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# Overbrook Presbyterian Church

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*Wenzel Peter, Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden*

**Worship Service**  
**April 14, 2024**  
**11:00 A.M.**

Welcome to Overbrook Presbyterian Church (on the Road)  
We are glad you are worshiping with us this morning!

## Notes on Today's Service

### Leadership:

The Rev. Dr. Adam Hearlson, Pastor  
Anne Conroy, Liturgist  
Sharon Parker, Parish Care Associate  
Marc Alfonse, Seminary Intern  
Anthony M. Carrella, Director of Children and Family Ministry  
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music  
The Overbrook Choir  
Matthew Lulofs, baritone

Today's chancel flowers are given by Pamela Smith in memory of her grandmother, Kathryn Bair Howry.

**Childcare** is available during the worship service. Worship is for all ages, but, should your infant or preschooler become restless, excellent childcare is provided in the nursery.

### **Large Print Bulletins and Hymns are Available.**

Please speak to one of the ushers if you have special needs.

Following worship today, please join us for Fellowship Hour, hosted by Nancy Gilhool. All are welcome!

❖=Stand as you are able

## GATHERING IN

PRELUDE

INTROIT

I am the Good Shepherd

G. T. Thalben-Ball  
(1896-1987)

❖CALL TO WORSHIP

*From St. Martin's Presbyterian Church, Christchurch New Zealand*

*Anne Conroy*

Leader: God who is beyond us,  
maker of heaven and earth –

People: **open our eyes to see the wonder of creation!**

Leader: God was made known  
In the life of Jesus the Christ

People: **Open our hearts to know the deep love of Christ!**

Leader: God who lives in each one of us as Spirit  
Holy fire to kindle our true purpose

All: **Open our beings to each other to confirm that we all belong,  
And together we can give birth to your new earth.**

❖HYMN (*on next page*)

LAUDA ANIMA

**Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven**

1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to his  
 2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his  
 3 Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our  
 4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be -

feet your trib - ute bring; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for -  
 peo - ple in dis - tress; praise him still the same as  
 fee - ble frame he knows; in his hands he gent - ly  
 hold him face to face. Sun and moon, bow down be -

giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 bears us, res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space: Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

WELCOME

*Adam Hearlson*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND COURAGE (*unison*)

*Anne Conroy*

*From John Humphries*

God of all sides,  
I have trespassed,  
I have crossed to where I should not go,  
I have transgressed boundaries and rules,  
I have overstepped to where I thought the grass was greener.  
I have stepped over the line you have drawn in the sand.  
Forgive me as you forgive the trespasses of others,  
May I forgive others as you forgive the trespasses of me.  
Lead me back to your pastures,  
Teaching me humility and grace on the way.  
This I return to you in prayer,  
In your Christ. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

EMBRACING GOD'S GRACE

❖ GLORIA PATRI

HYMN No. 581

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

## HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT

*Genesis 2:19-3:7*

*Anne Conroy*

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

BIBLICAL STORYTELLING

*Anthony Carrella*

*(Following the storytelling, learners in Pre-K through Grade 5  
are encouraged to recess to Sunday School.)*

SOLO

God Is My Shepherd  
*Matthew Lulofs, baritone*

Antonin Dvořák  
(1841-1904)

❖ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

HYMN No. 591



Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!



Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!



Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!



Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

❖ GOSPEL LESSON

Genesis 3:20-24

*Adam Hearlson*

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

❖ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*above*)

SERMON

“Women of the Old Testament: Eve”

*Adam Hearlson*

❖ HYMN (*on next page*)

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

IN BABILONE

1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness  
2 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures

of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,  
of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter - nal

which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's  
is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more

sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place  
faith - ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our lives re -

where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.  
flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Marc Alfonse*

*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.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

LIFE AT THE CROSSROADS

*Adam Hearlson*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Sharon Parker*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.



SHARING OF PEACE

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

*Adam Hearlson*

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING

Amanda Husberg  
(1940-2021)

If I Take the Wings of Morning  
*The Overbrook Choir*

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If I take the wings of morning  
and to foreign lands I flee;  
if I force the night to hide me,  
who will then come seeking me?  
There, O Love, I know you'll find me,  
there, O Love, I know you'll be  
with Love's light you'll blind the darkness,  
with Love's life you'll rescue me.

If near Eden's tree I wander  
in the place where sin began,  
where the serpent mocked obedience,  
separating God from man.  
There, O Love, I know...

If I build an ark to bear me  
safely to a mountain's crown,  
if the tower I raise to touch you  
wounds me as it tumbles down:

If fears bid my tongue deny you,  
if to treachery I yield,  
if remorse and bitter sorrow  
send me to that potter's field.

Neither death, nor life, nor angels,  
present things, those yet to be,  
neither height nor depth can ever  
separate God's love from me.

There, O Love...

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*Rae E. Whitney, 1995*

❖ DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below,  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*Anne Conroy*

God, receive these gifts and multiply them for the sake of your kingdom. May those who have been misunderstood and scapegoated, find grace and peace on account of our generosity. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

❖ HYMN (*on next page*)

ST. BRENDAN'S

We Are One in the Spirit

❖ BENEDICTION

*Adam Hearlson*

❖ CHORAL RESPONSE

Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Lead Me, Lord

(1810-1876)

POSTLUDE

*Please depart quietly for those who wish to listen to the postlude.*

Music Spotlight: Anthem at the Offering



This piece by **Amanda Husberg** (b. 1940) is packed with references to scripture. Of particular note is the second stanza, which discusses the story of Adam and Eve; it assures us that God will be there for us and reminds us how important it is to remain faithful. Listen to how each stanza is slightly different and to how these small changes in tempo (speed) and voicing reflect the text being sung.

# We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em) (Bm) (Em)  
Fm Cm Fm



1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;  
2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;  
3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;  
4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,

(Am) (Em)  
B<sup>b</sup>m Fm



we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,  
we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,  
we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,  
and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,

(Am) (Em)  
B<sup>b</sup>m Fm



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:  
and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:  
and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:  
and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

*Refrain*

(C) (Em)  
D<sup>b</sup> Fm



And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our

(Am) (Em) (Am) (Bm) (Em) (Am/E) (Em)  
B<sup>b</sup>m Fm B<sup>b</sup>m Cm Fm B<sup>b</sup>m/F Fm



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

Centering Prayer and Bible Study—Wednesday, April 17, 9:30 A.M. We will meet at Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El; Centering Prayer begins at 9:30 A.M., and Bible Study begins at 10:30 A.M.

Kensington Project—Sunday, April 21. OPC Youth will once again be serving our neighbors in Kensington on Sunday, April 21. They are accepting donations of lightly used clothing, shoes, blankets, and tote/duffel bags and suitcases, as usual. We do not need socks currently. Additionally, donations of toiletries (specifically wipes, deodorant, lip balm, sunscreen, toothbrush/toothpaste) are needed. Youth are being asked to gather at Penn Wynne at 9:30 to prepare the donations and we will leave right after worship. Thank you! Questions? Call or text Becky Lazo 443-745-3178.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) Update. Exciting news! This summer, VBS will be held off-site from **June 25–27**. Please save these dates in your calendars, as the CFM anticipates offering a vibrant program filled with art, nature, contemplative practices, and delicious snacks. While we finalize our camp facility option, please stay tuned for signup details and release forms coming soon.

Fellowship Hour Hosts Needed! During these past two months we have been able to continue our tradition of after worship refreshments, thanks to those who have volunteered to host. We at CLC are so grateful for your assistance! The next few months we will still need your help. Just scan the QR to sign up. If you have any questions, please contact Artia Benjamin by email at [clc@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:clc@overbrookpresb.org). You will receive a reminder email from the Signup Genius website. Please provide your email and phone number when you sign up. We will send you the Fellowship Hour Tips and guidelines document. So, let's "offer hospitality to one another without grumbling" (1 Peter 4:9, NIV).



Available Fellowship Hour Host Dates:

April 28	June 9
May 5	June 16
May 19	June 23
May 26	June 30
June 2	

## RETIRED PERSON'S MINISTRY: RPM ON THE MOVE!

All are welcome to participate in RPM activities, regardless of age! RPM Plus Friday events are designed for smaller group fellowship, community service, and shared learning. The RPM Cafe is open for business the fourth Friday of each month. Come join us at the Cafe for a good-spirited fellowship, a fine meal, and a thought-provoking program. Please save the dates for the following activities:

Field Trip to Temple Beth Am Israel—Friday, April 19, 10:00 A.M. Join as we travel for a special viewing of the acclaimed Souls Shot Portrait Exhibit. We will meet in the OPC parking lot to carpool. More details will follow in the RPM Weekly Update and church bulletins.

RPM Café—Friday, April 26, 11:30 A.M to 1:00 P.M. The Café will be open for business in Anderson Hall at The African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas. All are warmly welcome to join us! The program for the day will be “Building a Beloved Community: A Celebration of Mutual Ministry!” RPM is a parish ministry of OPC, and there is no charge to participate. For further information, please contact Sharon Parker ([sharon@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:sharon@overbrookpresb.org)) or Pat Dillon ([psdillon1@earthlink.net](mailto:psdillon1@earthlink.net)).

Walking with Spirit: A Celebration of Spring! Adventurers of all ages are invited to join the growing group of OPC woodland walkers as we explore area trails. For further information and for carpooling opportunities, please contact Sharon Parker ([sharon@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:sharon@overbrookpresb.org)).

- May 4—Stoneleigh: A Natural Garden, 1829 County Line Road, Villanova. Walkers will meet in the parking lot. Those who wish may bring their lunch and gather in the pavilion following the morning walk.

## Prayer List

- Prayers for restoration of health and comfort for Luis Wong who underwent hip replacement this week at Bryn Mawr Hospital.
- Prayers of comfort and consolation for Anne Foote and her family on the recent passing of Grenville Foote, loving and devoted husband, father, and friend.
- Prayers for compassionate care and comfort for Doris McDaniel, mother of Jim McDaniel.
- Prayers for comfort and peace for Colleen Granata, mother of Brad Biedermann. .
- Prayers for comfort and restoration of health for Gloria Newsome, sister of Marlin Newsome, as she recovers from recent surgery.
- Prayers for comfort and restoration of health for Rusty Marron, brother of Judy Williamson, following his recent surgery.
- Prayers for comfort and peace for Barbara Lappen, mother of Mary Bear Shannon.
- Prayers for compassionate care and comfort for Hannah Baukert's mother Mary, who is receiving hospice care.
- Prayers for compassionate care and comfort for John Shackelford, brother of Kate, as he receives medical treatment following brain surgery.
- Prayers for all who are facing health challenges, especially Scott Long, Caroline Skinner, Sonya Smith, Gwen Harden, Ed Harvey, Aqueelah Folwell, Stephanie Stokes, Milton Stokes, Natalie DeShields, Bill Long, and Jean Long.
- Prayers of thanksgiving for the joyful return of OPK students and staff to their Overbrook classrooms. Prayers of gratitude for all who have supported Overbrook during our time of relocation, especially Penn Wynne Presbyterian Church, Llanerch Presbyterian Church, Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, the African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas, and St. Charles Seminary.

*Please contact Bill Baker ([wbaklava@aol.com](mailto:wbaklava@aol.com)) or Sharon Parker ([sharon@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:sharon@overbrookpresb.org)) to add names to the prayer list.*

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The Overbrook Quartet:

Iris Fairfax, *soprano*; Allison Chang, *alto*;

Toffer Mihalka, *tenor*; Matthew Lulofs, *bass*

“Overbrook Presbyterian Church actively seeks to worship God, serving each other and the world through a welcoming, loving, and inclusive ministry.”

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