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# Overbrook Presbyterian Church

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Worship Service  
Second Sunday after Epiphany  
January 20, 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, Bridge Pastor  
Lay Leader: Noble Brigham; Acolyte: Hannah Lazo  
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music  
Iris Fairfax, soprano  
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:

Robert Harden, Jr., Davorka Sabljak, Aimerie Scherluebbe, Will Schick,  
Trudy Sheau, and Kevin Davis

### Opener/Closer:

Jeff Bowker

### Deacons Delivering Flowers:

Peju Adebajo and Nickie Stokes

Following worship today, please join us for refreshments in the Wistar Morris Room. We would like to the Piatts-Cosgriffs 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

PRELUDE

Berceuse

Louis Vierne  
(1870-1937)

INTROIT

Praise ye the Lord

Donald Cashmore  
(1926-2013)

❖ **CALL TO WORSHIP** *from Psalm 36*

One: Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,  
your faithfulness to the clouds.

Many: Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,  
your judgments are like the great deep;  
you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.

One: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!  
All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

Many: For with you is the fountain of life;  
in your light we see light.

All: O continue your steadfast love to those who know you,  
and your salvation to the upright of heart!

❖ **HYMN No. 339**

LIFT EVERY VOICE

Lift Every Voice and Sing

GREETING

*The Rev. Raymond Bonwell*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION-(UNISON)

Holy God, you see us as we are,  
and know our inmost thoughts.

We confess that we are unworthy of your gracious care.

We forget that all life comes from you  
and that to you all life returns.

We have not always sought or done your will.

We have not lived as your grateful children,  
nor loved as Christ loved us.

Apart from you, we are nothing.

Only your grace can sustain us.



A Liturgy to Honor Alovo Yawa Lucie Epse Gumedzo  
and to Remember All Departed Souls Dear to Our Hearts

*Alovo Yawa Lucie Epse Gumedzo*

*(d. December 1, 2018, age 64)*

*Maternity General Supervisor at Tokoin Teaching Hospital in Lomé, Togo*

*Active in le Eglise évangélique presbytérienne du Togo, EEPT*

*(The Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Togo)*

*Beloved daughter, sister, wife, mother, cousin, aunt, and grandmother.*

*Dela Gumedzo returned to Lomé, Togo for the services for her mother, Lucie Gumedzo; to mourn and to celebrate with prayers and songs (Dec. 18, 2018) and for the Service of Witness to the Resurrection (Dec. 22, 2018). Dela was present with her father, two brothers, and sister.*

*As we have read today in 1 Corinthians 12, and will continue to read next week, we are indeed one body, with many parts. In one part grieves, we all grieve. And grief shared is grief halved.*

*Those who were near to Lucie Gumedzo, I invite you to stand in body or spirit. For those who grieve the loss of someone dear to their heart, I invite you to stand in body or spirit. And as a sign of solidarity and unity for those who grieve, I invite the remaining community to stand in body or spirit.*

For Lucie and those souls near and dear to our hearts,  
who are no longer with us,  
let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ  
who said, "I am the resurrection and the life."  
Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress;  
draw near to us who mourn,  
and dry the tears of those who weep.

**Hear us, Lord.**

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend;  
comfort us in our sorrow.

**Hear us, Lord.**

When those dear to our heart pass unexpectedly;  
share with us the Peace of Christ.

**Hear us, Lord.**

You raised the dead to life;  
give to all those souls who are departed eternal life.

**Hear us, Lord.**

Lucie and those who were washed in baptism  
and anointed with the Holy Spirit;  
give them fellowship with all your saints.

**Hear us, Lord.**

For Lucie and those nourished at your table on earth;  
welcome them at your table in the heavenly kingdom.

**Hear us, Lord.**

Glorious and Loving God, we pray to you for Lucie,  
and for all those whom we love but see no longer.

Grant to them eternal rest.

Let perpetual light shine upon them.

May her soul, and the souls of all the departed,  
through your mercy, rest in peace.

**Amen.**

❖HYMN No. 722

CANONBURY

**Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak**

❖AFFIRMATION OF FAITH- (*Westminster Shorter Catechism; 7.063-65*)

Q. 63. Which is the Fifth Commandment?

A. **The Fifth Commandment is, “Honor thy father and thy mother:  
that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy  
God giveth thee.”**

Q. 64. What is required in the Fifth Commandment?

A. **The Fifth Commandment requires the preserving the honor,  
and performing the duties, belonging to everyone in their  
several places and relations, as superiors, inferiors, or equals.**

Q. 65. What is forbidden in the Fifth Commandment?

A. **The Fifth Commandment forbids the neglecting of, or doing  
anything against, the honor and duty which belongs to  
everyone in their several places and relations.**

## 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

God and Love are One  
*The Overbrook Choir*

David Ashley White  
(b. 1944)

❖ 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. 662

RATISBON

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

## SENDING FORTH

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ CHORAL RESPONSE

God is love

George Thalben-Ball  
(1896-1987)

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

POSTLUDE

Postlude in F

Alexandre Guilmant  
(1837-1911)



## ☞ This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church ☞

Sunday, January 20	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour
	12:00 p.m.	Christian Education (Chapel)
Monday, January 21	9:00 a.m.	MLK Day of Service
Wednesday, January 23	10:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Study
Sunday, January 27	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.	M&O (Chapel)

The cover artwork is part of the tile reredos behind the high altar at the abbey of Keur Moussa, near Dakar, Senegal. Incorporating iconographic features of Western European art but depicting Biblical characters as Senegalese, this piece, which represents the Life of Mary, was created in 1963 by Father Georges Saget, a monk from the French abbey of Solesmes who helped found this monastery. The monks engage primarily in agricultural work, but they also have produced several recordings of their liturgical music, which blends Gregorian chant with West African rhythms and instruments; one such instrument, the kora, is an African lute-harp, taught to the first monks at Keur Moussa by nomadic musicians and storytellers.

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

### Wednesday, January, 23

Adult Bible Study, 10:00 a.m. – “We are turning the halfway point in our study of the Doctrines of Election and Predestination. You are welcome to join! Email Pastor Raymond at [pastor@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:pastor@overbrookpresb.org) for a copy of the 16-page booklet.

### Sunday January. 27

Christian Education (Ages 3-103)-9:15 a.m. – Adults are welcome to participate in the conclusion of the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 7). We will also be deciding what we want to study through (and including) March 3. 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 ☞

### Monday, January 21

Martin Luther King, Jr., Day – Overbrook is a registered Philadelphia MLK Day of Service site, and all are welcome to participate. Please join us at 9:00 a.m. on Monday as we work together to serve our broader community. There will be service opportunities for all ages. We request that preschool and elementary students be accompanied by an adult. To volunteer to serve, please visit the OPC website or sign up in the Wistar Morris Room following worship.

### Sunday, January 27

You are welcome to participate in Christian Education (Ages 3-103) at 9:15 a.m. Readings will be Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 and Luke 4:14-21. Your Sermon will be “Say Hello to My Little Friend”

### Tuesday, January 29

OPC members and friends will be cooking and serving dinner for the clients of the Life Center of Eastern Delaware County on Tuesday, January 29. Please contact Nancy Gilhool if you would like to help shop or cook, or Janet Bowker if you would like to help serve. The minimum age for serving is 11 years old.

### Saturday, February 2

Hootenanny for Hunger, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Congregational square dance and chili supper with activities for all ages. You can purchase tickets at Coffee Hour on Sundays. The cost is \$15 for an individual/\$40 for a family. If you would like to cook for dinner, please sign up online on our website, [www.overbrookpresb.org](http://www.overbrookpresb.org), or during Coffee Hour on Sundays. For any questions about cooking please contact Carol Rozmiarek, [carol@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:carol@overbrookpresb.org). All proceeds from this event will benefit *Feed My Starving Children*. Come join the fun!

## ☞ General Announcements ☞

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!

PNC Committee Process Update: The Overbrook Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) continues its work. We have heard neutral-pulpit sermons from Presbytery-endorsed pastors. We will reconvene soon as a group to discuss impressions and next steps. Another update to the congregation will be given during worship service on January 27. Please pray for us as we continue our charge of evaluating and proposing a pastoral candidate who we believe will faithfully serve the needs of our church family.

## Sermon Notes

### Prayer List

- ◆ Pat Dillon had successful hip-replacement surgery. Everything went well, and both feet are still pointing in the same direction (from husband Ted). She was in recovery for about three hours. She is now home recovering.
- ◆ Eric Long's father, Bill Long, had cancer recurrence and is having surgery on Monday, January 21.
- ◆ Judy Kelly Johnson, Danielle Long's mother, is having a partial hip replacement.
- ◆ Becky Lazo's mother is undergoing some bloodwork and recovering from a cold.
- ◆ Lynda Johnson is scheduled for ambulatory surgery on January 25, and February 4.
- ◆ Gwen Harden continues to recover from gallstone surgery.
- ◆ Ernestine Harris, mother-in-law of Lynn Pompa, has successfully undergone several cardiac procedures, and we pray for a quick recovery.
- ◆ Dick Williamson is undergoing medical testing.
- ◆ Terri Carter is home recovering from hip replacement surgery.
- ◆ Wayne Gage, Chris Gage's father, is recovering from a heart procedure.
- ◆ 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.*

OVERBROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY OF SERVICE,  
January 21, 2019 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Welcome to a morning of service, contemplation, discussion, and inspired collaborative efforts. On Monday, as a registered Greater Philadelphia MLK Day site, Overbrook will welcome at approximately 100 members of the broader community. In the spirit of Dr. King, Overbrook extends a warm welcome to all who come to serve. Our collective hands will be doing God's work. Some of the planned "service stations" may require only 30 minutes of volunteer time, while others will call for an extended period of personal service. Please know that while all gifts of time are welcomed, the extent of personal engagement will be unique to each individual and to the area of need.

If you have not already done so, please consider signing up to serve in one of the following ways:

- Set-up: Sunday night 10:00 PM/Monday morning 7:00 PM
- Dedication of the Peace Pole 9:00 AM Monday, at the corner of Lancaster and City Avenues
- Greet and Guide: Join a rotational shift of greeters who will direct participants to "service stations"
- Soup-making/Cornbread baking for Aid for Friends
- Breakfast bag assembly for the elderly
- Care Kit Assembly for Displaced Women and Children
- Labelling tee-shirts for the *Memorial to Lives Lost through Gun Violence*
- Service Room Project: demolition and restoration
- Baby Blanket making for teen families; baby care kit assembly
- OPC Youth Room painting and floor care
- Seasonal placemats and cards for residents of Simpson House
- Greeting Cards for shut-ins
- Gratitude Cards for US Military and First Responders
- Craft Kit Assembly for displaced children
- Sorting, shelving, organizing the basement
- Community conversations: Explore your dream for the greater good; reserve a room for community conversation
- Dedication of Tee-Shirt Memorial 11:15 AM

**In the event a weather emergency requires program adjustment or cancellation, information updates will be posted on the church website, conveyed through listserve messages, and posted on Facebook.**

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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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