
Overbrook Presbyterian Church



John 1:43-51

Serena Hunter

Worship Service
2nd Sunday after Epiphany
January 14, 2018
10:30 a.m.

*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

Cromorne and Dialogue from *Mass for the Convents* François Couperin

INTROIT

O send out thy light George Thalben-Ball

❖CALL TO WORSHIP-

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song;

People: **sing to the Lord, all the earth**

Leader: The Lord is about to do a new thing.

People: **Speak, O God, for your servants are listening.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

❖HYMN No. 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty LOBE DEN HERREN

GREETING

Pastor Bruce Gillette

PRAYER OF CONFESSION- (UNISON)

God our Creator, we confess that we are broken, sinful creatures. You speak to us with tender mercy, yet we fail to recognize your voice. You know everything about us, yet we pretend we do not know you. Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to heed your voice of truth, to follow your way of faithfulness, and to glorify you with our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖HYMN No. 581

Glory Be to the Father GLORIA PATRI

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18

*Please join in singing the refrain at the beginning of the psalm
and where indicated by the symbol \mathring{R} .*

refrain

Lord, you have searched me out and known me.

Verses (sung by the choir):

1. Lord, you have searched me out;
O Lord, you have known me.
2. You know my sitting and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
3. You trace my journeys and my resting places
and are acquainted with all my ways.
4. Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
5. You press upon me behind and before
and lay your hand upon me.
6. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain to it. \mathring{R}
13. For you yourself created me inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
14. I will thank you because I am marvelously made;
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
15. My body was not hidden from you,
while I was being made in secret and woven
in the depths of the earth.
16. Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book;
they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them. \mathring{R}
17. How deep I find your thoughts, O God!
how great is the sum of them.
18. If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours. \mathring{R}

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Pastor Carolyn Gillette

*(Following Time with Children, students in Pre-K through
Grade 2 will depart for Sunday School.)*

GOSPEL LESSON

John 1:43-51
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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Come and See”

Pastor Bruce Gillette

*(Following the Sermon, students in Grades 3 through 6 and High School will depart for
Sunday School. Grades 7-8 Confirmation students are asked to stay in worship.)*

❖HYMN No. 69

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky HERE I AM (Schutte)

❖AFFIRMATION OF FAITH- *The Confession of 1967 (Inclusive Language
Version), 9.40, and Mission Statement of Overbrook Presbyterian Church*

We believe the church orders its life as an institution
with a constitution, government, officers, finances,
and administrative rules.

These are instruments of mission,
not ends in themselves.

Different orders have served the gospel,
and none can claim exclusive validity.

A presbyterian polity recognizes
the responsibility of all members for ministry
and maintains the organic relation
of all congregations in the church.

It seeks to protect the church from exploitation
by ecclesiastical or secular power and ambition.

Every church order must be open to such reformation
as may be required to make it a more effective instrument
of the mission of reconciliation.

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

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Questions of Ordination

The Prayer of Ordination and the Laying on of Hands

The Welcome to Ministry

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Pastor Carolyn Gillette

MINUTE FOR MISSION-*Bryan Miller, Executive Director of Heeding God's Call*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER-*Debts/Debtors*

Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*

SHARING OF PEACE (*"The Peace of Christ Be With You", "And Also With You"*)

OFFERING

Rejoice, ye children of the light Samuel T. Lewis
The Overbrook Choir

❖ DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 607

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

❖ HYMN No. 450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

SENDING FORTH

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ CHORAL RESPONSE

O God, who has called us

Eleanor Daley

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

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

David Cherwien

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. Our pastors would welcome talking with you after today's worship service or in the future.

Leading Worship Today:

The Revs. Bruce and Carolyn Gillette - Co-Pastors
Lay Leader: Amanda Duckworth, Acolyte: Tarah Paul
The Overbrook Choir
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music

Today's bulletin cover is drawn by Serena Hunter.

The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God by Kate Shackelford and Charles Brown in memory of Eleanor R. Sloan

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

Deacons Delivering Flowers:
Artia Benjamin and Davorka Sabljak

Following worship today - please join us for refreshments in the Wistar Morris Room. If you would like to host an upcoming coffee hour, please sign up now on the sign-up board in the Wistar-Morris Room. Contact Amarilis Stricker at 484-343-0679 with questions.

This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church

Sunday, Jan. 14 th	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour
	12:00 p.m.	Deacons-Chapel
Monday, Jan. 15 th	9:00 a.m.	MLK Day of Service
Tuesday, Jan. 16 th	7:00 p.m.	Urban Suburban Book Club
Wed., Jan. 17 th	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study-Chapel
Sunday, Jan. 21 st	9:15 a.m.	Adult Forum
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour

Today, during worship we will be ordaining and installing the following member to serve our congregation as Elders or Deacons for the next (3) years:

- ◆ TO BE ORDAINED AND INSTALLED AS ELDERS:
Kevin Davis, Becky Lazo
- ◆ TO BE INSTALLED AS ELDERS:
Rachel Carnahan, Will Schick, Karen Wong
- ◆ TO BE ORDAINED AND INSTALLED AS DEACONS:
Adepeju Adebajo, Alan Sigler, Jill Van Rawley
- ◆ TO BE INSTALLED AS DEACONS:
Brad Biedermann, Sabrina Johnson



☞ Middle School and High School Youth Groups will meet today at 5 p.m. for pizza and to help set up for MLK day the next day

☞ Wednesday Bible Study- This Wednesday, Jan 17th, our Wednesday morning Bible study is at 10:30am. This week Bible study will be led by Pastor Carolyn. She will be teaching on the following Sunday's lectionary reading, Mark 1:14-20, January 21st.



✿Martin Luther King Day of Service: Please join us this Monday, January 15th for a day of service. Martin Luther King, Jr. lived his life serving God and serving others. On Monday, January 15, from 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. join us in the Fellowship Hall, Wistar Morris Room, Chapel and Kitchen as we serve God and others in honor of Dr. King.

We will begin with a litany in remembrance of Dr. King at 9:00 a.m. Then at 9:15 a.m., we will go to our service stations. There will be activities for people of all ages— from preschoolers through older adults. A simple pizza lunch will be provided. Please sign up in advance in the Wistar Morris Room contact Pastor Carolyn, so we have enough supplies, work activities, and lunch for everyone. Thank you!

We are in need of the following items for our MLK Day of Service:

Breakfast bags: YOUR DONATIONS ARE WELCOME AND NEEDED. Please consider donating: miniature cereal boxes; individually wrapped tea bags, instant coffee, or hot cocoa; individual juice cartons; boxes of raisins; packages of nuts; snack packages of cheese or peanut butter crackers; oatmeal packets; pudding or fruit cups; cereal bars; granola bars. (Please DO NOT include fresh fruit, Pop tarts, muffins, chips, TastyKakes or junk food.) Please bring donations any time this week through Monday morning (the day of the event). Thank you!

Health Kits: YOUR DONATIONS ARE WELCOME FOR THIS PROJECT. The Dollar Store is a great place to get supplies for this. Items needed for the health kits include: new individually wrapped bars of soap, bottles of shampoo, hand lotion, individually wrapped toothbrushes, tubes of toothpaste, and bottles of body wash. Please bring donations any time this week through Monday morning (the day of the event).

Questions? Please contact Pastor Carolyn Gillette at carolyn@overbrookpresb.org or 302-528-1797.



✿Committee Reports for the Annual Meeting- Just a reminder to all committee chairs that committee reports for the annual congregation meeting are due into the office by January 18th.

✿Calling All Artists of all Ages-We welcome member's artwork for the front cover of the Sunday Worship Bulletin. If you or a child is interested in drawing or sketching a picture please contact Pastor Bruce or Carolyn.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Can you imagine enjoying dinner out and at the same time providing a meal for a hungry child at no extra cost?! This year, the Overbrook Presbyterian Church community can enjoy a weekly meal out and contribute to one of the Church's most vital ministries – Feed My Starving Children This Month's "We Care Wednesday" is **January 24th 2018** at the Panera Bread in Wynnewood Shopping Center on Lancaster Pike. Please join us. See you at Panera Wynnewood. Bring your family, friends and neighbors. See Kristan Davis, Becky Lazo, Janet Bowker or Deb Rottinger for a We Care Wednesday form to be sure your meal is credited to OPC.



Mark Your Calendar: OPC Youth Mission Trip 2018 - We have dates and a location for next summer's youth mission trip! Trip Dates are Saturday, August 4 - Saturday, August 11, 2018. OPC youth and leaders will be working with West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy and Workcamps, Inc. Cost is TBD but will be in the general range of last year's trip. Please contact Pastor Carolyn at 302-528-1797 for more information.

Community Events:

◆**FREE concert at the African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas (6361 Lancaster Avenue) on Monday, January 15, 2015 at 2:30 p.m.** Opera Philadelphia presents "What is Your Life's Blueprint?", a program by Teen Voices of the City Ensemble (T-VOCE) examining Philadelphia's important and pivotal role in the American Civil Rights movement. The event will celebrate the achievements of civil rights pioneers through their words, in music, and with original students works. Joining T-VOCE on this event will be the Northeast High School Choir and the Singing City Children's Choir. Musical selections include traditional spirituals, songs from the civil rights movement, and popular songs City Children's Choir. Musical selections include traditional spirituals, songs from the civil rights movement, and popular songs.

◆**Monday, January 20, 2018** the Northwest Regional Leadership Team of Philadelphia Presbytery is hosting an event "Coming to the Table" at the Church on the Mall, 500 W. Germantown Pike, from 9:00am-3:00pm. Cost is \$10 per person including lunch. This event is led by Rusty Vaughan and Jane Carrigan of Coming to the Table, an organization that provides leadership and resources for all who wish to acknowledge and heal wounds from racism. Learn about starting conversations in your congregation or community. www.comingtothetable.org. Reservations at 215-242-1400, x 329. Contact Pastor Bruce or Carolyn for carpooling.

Constitutional Questions for Elders and Deacons

- a. Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?
- b. Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you?
- c. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?
- d. Will you fulfill your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?
- e. Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?
- f. Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?
- g. Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?
- h. Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?
- i. Will you be a faithful ruling elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in councils of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?
- j. Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

Constitutional Questions to the Congregation

(1) Do we, the members of the church, accept Rachel Carnahan, Karen Wong, Kevin Davis and Becky Lazo, as ruling elders and Sabrina Johnson, Peju Adebajo, Alan Sigler, and Jill Van Rawley as deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

(2) 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?

Prayer List

- ◆ Sharon Parker during her service in Myanmar
- ◆ The newly ordained elders and deacons
- ◆ Lynda Johnson recovering from knee surgery
- ◆ Thom D'Antonio recovering from a heart procedures
- ◆ Emily Amerman and Jim Vagnoni's son, Will, going through transitions
- ◆ Peter Seidel, having back issues
- ◆ Andrea Gosfield, recovering from a car accident
- ◆ Ellen Burr ongoing health issues
- ◆ Gloria Justin, still recovering at home

Please contact Pastors Bruce or Carolyn to add names or concerns to this list. Bruce and Carolyn can be reached by email, cell phone, or by leaving a message in the Church Office, or by speaking with one of them in person.

☛Please Remember to Sign the Prayer Cards: These cards are located on the raised table in the Wistar Morris Room. We ask all church members and friends to please sign these cards before or after worship each Sunday. "You were remembered this Sunday in the prayers of the people of the Overbrook Church in Philadelphia" is the message found on prayer cards. Please contact our pastors or church office if you would like us to send a prayer card to someone.

☛Pastoral Care & Feedback Welcome: We are grateful to people who let us know about pastoral needs in our church and community. We welcome visiting people in their homes, at work, in the hospital and at the church. We welcome the opportunity to bring home communion to anyone who would like to receive the sacrament. Please contact us by email: pastors@overbrookpresb.org, bruce@overbrookpresb.org or carolyn@overbrookpresb.org or call us (Office: 215-877-2744 or Bruce's Cell: 302-528-1796 or Carolyn's Cell: 302-528-1797) if you, or someone you know, would like a visit from an Overbrook pastor. Your ideas, feedback and prayers help us all serve better together. Please see our contact information above so we can have a conversation with you. Thank you. Pastors Bruce & Carolyn Gillette.

OPC Session Members/Committee Members:

Sara Davis, *Clerk of Session*, *Pastors Bruce & Carolyn Gillette*, *Moderators*

Jeff Bowker, *Co-Chair-Property*, Rachel Carnahan, *Chair-Worship/Music*, Edelene Carroll, *Chair-Personnel*, Raelyn Harman, *Chair-Congregational Life*, Ron Homer, *Chair-New Members*, Anil “Bob” Kothari, *Chair-Finance*, Deborah Rottinger, Jane Rozmiarek, Kate Shackelford-*Treasurer*, Aimerie Scherluebbe, *Chair, Mission & Outreach*, Will Schick, *Chair-Stewardship*, Jason Sheau, *Chair-Christian Education*, Sean Whalen, *President, Board of Trustees*, Eileen Wiggins, and Karen Wong.

OPC Deacons:

Mike Rottinger, *Moderator-Board of Deacons*

Artia Benjamin, Brad Biedermann, Suchita Fiorillo, Angie Goodall, Terri Hunter, Sabrina Johnson, Larry McGhee , Stephanie Morris, Elienne Paul, Mike Rottinger, Davora Sabljak, Nickie Stokes, Nicole Stokes-Robinson, Carol Tulba, and Ellen Valudes.

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The Overbrook Quartet

Iris Fairfax, *soprano*; Lois Randel, *mezzo-soprano*;

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