

Old Tennent Church
Estertied Worship series
The Theology of Mr. Rogers

Week 5:
Did You Know?
Psalm 8; Matthew 18:1-5

Old Tennent Church
May 21, 2023
11:00 A.M.
Rev. Jessica Dixon

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER

The best of Mr. Roger's Neighborhood was the way it encouraged children (and the adults watching with them) to see their own value, that they could learn anything they chose to learn, that they could be honest about their feelings and their truth, and also that they should wonder and imagine and grow. As we hear the words of the Mr. Rogers song, "Did You Know?", may we enter worship with wonder and minds ready to learn from God.

Did you know? Did you know?
Did you know that it's all right to wonder?
Did you know that it's all right to wonder?
There are all kinds of wonderful things!

Did you know? Did you know?
Did you know that it's all right to marvel?
Did you know that it's all right to marvel?
There are all kinds of marvelous things!

You can ask a lot of questions about the world...
And your place in it.

You can ask about people's feelings;
You can learn the sky's the limit.
Did you know? Did you know?
Did you know when you wonder you're learning?
Did you know when you marvel you're learning?
About all kinds of wonderful,
About all kinds of marvelous,
Marvelously wonderful things?

***HYMN #324** "Open My Eyes That I May See"
(Blue Hymnal)

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF FORGIVENESS
CALL TO CONFESSION**

It is so easy to forget to ask questions, to forget that we can always learn something new. When we forget to ask, to wonder, to learn we easily fall into judging, deciding, and rejecting the things we don't know or understand. This is when we are prone to sin, to reject other people, to reject what others have learned and we could learn too. Let us confess together the ways we fail to wonder.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God, we often miss you when we do not wonder, when we do not want to learn. Help us to find wonder in the world, find awe, curiosity, and hope. When we miss these things, we miss you, we become too focused on ourselves, and we miss out on your presence. Give us child-like wonder and joy today.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

The God of wonder helps us to see what is good, what is right, and what is worth learning. There are new chances every day, every hour, to learn and grow. Knowing we can always learn, know that we are always forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The Peace of Christ Be With You.
And also with you.

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

God of wonder and majesty, your beautiful, bountiful creation encourages us to wonder in awe at what you can do. Give us that sense of wonder as we hear your word today. Help us to see you anew. Amen.

HEARING SCRIPTURE

First Reading: Psalm 8
Second Reading Matthew 18:1-5
(At the conclusion:)

This is the Word of the Lord.
P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON:

"DID YOU KNOW?"
Rev. Jessica Dixon

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostle’s Creed)**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***HYMN #467**“How Great Thou Art”
(Blue Hymnal)

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD’S PRAYER

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow:
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***PRAYER for the OFFERING**

God, you give us everything—more than we can imagine. Take our offerings and help them to serve the wonder of your creation and your people. Amen.

***HYMN #391**“Take My Life”
(Blue Hymnal)

BLESSING AND SENDING

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE—“Awesome God”**

**Our God is an awesome God
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom pow’r and love
Our God is an awesome God [Repeat]**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible Study—Wednesdays at 12:00 in Old Scots.

MAY

22nd: Session, 7:00 p.m.
 28th: Pentecost
 29th: Memorial Day

JUNE

4th: Summer hours begin
 4th: Trinity Sunday
 10th: South Jersey History Fair
 18th: Father's Day

OFFERING UPDATE

Actual Weekly Cost: \$3,827.00

Minimum Needed: Pledges and Plate to Meet Budget: \$1,526.00 (*non-endowment income*).

May 14, 2023.....	\$920.00
May 7, 2023	\$1,482.00
April 30, 2023	\$861.00
April 23, 2023	\$629.00
April 16, 2023	\$1,645.78
April 2, 2023.....	\$1,028.55

Date	Head Usher	Usher	Greeter	Counters	Communion
May 21	E. Cruz	S. Hughes	J. Vanderwiel	J. Vanderwiel & L. Hughes	
May 28	L. Hughes	L. Manners	V. Campbell	G. Weiss & C. Buda	