
Overbrook Presbyterian Church



Worship Service
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 25 2019
10:30 a.m.

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.

Leading Worship Today:

The Rev. Dr. Adam Hearlson, Pastor
Lay Leader: Amanda Duckworth; Acolyte: OPC Youth
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music
Toffer Mihalka, tenor
The Overbrook Summer Handbell Choir
Marcia Sommers, guest director

The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God

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, Mary Scott, Jason Sheau,
Alan Sigler, Nickie Stokes and Adepeju Adebajo.

Openers/Closers:
Sabrina Johnson

Deacons Delivering Flowers:
Alan Sigler and Angie Goodall

Following worship today, please join us for Coffee Hour in the Wistar Morris Room. We would like to thank The VanRawleys for hosting today's coffee hour. All are welcome!

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

Charles Villiers Stanford

Prelude, op. 101, no. 6
("The King of Love My Shepherd Is")

(1852-1924)

❖CALL TO WORSHIP – *from Psalm 71*

Leader: You O God, are our refuge and strength.

People: You O God, have rescued us.

Leader: You O God, are a strong fortress

People: and an ever present help in trouble.

Leader: Before we knew you, you knew us.

People: May our praises be sweet sound to your ears.

Leader: Come, let us worship the eternal God,

People: Who was, is and is to come.

❖HYMN No. 393

ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

O Day of Rest and Gladness

WELCOME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION-*by David G. Miller*

Lord of the Sabbath, hear our prayer. It is hard for us to stop working, and harder still to stop worshipping work. We confess that our busyness often substitutes for our holiness. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to be still enough to know you. Help us to understand that your sabbath is the seam between the world of work and the work of worship. Help us to know that the sabbath is what keeps us from unraveling, that it knits up the harried and makes them holy, that it even helps to heal creation from the crash. In this quiet, peaceful time, we honor you, we rest in you, we long to know you as maker and mender. Through Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖GLORIA PATRI

HYMN No. 581

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 103:1-8 Page 523/pew Bible
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

TIME WITH CHILDREN *Christy Lang Hearlson*
(All Children are welcome to remain in worship, should parents so wish; children in
Pre-K through Grade 2 may gather in the nursery following the Time with Children.)

SOLO Joseph H. Adams
“The Lord is merciful” from *Bless the Lord, O My Soul* (1863-1938)
Toffer Mihalka, tenor

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
and plentiful in mercy,
Slow to anger, kind and gracious,
and plenteous in truth and mercy.

He executeth righteousness and judgment
for all that are oppressed,
He made known His ways unto Moses,
His acts unto the children of Israel.

Psalm 103:6-8 (King James Version)

NEW TESTAMENT Luke 13:10-17 Page 71/pew Bible
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON “A Sabbath’s Worth” *Adam Hearlson*

❖ HYMN No. 169 REST

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

❖ 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.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Adam Hearlson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER (*using Debts/Debtors*)

Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*

SHARING OF PEACE (*"The peace of Christ be with you," "And also with you"*)

OFFERING

The Lord Is My Shepherd
Toffer Mihalka, tenor

Samuel Liddle
(1867-1961)

❖ DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 607

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

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

❖ HYMN No. 840

VILLE DU HAVRE

When Peace like a River

SENDING FORTH

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN No. 541, stanza 1

God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

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

POSTLUDE

Barbara B. Kinyon
(b. 1929)

A Joyful Ring
The Overbrook Summer Handbell Choir
Marcia Sommers, guest director



Today we welcome **Marcia Sommers** as the guest director of the Overbrook Summer Handbell Choir. As you know, Marcia has graciously supported the Overbrook Junior Choir as a guest volunteer and director. In addition to her wonderful work with our children, this week, Marcia led an intensive handbell workshop for those of all ages interested in ringing at Overbrook; today is a culmination of those efforts. Please join us in welcoming Marcia to our church and thanking her for her time and talents.

The **cover artwork** is *Woman with an Infirmary of Eighteen Years*, part of the series of paintings by James Tissot (1836-1902) that centered on the life of Christ. You may recall from an earlier bulletin that Tissot was a painter of fashionable French society until a personal religious revival, after which he traveled to the Middle East and began creating art based on Biblical events. However, it is worth noting that his painting style stood in contrast to his contemporaries: while they were heavily involved in the impressionism and pointillism movements, Tissot moved toward realism. His detailed depictions of subjects, especially their garments, may have been influenced by his parents' role in the fashion industry of the late nineteenth century.

☞ This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church ☞

Sunday, August 25	11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
	12:00 p.m. Mission/Outreach Committee
Tuesday, August 27	12:00 p.m. Worship & Music Committee
Wednesday, August 28	10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study-Williamson Rm
Sunday, September 1	10:30 a.m. Worship Service
	11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

☞ Looking Ahead: OPC Happenings ☞

Wednesday, August 28

Adult Bible Study, 10:00 a.m., with Pastor Adam. He will be discussing Genesis 16.

Sunday, September 1

There will be no *Adult Christian Education Forum* on Sunday, September 1, due to Labor Day. Adult CE Forum will resume on Sunday, September 8.

Friday, September 6

Red Cross Blood Drive. It's time to join the life-saving journey! You can save time and pre-register by visiting www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass, or you can simply schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Rottinger or Suchita Fiorillo or call the church office.

Sunday, September 8, and Sunday, September 15



We are holding an Inquirer class for all those who are discerning membership at Overbrook Presbyterian Church at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel. If you have questions about the church, its theology, how it makes decisions, and what membership means, you are invited to these two meetings. The first meeting will provide an overview of the church, its history, and membership expectations; there will be ample time for questions. The second class will be an opportunity to meet each other and to talk about what brought us to OPC and how everyone might get involved in the life of the congregation. So, whether you have been a longtime friend of the church or you are brand-new, come and be a part of this class.

Monday, September 9

Everyone is welcome to the next meeting of the OPC book club at 7:30 p.m. at Raelyn Harmon's home. We will discuss Anthony Doerr's book *All the Light We Cannot See*. Please let Raelyn know if you are coming."

General Announcements



Confirmation 2019-2020

As Summer turns to Autumn, it is time to begin our bi-annual confirmation class! Is your child in 7th or 8th grade?

Are they interested in an experiential class that discusses our faith tradition and how it connects to the world? Are they interested in a capstone trip where we will tour places where faith has made a difference in this country? If your child is interested in confirmation, please contact Adam at adam@overbrookpresb.org. The class will begin October 6. Details about the confirmation will be sent to parents very soon.



We are still in need of Coffee Hour Hosts for the following Sundays: September 8, 15, 22 and 29. All ages can participate.

There is a sign-up genius on the website; it can be found on the home page under the heading "Sunday Morning Schedule, Coffee Hour." Remember to keep it simple. Folks

are always present to lend a hand. Coffee hour is a cherished tradition at OPC, and hosts are heaped with gratitude by this congregation. For more information, please contact Peggy Kaercher at 610-642-2906 or Pat Ogundele at 610-668-1309. Thank you!



Chancel Flowers

Chancel Flowers. If anyone is interested in dedicating in honor of or in memory of the Sunday Chancel Flowers please see the sign up in the Wistar Morris Room. The cost of the flowers is \$35.00. The following dates are available September 15, 22, 29 and

October 6.



Ask and you shall receive! Many people have requested copies of Adam's sermons, and they are now available weekly. If you would like to receive copies of Adam's sermons on a weekly basis, please email Lisa in the office and let her know, indicating if you would like a hard copy or one via email.

APPORTIONMENT

Each year our church is assessed for the administrative cost of being a part of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The assessment is based on the number of church members on the rolls. Overbrook's 2019 share is \$11,846.25, or \$29.25 per member.

Please help us defray this expense by writing a check payable to Overbrook Presbyterian Church for all church members in your family (including children who have been confirmed). Write "apportionment" on the memo line. You can mail your check to the church office (6376 City Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19151) or leave it in the offering plate any Sunday.

If you'd prefer to use a credit card, you can scan this QR code below or click on the Apportionment button on our webpage. Either one will take you to our PayPal where you can make your donation with a credit card—it's set up for \$30, \$60, \$90, or other amount, depending on how many church members are in your family. The extra 75 cents is to help cover the credit card processing fees.



Thank you for your generosity!

Sermon Notes

Prayer List

- ◆ Pat, friend of Ginny Leagans, is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- ◆ Zack Stanners, born on August 4, is battling serious health issues and is in the NCIU at Bryn Mawr Hospital.
- ◆ Sharon Parker is home recovering from back surgery. She welcomes visitors!
- ◆ Margaret Young's son Keith has been diagnosed with cancer.
- ◆ Diane, Laurie Geer's sister, has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.
- ◆ Julie Hearlson, Adam's stepmother, has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer.
- ◆ Brad Biedermann's stepfather, Lou, is in severe and constant pain from rheumatoid arthritis.
- ◆ Ed Harvey is doing better but still is experiencing health concerns and he is grateful for all the prayers.
- ◆ Bruce Gillette had a transfusion last week and is preparing another round of chemotherapy before undergoing a bone marrow transplant.
- ◆ John Nathaniel continues to recover from a stroke.
- ◆ Ellen Burr is experiencing ongoing medical concerns.

Please contact Mike Rottinger to add names to the prayer list.

Mike can be reached by email (mike.rottinger@comcast.net).

You can also leave a message with the Church Office.

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