Days Are
Held In Your Hand, Crafted Into Your Perfect Plan.

You Gently Call Me Into Your Presence, Guiding Me By Your Holy Spirit.
Teach Me Dear God, To Live All Of My Life Through Your Eyes.

I'm Captured By Your Holy Calling. Set Me Apart; I Know You're Drawing
Me To Yourself. Lead Me God I Pray.

Take Me, Mold Me, Use Me, Fill Me. I Give My Life To The Potter's Hand.
Call Me, Guide Me, Lead Me, Walk Beside Me.
I Give My Life To The Potter's Hand.

Take Me, Mold Me, Use Me, Fill Me. I Give My Life To The Potter's Hand.
Call Me, Guide Me, Lead Me, Walk Beside Me.
I Give My Life To The Potter's Hand.

Ooh, ooh, ooh. Ooh, ooh, ooh.

“Yo Quiero Ser”

Song Leader Sings verse

Choir Sings verse

Congregation/Choir sing:

I Want To Be, My Loving Savior, Like The Clay In The Potter’s Hands,
Take My Life And Remold Me,
I Want To Be, I Want To Be A Brand New Vessel.

“Have Your Own Way, God ”

Have Your Own Way, God! Have Your Own Way!
You Are The Potter, I Am The Clay!
Mold Me And Make Me After Your Will,
While I Am Waiting Yielded And Still.

Have Your Own Way, God! Have Your Own Way!
Search Me And Try Me, Savior Today!
Brighter Than Snow, God, Wash Me Just Now,
As In Your Presence Humbly I Bow.

Have Your Own Way, God! Have Your Own Way!
Wounded And Weary, Help Me, I Pray!
Power All Power Surely Is Yours
Touch Me And Heal Me, Forevermore.

First Reading Jeremiah 18:1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Almighty: “Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.” So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the ALMIGHTY came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says God. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its broken ways, I will change my mind about how I intended to deal with it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it strays from me, and does not listen to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it.

Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the ALMIGHTY: Look, I am a potter shaping your destiny and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you, from your woundedness and brokenness, and amend your ways and your doings, and I will re-shape you for good.

Gospel Reading Matthew 15:29-39

After Jesus had left that place, he passed along the Sea of Galilee, and he went up the mountain, where he sat down. Great crowds came to him, bringing with them the lame, the maimed, the blind, the mute and many others. They put them at Jesus’ feet, and he cured them, so that the crowd was amazed when they saw the mute speaking, the maimed whole, the lame walking and the blind seeing.

And they praised the God of Israel.

Then Jesus called his disciples to him and said, “I have compassion for the crowd, because they have been with me for three days and have nothing to eat; and I do not want to send them away hungry, for they might faint on the way.”

The disciples said to him, “Where are we to get enough bread in the desert to feed so great a crowd?” Jesus asked them, “How many loaves have you?” They said, “Seven, and a few small fish.” Then ordering the crowd to sit down on the ground, he took the seven loaves and the fish; and after giving thanks, he broke them and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all of them ate and were filled; and they took up the broken pieces left over, seven baskets full. Those who had eaten were four thousand men, besides women and children. After sending away the crowds, he got into the boat and went to the region of Magadan.