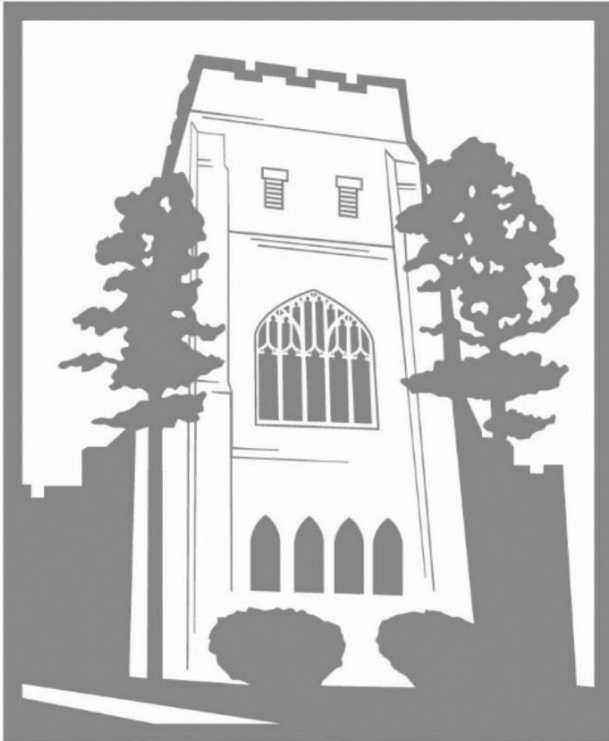

Overbrook Presbyterian Church



Worship Service
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
February 10, 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. Raymond Bonwell
Lay Leader: Becky Lazo; Acolyte: Aria Fiorillo
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music
Matthew Lulofs, baritone
The Overbrook Choir

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

Opener/Closer:

Phil Sheau

Deacons Delivering Flowers:

Peju Adebajo and Nancy Elmore

Following worship today, please join us for refreshments in the Wistar Morris Room. 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

PRELUDES

Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier

J. S. Bach

Adoration

Florence Price

Florence Price was the first African-American woman (1887-1953)
to have a composition played by a major orchestra.

INTROIT

The Lord is in his holy temple

Ann Ker

(b. 1938)

❖CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 19)

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

People: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

Leader: The [instruction] of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;

People: the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;

ALL: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

❖HYMN No. 733

ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

We All Are One in Mission

GREETING

The Rev. Raymond Bonwell

PRAYER OF CONFESSION- (UNISON)

Almighty and merciful God,

we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much

the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against your holy laws.

We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;

and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Spare those who confess their faults.
Restore those who are penitent,
according to your promises declared to the world
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
And grant, O merciful God, for his sake,
that we may live a holy, just, and humble life
to the glory of your holy name.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖ GLORIA PATRI

HYMN No. 581

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 Page 416/pew Bible
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Let's Sing about God's Love
The Overbrook Junior Choir
Christopher Gage and Marcia Sommers, directors

Natalie Sleeth
(1930-1992)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

The Rev. Raymond Bonwell
(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 Time with Children.)

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Page 163/pew Bible

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 4:14-21

Page 57/pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Rev. Raymond Bonwell
“Let's Try This Again”

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

❖AFFIRMATION OF FAITH- *Westminster Confession of Faith, 6.007*

All things in Scripture are not alike plain in themselves, nor alike clear unto all; yet those things which are necessary to be known, believed, and observed, for salvation, are so clearly propounded and opened in some place of Scripture or other, that not only the learned, but the unlearned, in a due use of the ordinary means, may attain unto a sufficient understanding of them.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

*At the called congregational meeting on December 16, 2018, members elected the following individuals to these respective offices. On January 13, 2019, as part of the service of worship, those previously ordained were installed; the balance were ordained and installed. While terms are typically three years (referred to as classes), it is appropriate to elect individuals to shorter terms to fill unexpired terms. Individuals may be elected to a second consecutive three-year term (indicated by **).*

ELDERS

Ordained and installed to a one-year term as Elder:

Larry McGhee (Class of 2019)

Ordained and installed to a three-year term as Elder: (Class of 2021)

Elaine Blodgett

Elizabeth Mendoza

Herbert Brabham

Installed to a three-year term as Elder: (Class of 2021)

Richard B. Owens

*Aimerie Scherluebbe***

DEACONS

Ordained and installed to a three-year term as Deacon: (Class of 2021)

Mary Lou Ryce

Installed to a three-year term as Deacon: (Class of 2021)

Nancy Gilhool

*Terri Hunter***

Since (ordination and installation) is a function of the entire church, completed within a service of worship, today we install to a three-year term as Deacon: (Class of 2021)

Nancy Elmore

*Carol Tulba***

Introduction of Deacons to Be Installed

Sara K. Davis, Clerk of Session

Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows

The congregation is asked to respond with the text in bold.

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world? **I do.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? **I do.**

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love? **I will, with God's help.**

The Questions of Installation

Questions to the Congregation

Sara K. Davis, Clerk of Session

Do we, the members of the church, accept as deacons Nancy Elmore, and Carol Tulba, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.**

Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

Declaration of Installation, and Welcome to Ministry

COMMISSIONING TO SERVICE

More than 100 years ago, Overbrook Presbyterian Church sent Dr. William A. Briggs to Chiang Rai, Thailand, as a medical missionary. The hospital that was established is called Overbrook Hospital. To honor this connection and relationship, Will Schick is returning this week to Thailand as an ambassador of the Church at the Crossroads.

The Call to Discipleship

Do we, the members of the church, send Will Schick as our ambassador to Overbrook Hospital in Thailand, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ? **We do.**

Do we agree to pray for Will, and to encourage Will, as he seeks to fulfill his responsibilities in this witness to Jesus Christ, **We do.**

Commissioning Prayer

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

The Rev. Raymond Bonwell

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

Charles Villiers Stanford

Hymn (after a song of Wisdom)

(1852-1924)

The Overbrook Choir

O for a closer walk with God,
A calm and heavenly frame;
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy dove, return,
Sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,
And drove thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God,
Calm and serene my frame;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb.

❖ 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. 700

I'M GONNA LIVE

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

❖BENEDICTION

SENDING FORTH

❖CHORAL RESPONSE

George Thalben-Ball

Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee (1986-1987)

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

POSTLUDE

Eugene Thayer

Postlude in C

(1838-1889)



Prayer List

- ◆ Joe Duckworth, father of Jason Duckworth, during his hospitalization.
- ◆ Pat Dillon is continuing her recovery after a successful hip-replacement surgery.
- ◆ Eric Long's father, Bill Long, had cancer recurrence.
- ◆ Judy Kelly Johnson, Danielle Long's mother, is having a partial hip replacement.
- ◆ US Army Chaplain, Captain Christopher Duckworth, as he is deployed to Kuwait. Chaplain Chris is the brother of Jason Duckworth and son of Sharon Parker.
- ◆ Lynda Johnson is scheduled for ambulatory surgery to improve circulation in her veins.
- ◆ Gwen Harden continues to recover from gallstone surgery.
- ◆ Ernestine Harris, mother-in-law of Lynn Pompa, is recovering well from her cardiac procedures.
- ◆ Dick Williamson is undergoing medical testing.
- ◆ Terri Carter is doing well with her physical therapy after her hip replacement.
- ◆ Wayne Gage, Chris Gage's father, was admitted to the hospital this week for further testing.
- ◆ John Nathaniel as he is continues to recover from a stroke.
- ◆ Ellen Burr is experiencing ongoing medical concerns

Please contact Mike Rottinger for any pastoral concerns or 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.

☞ This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church ☞

Sunday, February 10	9:15 a.m. Arrival for Education (Ages 3-103) 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour 12:00 p.m. Deacon Committee (Chapel) 12:00 p.m. Personnel Committee (Williamson)
Monday, February 11	5:15 p.m. Junior Choir (Choir Room) 7:30 p.m. OPC Book Club –Elizabeth Cosgriff’s Home
Tuesday, February 12	7:00 p.m. Session
Wednesday, February 13	10:00 a.m. Bible Study
Thursday, February 14	7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday, February 16	9:30 a.m. Prayer Breakfast 1:30 p.m. OPC Jr. Youth Ice Skating @ Skatium
Sunday, February 17	9:15 a.m. Arrival for Education (Ages 3-103) 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour 12:00 p.m. Christian Education Committee (Chapel) 2:00 p.m. OPC Youth Ice Skating @ Rothman Rink

☞ Looking Ahead: Christian Education (Ages 3-103) ☞

Wednesday, February 13 - Adult Bible Study. Bible Study will resume at 10:00 a.m. We will conclude our study of the Doctrine of Election (and Predestination), and determine our topic until Lent (Feb. 20 and 27).

Sunday February 17

Christian Education (Ages 3-103), 9:15 a.m. – Adults are welcome to learn about “The Lord’s Prayer.” Children and Youth will meet in Fellowship Hall starting at 9:15 a.m. and then will go to their respective classrooms to begin Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.

☞ Looking Ahead: OPC Happenings ☞

TODAY, Sunday, February 10

The Philadelphia Chapter of the National Black Presbyterian Caucus and the Presbytery of Philadelphia invite you to attend their Annual African American Heritage Celebration on Sunday, February 10, 2019, from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm at Oxford Presbyterian Church.

2019 Theme – Becoming New: A Caucus for Such a Time as This!

“Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?” Esther 4:14b

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Diane Moffett, President and Director of the Presbyterian Mission Agency

Honorees: Rev. Kevin Porter, Stated Clerk, Presbytery of Philadelphia, and Rev. Ruth Faith Santana-Grace, Executive Presbyter, Presbytery of Philadelphia.

As part of the celebration, there will be Liturgical Dancer, a Mass Choir, and refreshments following worship. Please contact Oxford Presbyterian Church at 215.247.9487 for more information.

Monday, February 11

The next meeting of the OPC book club will be Monday, February 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Elizabeth Cosgriff, 251 Linden Lane, Merion Station. We will discuss *The Book of Strange New Things*, by Michel Faber. All are welcome! Please RSVP to elizabethcosgriff@gmail.com or 610-747-0602.

Saturday, February 16

OPC Prayer Breakfast from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Come join the fellowship, enjoy the buffet, and share a time of prayer. We'll be enjoying fellowship and sharing breakfast from 9:30-10:15 a.m. and then lifting our prayer requests until 11:00 a.m.. Responses are appreciated. Please sign up in the Wistar Morris Room following worship, or by contacting Sharon Parker (sparker614@gmail.com).

☞ General Announcements ☞

OPC Security Improvements: In an ongoing effort to provide for the safety and security of our members, tenants, and the building itself, current security systems are being upgraded. Security system orientation sessions will be provided for those volunteers needing access to the building outside of regular office and building operating hours. Church staff members and Bill Baker will assist with this transition. The upgrades also will include the re-keying of all exterior locks. New exterior keys will be issued during the week of February 10 to all who currently have an exterior key. If you need to receive a new key please contact Lisa Faso, office manager, during office hours – T-F 9:30-3 to set up a time to receive a new front door key.

PNC Committee Process Update:

The Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) joyfully announces that we have chosen a candidate for our Designated Pastor position, the Rev. Dr. Adam Hearlson. On Sunday February 24, 2019, the Reverend will preach at OPC. After worship that same day, there will be a Congregational Meeting in which all present OPC members will vote on whether to accept this candidate as our new pastor. Please plan on attending. Church members must be present to vote. The PNC thanks the congregation for your prayers and words of support. During this journey, we have attempted to faithfully and diligently keep the congregation's stated hopes for our church's present and future in mind.

Yours in Christ,

The Pastoral Nominating Committee

Co-chairs: Andrea Gosfield, Robert Harden Jr., Margene Biedermann,
Cheryl Davis, Jason Duckworth, Suchita Fiorillo, Joe Piatt, Aimerie Scherluebbe,
and Jill Van Rawley

Coffee Hour

We would like to thank Peggy Kaercher and Pat Ogundele, who graciously volunteered to be the contact people for coffee hour. We are still in of hosts for the upcoming months. Let's keep this beloved ministry going for 2019. Signups for coffee hour are available on the OPC web site and in the church kitchen (on the door). For more information, please contact Peggy Kaercher at 610-642-2906 or Pat Ogundele at 610-668-1309. Thank you!

Narberth Community Theater's production of West Side Story is set to begin March 1 and this play is sure to entice you to be entertained with this familiar and popular modern day Romeo and Juliet story. NCT has allocated a certain amount of tickets for each play for OPC to sell, and the revenues from those tickets are completely donated to OPC. See [Jeff Bowker](#) for these tickets. We are also in need of volunteers to help staff the concession stand. Revenues from 'THEATRE REFRESHMENT STAND' are also slotted to support OPC's general budget. Hope you will be able to help. Just give us a call or look for your invitation to serve via Genius Signup. Contact Person: Trudy Sheau, 215 878 4872

OPC SESSION MEMBERS:

The Rev. Raymond Bonwell, Moderator

Sara Davis, Clerk of Session; Stephanie Morris, Treasurer

** indicates second consecutive term

Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
Jeffrey Bowker**	Rachel Carnahan**	Elaine Blodgett
Raelyn Harman**	Kevin Davis	Herbert Brabham
Larry McGhee	Becky Lazo	Elizabeth Mendoza
Deborah Rottinger	Will Schick**	Richard Owens
Eileen Wiggins	Karen Wong**	Aimerie Scherluebbe**

OPC DEACONS:

Mike Rottinger, Moderator, Board of Deacons

Brad Biedermann, Treasurer; Jill Van Rawley, Secretary

** indicates second consecutive term

Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
Artia Benjamin	Peju Adebajo	Nancy Elmore
Suchita Fiorillo	Brad Biedermann**	Nancy Gilhool
Angie Goodall**	Sabrina Johnson**	Terri Hunter**
Michael Rottinger**	Alan Sigler	Mary Lou Ryce
Nickie Stokes	Jill Van Rawley	Carol Tulba**

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The Rev. David McMillan - *Pastor Emeritus*

Dr. Christopher Gage - *Director of Music*

Sharon Parker - *Director of Christian Education & Church Administration*

Lisa Faso - *Office Manager*

Carol Rozmiarek - *Financial Secretary*

Leonard Robbins - *Church Custodian*

The Overbrook Quartet:

Iris Fairfax, *soprano*; Molly McDonald, *alto*;

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

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