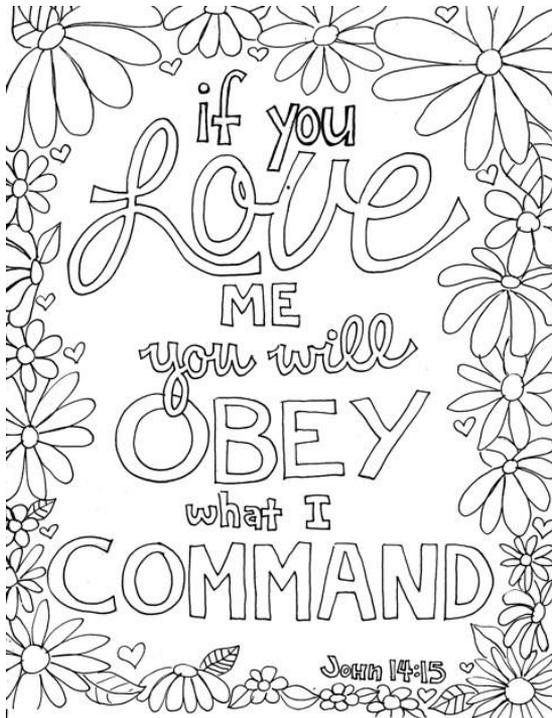

Overbrook Presbyterian Church



Worship Service
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Communion Sunday
May 6, 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

Christ lag in Todesbanden

Georg Böhm

INTROIT

O sing to the Lord a new song

Eleanor Daley

❖CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place for all generations.

People: **You have created the world and all that is in it.**

Leader: We celebrate your never-failing love which you showered upon our ancestors, that you give us, and will continue to give to generations yet to come.

People: **We give thanks for your promises to hear and be with us, as you have always done.**

❖HYMN No. 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

GREETING

Pastor Carolyn Gillette

PRAYER OF CONFESSION- (UNISON)

God, forgive us. Our communion is not always visible to the world. Sometimes we allow threats to unity to enter the church, making it hard to see that we are your community. We act as though we do not need each other. We do not always love one another. We do not know and bear one another's burdens. We fail to build each other up. We do not always give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another. Forgive us, and strengthen us so that we may live in the unity that you grant us. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Acts 10:44-48

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PSALM 98

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

Erik Routley 1972, alt.

Louis Bourgeois, 1543; rev. 1551



New songs of ce - le - bra - tion ren - der to God who has great won - ders done;



love sits en - throned in age - less splen - dor; come and a - dore the migh - ty One.

Verses (sung by the choir):

1. Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things.
2. With his right hand and his holy arm,
has he won for himself the victory
3. The lord has made known his victory;
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations. \mathring{R}
4. He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
5. Shout with you to the Lord, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
6. Sing to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.
7. With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the King, our Lord. \mathring{R}
8. Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it,
the lands and those who dwell therein.

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9. Let the rivers clap their hands,
and the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to
judge the earth.
10. In righteousness shall he judge the world
and the peoples with equity. *℟*

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Pastor Bruce Gillette

*(All Children are welcomed to remain in worship for Communion,
should parents so wish; children in Pre-K through Grade 2
may gather in the nursery following Time with Children.)*

GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:9-17

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“When Life is a Beatles Song”

Pastor Carolyn Gillette

❖ HYMN No. 526

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

LINSTEAD

❖ 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

Pastor Bruce Gillette

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Jason Duckworth

Becky Lazo

Member of Stewardship Committee

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

Easter Anthem

William Billings

arr. Robert Shaw

The Overbrook Choir

❖ 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...

SANCTUS: HYMN No. 562 (sung by all)

Schubert

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

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Communion will be received in the pews today. 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 hold your bread till all are served so that all may partake together. And then 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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of grace,

you renew us at your table with the bread of life.

May this food strengthen us in love

and help us to serve you in each other.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen

❖HYMN No. 300

We Are One in the Spirit

THEY'LL KNOW...CHRISTIANS

SENDING FORTH

❖BENEDICTION

❖CHORAL RESPONSE

This is my commandment

G. T. Thalben-Ball

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

POSTLUDE

Christ lag in Todesbanden

J. S. Bach

Welcome to Overbrook Presbyterian Church

We are glad you are worshipping 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: Becky Lazo, Acolyte: Aria Fiorillo

The Overbrook Choir

Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music

The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God

by Ellen Burr in memory of her parents, Harriette and Reuel Burr.

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.

Communion Servers:

Sabrina Johnson, Larry McGhee, Deb Rottinger, Davorka Sabljak, Caroline Skinner, Jason Sheau, Carol Tulba and Sean Whalen

Ushers:

Max Mason, Noble Brigham, Ken Carroll, John Mason, Mary Scott, Jason Sheau, Alan Sigler, Nickie Stokes and Adepeju Adebajo

Opener/Closer

Kaercher

Deacons Delivering Flowers:

Terri Hunter and Sabrina Johnson

Following worship today - please join us for refreshments in the Wistar Morris Room. We would like to thank The Whalen Family for today's coffee hour. 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, May 6	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour
	12:00 p.m.	Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Luncheon-Williamson Rm.
	2:00 p.m.	Richard Elliott Organ Recital
	4:00 p.m.	Welcome Church
Monday, May 7	7:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry-Williamson Rm
Tuesday, May 8	7:00 p.m.	Session-Chapel
Wednesday, May 9	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study-Chapel
Thursday, May 10	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship-Karen Wong's Home
Saturday, May 12	9:30 a.m.	Prayer Breakfast
Sunday, May 13	9:15 a.m.	Adult Forum
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour

☞ Today at 2:00 p.m. is the Inaugural Concert of the Dennis Elwell Organ Recital Series Come hear the sounds of Richard Elliott, Principal Organist of the Mormon Tabernacle in Salt Lake City. Suggested donation: \$20 per person.

☞ Today is Main Line Gun Violence Awareness Day: "The Souls: Portraits of Victims of Gun Violence," including a powerful portrait of James Walke III (son of Yullia and Leonard Robbins) will be at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, May 6, 5:30 p.m. Read more about the painting, "That Smile" <https://www.soulshotportraitproject.org/#/weite/>.

☞ An Overbrook prayer shawl ministry has now been formed and the first meeting will be this Monday, May 7 at 7:00 pm in the Williamson Rm. This ministry is to provide comforting gifts from the church to those for whom we are praying. Anyone who now has handwork skills such as knitting, crocheting, weaving or quilting OR anyone who wishes to learn these skills is invited to join the group. For more information please contact Mary Lou Ryce at 410-370-4211 or Marylou.ryce@gmail.com

☞ Bible Study: This week's Bible study will be at 10:30am and will be led by Pastor Bruce. He will be teaching on John 17:6-19, the reading for next Sunday, May 13.

☞ Please save the date: Saturday, May 12, 9:30-11:00 a.m. will be the Spring Prayer Breakfast! In addition to the fine breakfast, fellowship, and shared devotions, a plant sale will bring an added touch of spring. There is no charge for breakfast, a free will offering basket will be available. Proceeds will go to the Presbyterian Church of Myanmar in support of vocational ministry for women. Please sign up in the Wistar Morris Room following worship...all are welcome!



Come join us Next Sunday, May 13 at 9:15 a.m. for Adult Forum. We will be continuing our six-session small group Bible study which captures live and unscripted conversations

between Tim Keller and a group of people to address their doubts and objections to Christianity. LaToya Richie will be the discussion leader for this series. The next session in the series is titled: *How Can You Say There Is Only One Way to God?/What About Other Religions?*



The warm weather has finally arrived. What better way to celebrate than with fun, fellowship and ICE CREAM!

Come one and all to the
OVERBROOK ICE CREAM SOCIAL
Friday, May 18, 6:30-8:30 pm.

Tickets are \$5/person or \$20 for family of four or more.

Proceeds support this summer's youth mission trip to West Virginia. Tickets will be on sale during Coffee Hour on May 6 and May 13 and at the door. If you cannot make it but would like to support the cause, please see a friend on the Stewardship Committee: Keedra Carroll, Davorka Sabljak, Will Schick, Jason Sheau, Amarilis Stricker or Karen Wong

☞ Sharon E. Parker Overseas Service Scholarship This scholarship will provide a single annual scholarship of \$2,500 to \$5,000 to an individual to provide seed money for a minimum one-month long Christian public service project in a needy part of the world.



☞ "OPC Photo Directory Please schedule your appointment TODAY! Either stop by the table in the Wistar Morris Room or follow links on the church web site (www.overbrookpresb.org).

Time slots are almost filled and we aren't able to add days until the current ones (June 4, 5, 8, 9) are booked. Remember our goal is 100% participation, every person who is in the photo directory gets a free 8x10 photo and free directory. See Raelyn or Artia if you have any questions or scheduling conflicts. Thank you.



Tickets now available for the OPC Women's Retreat, Saturday, June 2, 2018-8:30 AM to 4:00 PM. The 2nd OPC Women's Retreat will be on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at the IHM Conference Center in Bryn Mawr. This year's theme will be "Finding Joy"

based on the Letter to the Philippians, and our leader will be Pastor Carolyn Gillette. Join us for large and small group discussion, faith activities, time for personal reflection, and of course, fellowship. Cost for the day is \$40 per person which includes breakfast & lunch. Scholarships are available. Please contact Artia Benjamin, Becky Lazo or Sabrina Johnson for more information.

Session Communication Committee – Reminder The Communication Committee (Karen Wong, Sean Whalen, Jane Rozmiarek, Raelyn Harman and Rev. Bruce Gillette) appreciate the in-person and written feedback we have received thus far. The Session would like to hear from as many people as possible. It's been a year of change and transitions and we want to make informed decisions about what you would like to see more of, less of, need clarification about, suggested new ideas, etc. You can speak to any one of the committee in-person, by email, by phone or by submitting written comments in the box on the table outside the church office. Thank you.

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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 a monetary donation of your choice. The following dates are available: **June 24, July 1, 8 and 15.**



Coffee Hour Hosts are needed for the following Sundays: May 27; June 10, 17 and 24. Instructions for this easily accomplished, highly valued ministry are available on the OPC web site and in the church kitchen (on the microwave). For more information please contact Amarilis Stricker at 484-343-0679 or Raelyn Harman at 610-331-8972. Thank you.

Prayer List

- ◆ Catherine Scott, daughter of Buck and Mary Scott recovering from a car accident
- ◆ Luis Wong who is recovering from surgery for a broken hip.
- ◆ Jason Sheau and I-Mei Huang on the death of I-Mei father, Mr. Yao Huang.
- ◆ John Nathaniel is recovering from a stroke.
- ◆ DeDe Sherlock, Pat Dillon's sister, having health issues.
- ◆ Ed Harvey recovering from surgery.
- ◆ The Rev. David McMillian leg wound is improving slowly.
- ◆ Leo Miller, Vince Gilhool's nephew, receiving cancer treatment
- ◆ Ken Carroll is undergoing radiation treatment
- ◆ Thomas James, father of Savannah England (formerly Anna Lemley) is battling lung cancer.
- ◆ Charlotte Carpenter recently diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis
- ◆ Lynda Johnson having health concerns
- ◆ Ellen Burr ongoing health issues

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.

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The Overbrook Quartet

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

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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.***

Your ideas Wanted for Upcoming Sermons and Hymns

This summer we are planning a sermon series based on suggestions from Overbrook Church members. We would like to know if there is a biblical story or passage that you would appreciate hearing a sermon about sometime in the coming Sundays. We also would be happy to consider suggestions for sermons on specific topics. We would also appreciate hearing what your favorite hymns are.

Please give the completed form to us in the offering plate, hand it to us after the service, or give it to us later. **Thank you.**

Grace and Peace,
Pastors Bruce and Carolyn Gillette

Sermon Ideas:

Favorite Hymns:

Signature _____ (so we can talk to you to clarify sermon ideas and also let you know when the sermon topics and hymns are going to be used):

*Inaugural Concert of the Dennis Ehwell Organ Recital
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SUNDAY, MAY

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2:00 P.M.

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\$20 suggested donation