Overbrook Presbyterian Church

Worship Service
Second Sunday of Easter
April 8, 2018
10:30 a.m.

John 20:19-31
by Julian

This image describes a worship service at Overbrook Presbyterian Church on the Second Sunday of Easter, held on April 8, 2018, at 10:30 a.m. The service is based on John 20:19-31 and is illustrated by Julian.
Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of reverence as we prepare for worship and remember to silence all cell phones before the service.

❖ Stand as you are able.

GATHERING IN

PRELUDE

Christ lag in Todesbanden   Johann Pachelbel

INTROIT

Christ Jesus lay in death’s strong bands   Johann Walter
For each Sunday of April, the Introit will feature a chorale appropriate to the Easter season.

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by John 20, John 21)

Leader: We are here today because the weeping Mary of Magdala once said:

People: “I have seen the Lord!”

Leader: We are here because Jesus still comes into our locked spaces and says:

People: “Peace be with you. Receive the Holy Spirit.”

Leader: We are here today like doubting Thomas who finally cried:

People: “My Lord and my God.”

Leader: We are here like Peter, tempted to forget the call of Jesus:

People: “I’m going fishing.”

Leader: We’re here this morning because of Jesus, who asks us face-to-face:

People: “Do you truly love me?”

Leader: We gather here to whisper timidly

People: “Yes, Lord, you know that we love you.”

Leader: We are here as a congregation because many faithful disciples have listened to Jesus’ words:

People: “Do not be afraid. Do not be afraid! Go and tell, ‘Jesus has been raised!’”

❖ HYMN No. 255

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing   O FILII ET FILIAE

GREETING

Pastor Carolyn Gillette
PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)
Wondrous God, we confess that at times our doubts and fears override our hope and faith. Forgive us when we lose sight of the joy of Your love and instead fall into despair and gloom. Lift up our spirits, Lord, and help us to remember the promise of new life here and now, not just the hope of resurrection for the future. We give thanks for Your Son, Jesus the Christ, who continues to offer us new life, who continues to turn us around and upside down, who continues to break down the walls of death in our own life. Forgive us, restore us and renew us. In the name of our risen Savior, Jesus the Christ, we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HYMN No. 581    Glory Be to the Father    GLORIA PATRI

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT    Acts 4:32-35    Page 114/pew Bible
The Word of the Lord.    Thanks be to God.

PSALM 133

Please join in singing the refrain at the beginning of the psalm and where indicated by the symbol ℗. The verses are found on the next page.

refrain

John Fawcett, 1782

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.

Johann Georg Nügeli, 1828
arr. Lowell Mason, 1845

The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
Verses (sung by the choir):
1. How very good and pleasant it is,
   when kindred live together in unity!
2. It is like fine oil upon the head
   that runs down upon the beard.
3. Upon the beard of Aaron,
   and runs down the collar of his robe.
4. It is like the dew of Hermon
   that falls upon the hills of Zion.
5. For there the Lord has ordained the blessing:
   life forevermore. ♪

TIME WITH CHILDREN 
Pastor Bruce Gillette
(Following Time with Children, all children are welcome to stay in worship through the short
sermon to witness the Sacrament of Baptism. If parents so desire Pre K and Kindergarten
children may leave for Sunday School now. Older children will leave for Sunday School
during Celebrations and Concerns.)

GOSPEL LESSON 
John 20:19-31 
Page 108/pew Bible
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON “Journey of Faith” Pastor Carolyn Gillette

HYMN (on inside back cover of bulletin) 
When Thomas Heard from Jesus AURELIA 7.6.7.6 D

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Glory to God, Pages 14-19

PRESENTATION

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - The Apostles’ Creed
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord.
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, 
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, 
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, 
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BAPTISM of Logan Robert Gillette

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS  
Pastor Bruce Gillette
(Older Children may leave for Sunday School now)

MINUTE FOR MISSION  
Becky Lazo

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD’S PRAYER-Debts/Debtors  
Page 35, Glory to God Hymnal

SHARING OF PEACE (“The Peace of Christ Be With You”, “And Also With You”)

OFFERING  
This Joyful Eastertide  
arr. Erik Routley
The Overbrook Choir

❖ DOXOLOGY  
HYMN No. 607

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

❖ HYMN No. 826  
Lift High the Cross  
CRUCIFER

SENDING FORTH

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ CHORAL RESPONSE  
In the world ye shall have tribulation  
G. T. Thalben-Ball

Today’s extended postlude lasts approximately 6 minutes. 
Please consider staying to hear it, or 
depart quietly to allow others to listen.
POSTLUDE

Offertoire pour le Jour de Pâques

A. P. F. Boëly

Alexandre Pierre François Boëly (1785-1858) was a French composer and organist who became known as a great champion of the classical organ tradition against the rising tide of Romanticism. As such, he promoted the works of his compositional forebears, including Girolamo Frescobaldi, François Couperin, and, of course, J. S. Bach. Unfortunately, Boëly’s “austerity” did not do him any professional favors, and, even today, his works are relatively unknown.

French organ music in the nineteenth century was, above all, dramatic, with such effects as orage (“thunder”) stops; in addition, it was common for church services to feature operatic works. Offertoire pour le Jour de Pâques (“Offertory for Easter Sunday”) takes a different approach: based on the Gregorian chant O filii et filiae (“O sons and daughters”—our processional hymn today), it develops the melody through a set of increasingly difficult variations, ending with a fugal finale. Although Boëly might not have been as dramatic a composer as his contemporaries, this piece is an exciting journey through compositional techniques and melodic transformations.

Welcome to Overbrook Presbyterian Church
We are glad you are worshiping with us this morning!

Notes on Today’s Service
If you are a visitor, we invite you to fill out a card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Our pastors would welcome talking with you after today’s worship service or in the future.

Leading Worship Today:
The Revs. Bruce and Carolyn Gillette, Co-Pastors
Lay Leader: Davorka Sabljak; Acolyte: Maya Stricker
The Overbrook Choir
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music

Today’s bulletin cover was drawn by Julianna Johnson

The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God by Bruce and Carolyn Gillette in memory of Louise Gillette and David Winfrey

Childcare is available during the worship service. Worship is for all ages, but should your infant or preschooler become restless during worship, excellent childcare is provided in our nursery.
Worship Kits for Children
are available at the front entrance to the Sanctuary.

Large Print Bulletins and Hymns are Available.
Please speak to one of the ushers if you have special needs.

Ushers:
Max Mason, Noble Brigham, Ken Carroll, John Mason, Mary Scott, Jason Sheau, Alan Sigler, Nickie Stokes and Adepeju Adebnaajo

Deacons Delivering Flowers:
Stephanie Morris and Suchita Fiorillo

Following worship today - please join us for refreshments in the Wistar Morris Room. We would like to thank The Gillettes for hosting this week’s coffee hour. If you would like to host an upcoming coffee hour, please sign up now on the sign-up board in the Wistar-Morris Room. Contact Amarilis Stricker at 484-343-0679 with questions.

This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 8
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
12:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting
5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Monday, April 9
7:00 p.m. Population Growth/Climate Change

Tuesday, April 10
7:00 p.m. Session-Chapel

Wednesday, April 11
10:30 a.m. Bible Study-Chapel

Saturday, April 14
5:30 p.m. Hootenanny for Hunger

Sunday, April 15
9:15 a.m. Adult Forum
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
12:00 p.m. Christian Education Committee

☞ Today we are celebrating the baptism of Logan Robert Gillette. Let’s extend a warm welcome and congratulations to Logan and his parents, John and Jenell, and their extended family.

Today from 5:30 to 7:30 PM: Youth Group Meeting at Church - We’ll enjoy a pizza supper, then fellowship, an activity, and games in the Fellowship Hall.
Today’s Baptism Offering: This morning you are invited to give a gift to a special mission offering to help children in need. This baptism offering will go to the Village to help first-time foster parents, in the Village’s foster care program, to buy car seats, high chairs and other things they need for infants in their care. This continues a wonderful tradition of many Overbrook families who seek to be a blessing to others at the time of a baptism. After the worship service, look for the children in the narthex with the offering baskets.

This Monday, April 9, 7:00 p.m.-Population Growth and Climate Change
Sharon Parker will be one presenter on the topic of education of women. The other presenter will be Terry Spahr, an Ardmore resident who is in the process of producing a file titled “8 Billion Angles” about population growth, climate change and family planning.

Bible Study- This week’s Bible study will be at 10:30am led by Pastor Bruce. He will be teaching on Sunday, April 15 lectionary reading, Luke 24:36b-48.

Come join us Next Sunday, April 15 at 9:15 a.m. for Adult Forum. The topic that week will be Women Leaders in the New Testament

Book Drive for City School children: Do you have any spare books lying around? Hannah Lazo and her friend, Emerson, are in Girl Scout Troop 5927 (Haverford) and are working to earn their Bronze Award by collecting new and lightly used books for an underserved elementary school in South Philadelphia. The girls are collecting books for students in grades K-8 throughout the month of April. Please look for a donation box near the front office. If you do not have any books to spare but would like to contribute, we will have some books “for purchase” that you can choose to donate to the girls’ efforts. Look for us in the Wistar Morris room. Thank you in advance for your support! -Becky Lazo

Do you know the names of the people sitting around you? The Congregational Life Committee and Lifetouch Studios is creating a new church photo directory. The dates that Lifetouch will be here are as follows:

Monday 6/4 · 2-9 PM, Tuesday 6/5 2-9 PM,
Friday 6/8 2-9 PM, Saturday 6/9 10 AM-5 PM

More information coming soon on how to book your appointment! See Raelyn Harman for more information or questions.
The FMSC Mobile Pack is quickly approaching. Mission & Outreach is hosting a unique event for all ages. Get ready for great food, music, dancing, games, and fellowship at OPC’s Hootenanny for Hunger, a Feed My Starving Children fundraiser. The evening will include a great country meal with traditional fixings of chili, fried chicken, corn bread and more. We’ll hold a silent auction. There will be a ton of background games for the family and of course square dancing so get your boots ready. Let’s get together and dance the evening away until we’re forced to rest our tails on the nearest comfy bale of hay and hang our hats upon our knees, all in the name of Hunger.

Date: APRIL 14, 2018, Time: 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Place: OVERBROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Tickets on sale this Sunday during coffee hour - $15 per person and $40 per family. Hope to see you! It’ll be a doggone good time!!!!

Overbrook Presbyterian “Mobile Pack” Day for Feed My Starving Children will be on Saturday, April 28. Join us for this annual event when we prepare meals for thousands of people. Sign-up and details are available on our church web site.

OPC Women’s Retreat, Saturday, June 2, 2018 - 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM. The 2nd Annual OPC Women’s Retreat will be on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at the IHM Conference Center in Bryn Mawr. This year’s theme will be “Finding Joy” based on the Letter to the Philippians, and our leader will be Pastor Carolyn Gillette. Cost for the day is estimated at $40 per person. Scholarships are available. Please contact Artia Benjamin, Becky Lazo or Sabrina Johnson for more information.

Coffee Hour Hosts are needed for the following Sundays in May: May 6, 13 and 27. Instructions for this easily accomplished, highly valued ministry are available on the OPC web site and in the church kitchen (on the microwave). For more information please contact Amarilis Stricker at 484-343-0679 or Raelyn Harman at 610-331-8972. Thank you.
**Prayer List**

- Ed Harvey recovering from surgery. He welcomes prayers by his church family and phone calls to his home, 215-871-0858.
- Deborah Savage Schuhl, an OPC member since 1959, died recently. Her Funeral Service of Witness to the Resurrection will be on Saturday, May 5, at 11:00 a.m. in the Overbrook Church sanctuary
- Victor Fiorillo adjusting to life after being hospitalized for a seizure and side effects of medications.
- The Rev. David McMillian leg wound is improving slowly.
- Leo Miller, Vince Gilhool’s nephew, receiving cancer treatment
- Ken Carroll is undergoing radiation treatment
- Anna Lemley’s father, Thomas James, battling lung cancer.
- Charlotte Carpenter recently diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis
- Lynda Johnson home and recovering from knee surgery
- Emily Amerman and Jim Vagnoni’s son Will in a recovery house and hopes it is successful.
- Ellen Burr ongoing health issues

Please contact Pastors Bruce or Carolyn to add names or concerns to this list. Bruce and Carolyn can be reached by email, cell phone, or by leaving a message in the Church Office, or by speaking with one of them in person.

**Please Remember to Sign the Prayer Cards:** These cards are located on the raised table in the Wistar Morris Room. We ask all church members and friends to please sign these cards before or after worship each Sunday. “You were remembered this Sunday in the prayers of the people of the Overbrook Church in Philadelphia” is the message found on prayer cards. Please contact our pastors or church office if you would like us to send a prayer card to someone.

**Pastoral Care & Feedback Welcome:** We are grateful to people who let us know about pastoral needs in our church and community. We welcome visiting people in their homes, at work, in the hospital and at the church. We welcome the opportunity to bring home communion to anyone who would like to receive the sacrament. Please contact us by email: pastors@overbrookpresp.org, bruce@overbrookpresp.org or carolyn@overbrookpresp.org or call us (Office: 215-877-2744 or Bruce’s Cell: 302-528-1796 or Carolyn’s Cell: 302-528-1797) if you, or someone you know, would like a visit from an Overbrook pastor. Your ideas, feedback and prayers help us all serve better together. Please see our contact information above so we can have a conversation with you. Thank you. Pastors Bruce & Carolyn Gillette.
When Thomas Heard from Jesus

1. When Thomas heard from Jesus, "Now come and follow me," he surely went with gladness, for there was much to see. He don't know where you're going! How can we know the way?" He
2. When Jesus spoke of heaven, bold Thomas dared to say, "We Thomas spoke out firmly, "Let's go with him and die." He
3. When crowds began to murmur and leaders raised their cry, brave Thomas was not with them and would not trust their word. When
4. What joy on Easter evening when many saw the Lord! Yet Pentecost he witnessed so others would believe. O
5. That man of faith saw Jesus at breakfast by the sea; at witnessed Jesus' teaching and saw his healing touch; he wanted understanding of what he could not see. Then

He ate at Jesus' table, partaking wine and bread; yet Christ appeared before him, his doubts were quickly gone; he Lord, may we, like Thomas, keep growing day by day; in-

found a faith to guide him, a friend he loved so much. Jesus reassured him, "The way is here, through me." Later with the others, he saw the cross and fled. gladly knew that evening the joy of Easter dawn. crease our faith and guide us, for Lord, you are the Way.

MUSIC: Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864
AURELIA 76.76 D
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The Overbrook Quartet: Iris Fairfax, soprano; Lois Randle, mezzo-soprano; Toffer Mihalka, tenor; Matthew Lulofs, bass | Every Church Member - Minister

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*is a welcoming and diverse Christian community that actively seeks to love and serve God, each other and the world.*