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# Overbrook Presbyterian Church

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Worship Service  
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany  
Communion Sunday  
February 3, 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: Ron Homer; Acolyte: Emma Biedermann

Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music

Matthew Lulofs, baritone

The Overbrook Choir

Today we welcome **Rebecca Sacks** as our soprano section leader.

### The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God

by Artia Benjamin in loving memory of Willie and Amanda Mobley, great grandparents.

**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:

**Phil Sheau**, Tyrone Frisby, Ron Homer, Jane Krumrine, Jim McDaniel, Carol Tulba and Sean Whalen

### Communion Servers:

Terri Hunter, Becky Lazo, Peju Adebajo, Jill Van Rawley, Mike Rottinger, Davorka Sabljak, Aimerie Scherluebbe and Sean Whalen

### Opener/Closer:

Mike Rottinger

### Deacons Delivering Flowers:

Jill Van Rawley and Nickie Stokes

Following worship today, please join us for refreshments in the Wistar Morris Room. We would like to thank Artia Benjamin, Linda Huff-Paul and Aqueelah Folwell for today's refreshments. 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

There Is a Happy Land  
Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

George Shearing  
(1919-2011)

INTROIT

O Taste and See

Eleanor Daley  
(b. 1955)

### ❖CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus calls us to God's table, rooted firm in time and space,

People: **Where the church in earth and heaven finds a common meeting place.**

Leader: Share the bread and wine, Christ's body.

People: **Share the love of which we sing.**

Leader: Share the feast of saints and sinners,

People: **Hosted by our Lord and King.**

ALL: **Bring us together at your table, O God!**

❖HYMN No. 667

LAUDES DOMINI  
When Morning Gilds the Skies

GREETING

*Amos Paul*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION- (UNISON)

Lord Jesus, we know that you spent a lot of time around dinner tables eating with all sorts of unexpected people. And yet, we struggle to dine as you dined. We struggle to break bread with the sinners and strangers in our midst, believing we are better than others. Forgive us, Lord God, for not sharing your communing ministry around our tables. Forgive us and then bond us together as one people and one body. Help us to dine with people across different cultures, traditions, and beliefs. Help us to build longer tables instead of higher fences in every aspect of our lives. We pray in the name of your son Jesus, who is the bread of life. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT                      Psalm 34:1-8                      Page 649/pew Bible  
The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

SOLO    Ralph Vaughan Williams  
“Love bade me welcome” from *Five Mystical Songs* (1872-1958)  
*Matthew Lulofs, baritone*

TIME WITH CHILDREN    *The Rev. Laura Colee*  
*(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.)*

GOSPEL LESSON                      Mark 2:13-17                      Page 2/pew Bible  
The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

SERMON    *The Rev. Laura Colee*  
“Companions”

❖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

*Amos Paul*

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

John Rutter  
(b. 1945)

Thy Perfect Love  
*The Overbrook Choir*  
*Toffer Mihalka, tenor*

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Jesu, my love, my joy, my rest,  
Thy perfect love close in my breast  
That I thee love and never rest;  
And make me love thee of all things best,  
And wounde my heart in thy love free,  
That I may reign in joy evermore with thee.

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❖ DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 607

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

...we sing the ageless hymn of glory:

## SANCTUS (sung by all)



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -



san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high-est.



Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high-est, ho - san-na in the high-est.

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Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ...

**Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

*Communion will be received in the pews today. There will be gluten-free bread in the center of the tray. The Deacons and Elders will bring the trays to your pew and pass it to you, first the bread and then the cup. Take the bread when it comes to you, pass the plate on, and partake of your bread when you are ready (this demonstrates how Christ comes to each of us individually). When the trays of glasses come to you, take a glass, pass on the tray, and hold the glass until all are served. Then all will drink together (this demonstrates the unity of the Church Universal).*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of majesty and light,  
you hold the whole world in your hand.  
So we give you our great praise  
that in Jesus Christ all people may see your glory.  
We thank you for revealing Jesus to be your Son,  
and for claiming our lives in baptism  
to be his glad disciples.  
By your Spirit,  
may peace descend upon us  
that we may follow him with grateful hearts.  
Take us and all we have to be useful in your service,  
God of all nations,  
in the gracious name of Jesus Christ, your Son,  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
now and forever.

❖ HYMN No. 415

RESTORATION

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

❖ BENEDICTION

SENDING FORTH

❖ CHORAL RESPONSE

Eric Thiman  
(1900-1975)

Blessed are they

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

POSTLUDE

Christian Cappelen  
(1845-1916)

Postlude in C



## ☞ This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church ☛

Sunday, February 3	9:15 a.m.	Arrival for Education (Ages 3-103)
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour /Souper Bowl of Caring
	12:00 p.m.	Communications Committee (Chapel)
	12:00 p.m.	New Members Meeting (Williamson)
Monday, February 4	5:15 p.m.	Junior Choir (Choir Room)
Tuesday, February 5	1:00 p.m.	Worship & Music Committee
	7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee
Wednesday, February 6	<b>No Adult Bible Study</b>	
Thursday, February 7	7:15 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
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.	Deacons (Chapel)
	12:00 p.m.	Personnel (Williamson)

The cover artwork is *The Calling of Saint Matthew* by Vittore Carpaccio (1465-1525). It now sits in the Scuola di San Giorgio degli Schiavoni in Venice, the city where Carpaccio spent his life. Notice the architectural style of the gates and surrounding buildings—this painting is, in fact, set in Venice, rather than the Biblical setting of Capernaum.

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

Wednesday, February 6-No Adult Bible Study. Bible Study will resume Wednesday, February 13 at 10:00 a.m.

### Sunday February 10

Christian Education (Ages 3-103), 9:15 a.m. – Adults are welcome to learn with the Rev. Raymond Bonwell. We will be beginning a study on “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 ☛

### Sunday, February 3

Today is Super Bowl Sunday and also Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday. Help our Overbrook Presbyterian Church Youth fight global hunger Following worship on Sunday, February 3, our youth will be stationed in the Wistar Morris Room with two soup pots, each pot representing a 2018 Super Bowl contender. By making a donation in one (or both) of the pots, you will be supporting Feed My Starving



Children. As we donate funds to this worthy cause, let's see which team "wins" in receiving the most donations.

### 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 (NKJV)

· 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 ∞

Today we welcome the Rev. Laura Colee. She is Head Pastor at Broad Street Ministry in Center City, Philadelphia. She grew up in central Illinois and joined a PCUSA congregation in high school. Laura completed her undergraduate work at Northwestern University and received her Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary. Prior to her position at BSM, she served as the Interim Associate Pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Haddonfield, New Jersey. She is a lover of all things Hebrew Bible, social justice, and Philadelphia. She teaches a section of the introductory to Old Testament course at Eastern University as an Adjunct Professor. Laura and her husband Eric live in the Port Richmond neighborhood of Philadelphia with their beloved dog Frankie

PNC Committee Process Update:

The Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) joyfully announces that we have chosen a candidate for our Designated Pastor position. The candidate was among a group of pastors vetted by the Presbytery as a possible good fit for OPC. The Reverend is very happy and honored to accept our offer. We are grateful to the Presbytery, as they have laid out the necessary steps in this process for selecting our Designated Pastor. Currently, our PNC Co-chairs, Andrea Gosfield and Robert Harden Jr., are working out details for the pastor's terms of call, with support from our Treasurer and Personnel Committee. The Commission on Ministry will meet on February 7, 2019 to interview the candidate and to approve the terms of call. Shortly after this meeting, the candidate's current church will give a formal announcement about the transition, and OPC Session will review the candidate's credentials. At that time, the pastor's identity will be shared with our OPC community through a worship announcement, OPC's Weekly E-News, Facebook page, listserv, mail, and church bulletin. In addition, a pastor information brochure will be sent out during the week prior to the OPC Congregational Meeting. 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

Property Committee is pleased to announce that on Tuesday, February 5 and Wednesday, February 6 a new alarm system will be installed throughout the church. This is a major step forward in our ongoing effort to keep our congregation and our building safe. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Baker, [wbaklava@aol.com](mailto:wbaklava@aol.com).

Coffee Hour Hosts are needed for 2019. 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 microwave). For more information, please contact Raelyn Harman at 610-331-8972 or Artia Benjamin. Thank you!

## Prayer List

- ◆ Frank Fairfax, Iris Fairfax's father, died this week.
- ◆ 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 Pempa, 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 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](mailto:mike.rottinger@comcast.net)).*

*You can also leave a message with the Church Office.*

## Sermon Notes

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The Overbrook Quartet:

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

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

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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.***

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