



**OLD TENNENT**  
**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
FOUNDED IN 1692

**Old Tennent Church**  
**October 2, 2022**  
**World Communion Sunday**  
*11:00 A.M.*

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Adapted from Isaiah 55*)

L: From north and south and east and west,

**P: all Creation sings forth your praises!**

L: The mountains and the hills burst into song;

**P: the trees of the field shall clap their hands.**

L: Your steadfast love never ceases.

**P: With joy and peace, let us worship God together.**

**\*Hymn #455** ..... "All Creatures of Our God and King"  
(*Blue hymnal*)

**OPENING PRAYER**

God of all nations, you have poured out your blessings upon all the peoples of the earth. Grant us eyes to see your gifts of faith and love. Appoint us as heralds of your mercies that are new every morning. Empower us to write the vision of your peaceable kingdom, where destruction and violence are no more, where suffering and wars shall cease. Through our worship empower us to be sent out with joy as bearers of your hope in a hurting world; through Christ. **Amen.**

**CALL TO CONFESSION** *(From Timothy 1:1-14)*

God’s grace was given to us in Christ before the ages began. In spite of God’s love for us and gift of love to us, we often act in destructive and hateful ways. Trusting in Christ’s mercy that never ends, let us with honesty confess our sins before God and one another.

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Gracious Lord, you created the whole world and called it good, but we look out at your world and see division and suffering. You call us to maintain the unity of spirit in the bond of peace, but we choose division over diversity, confrontation over civility, conflict over peace born from justice. You call us to love the least of these among us, but we hear the cries of the oppressed and choose our own comfort. We allow senseless suffering rather than sacrifice for our neighbors. Forgive us. Grant us fresh vision to see one another as siblings in Christ. Rekindle in us your gifts — the spirit of power, love and self-discipline — that with faith in Christ, we might be made new and be part of bringing forth your peaceable kingdom. Amen.**

*(time of silence)*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** *(Lamentations 3:22-23)*

We call to mind your promises and therefore we find hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. God’s mercies are new every morning. Believe the good news. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father  
and the Son, and the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, Amen.**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

**\*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**In the quietness of this hour, we wait for your Spirit. Tune our ears to hear the promise of your salvation. Incline our hearts toward your message of peace. Summon our will to respond to your Word with justice and love, that we might go forth with joy; through Christ. Amen.**

**HEARING SCRIPTURE**

First Reading: ..... John 4:5-24  
Second Reading ..... Psalm 150  
Third Reading ..... 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

*(At the conclusion:)*  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
**P: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON:**

“WHAT ARE WE DOING HERE?”  
Rev. Jessica Dixon

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(Apostles’ 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 #554** ..... "Let All Things Now Living"  
(Blue hymnal)

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

**CALL TO OFFERING**

God calls us to worship, to share at Christ's table, and to offer ourselves in love to one another. Let us share our lives, our gifts, and our resources now in 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 of all that is, We worship you today with all that we are, and we give of our meager gifts so that your work might be done in our midst. Join these gifts with those of our siblings in faith around the world who gather at Christ's table so that your people might be one unified community, your creation might be cared for, and your worship might continue with joy and holiness. We pray these things in the name of Christ who gathers us. Amen.**

**\*COMMUNION INVITATION**

Sharing the Meal  
Prayer After Communion

**Loving God, we thank you  
that you have fed us in this meal with Jesus,  
united us with Christ,  
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet  
in your eternal realm.**

**Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN #535** ..... "Go with Us, Lord"  
(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]**

*CCLI Song #41099 CCLI License #27452191*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PET BLESSING

Today, 1:00 pm

## CROP WALK

October 16, 2022

## HERITAGE SUNDAY

October 30, 2022, 11:00 am, Old Scots' Burying Ground

## NOVEMBER:

- \* **Hanging of the Greens** (TBA)
- \* **Advent**, November 27, 2022

## DECEMBER:

- \* **Christmas Drive Through**, Dec. 3rd and 4th, 2022
- \* **Longest Night Worship Service**, Dec. 21, 2022
- \* **Women's Christmas Party**, Dec. 14, 2022

## OFFERING UPDATE

Actual Weekly Cost: \$3,827.00  
 Minimum Needed: Pledges and Plate to Meet Budget: \$1,526.00 (*non-endowment income*).

*September 25, 2022..... \$1,978.00*  
*September 18, 2022..... \$1,113.00*  
*September 11, 2022..... \$1,599.00*  
*September 4, 2022 ..... \$666.00*

<b>OCTOBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS</b>				
<b>DATE</b>	<b>HEAD USHER</b>	<b>USHER</b>	<b>GREETER</b>	<b>COMMUNION SERVERS</b>
10/2/22	J. Zimmerman	S. Shaw	V. Campbell	J. Giblon J. Vanderwiel
10/9/22	E. Cruz	S. Hughes	J. Zimmerman	
10/16/22	G. Weiss	J. Vanderwiel	V. Campbell	
10/23/22	J. Zimmerman	D. Daroci	J. Giblon	
10/30/22	T. Calcaterra	E. Cruz	V. Campbell	C. Mitschele D. Daroci



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