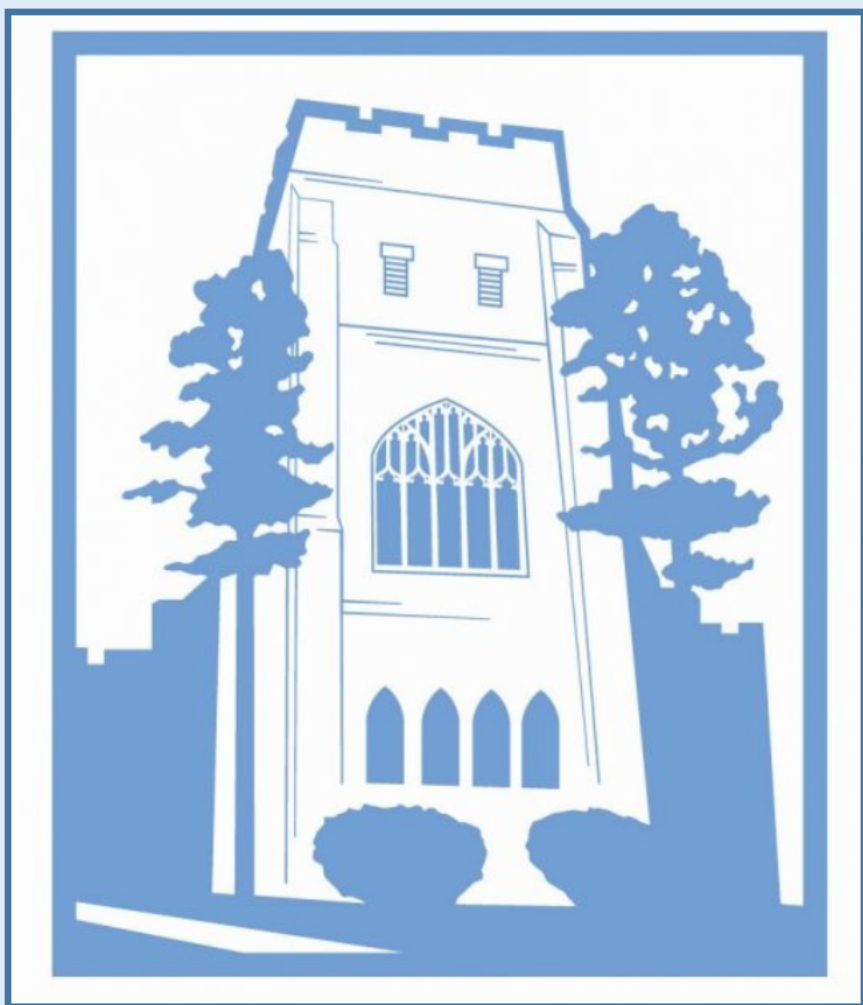


Overbrook  
Presbyterian Church



The Fifth Sunday in Eastertide  
Sunday, May 14, 2017  
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.*

## GATHERING IN

PRELUDES: O God, Thou Faithful God (O GOTT, DU FROMMER GOTT) Johannes Brahms  
Remembering Johannes Brahms Birthday, May 7, 1833  
O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee Vernon Taranto, Jr.  
Elizabeth Mendoza, Violoncellist

INTROIT: The Lord Is Our Strength Donald Cashmore

### ❖CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: Welcome to the shelter of God's love.

MANY: In you, O God, we seek refuge.

ONE: God is a rock of refuge, a safe haven for us. Do not let your hearts be troubled. We are precious in God's sight.

MANY: God is faithful and we can trust in God's steadfast love.

ALL: Let us worship God!

HYMN No. 624 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art TOULON

❖GREETING *Pastor Bruce Gillette*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God in your loving kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

### SILENT CONFESSION

### PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL

ALLELUIA-HYMN No. 586

ALLELUIA 7

# HEARING THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT READING    1Peter2:2-10    Page 222/Pew Bible  
The Word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM    **Let Our Gladness Have No End**    Patricia Hurlbutt  
*The Overbrook Westminster Handbell Choir*

Lois Babbitt	Cindy Gray	Sarah Stephens
Danielle Delgado	Kim Parris	Deja Stokes
Nancy Gilhool	Jason Sheau	Jeff Swartz
Vince Gilhool	Trudy Sheau	Geneva Van Rawley
Jill Van Rawley		

Additional Substitute Ringers

Steven Gilhool    Christine Stevens    Valerie Swartz    Sophia Seidel

TIME WITH CHILDREN    *Pastor Carolyn Gillette*  
(Following Time With Children, students in Pre-K through Grade 2 will depart for Sunday School)

GOSPEL READING    John 14:1-14    Page 102/Pew Bible  
The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

SERMON    “In My Father’s House”    *Pastor Bruce Gillette*

❖HYMN No. 410    **How Lovely, Lord**    MERLE’S TUNE  
(During the Sermon Hymn, students in Grades 3-12 will depart for Sunday School)

❖AFFIRMATION OF FAITH-*Apostles’ Creed*    Page 35  
*Glory to God Hymnal*

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS  
*- Minute for Mission*

*Pastors Bruce and Carolyn Gillette  
Amarilis and Paul Stricker*

LITANY FOR FAMILIES-*see insert*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER-*debts/debtors*

Page 35  
*Glory to God Hymnal*

EXCHANGE OF PEACE

OFFERING

**How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place**

Johannes Brahms

OFFERTORY

(A German Requiem)

*The Overbrook Choir*

How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts,  
For my soul, it longeth, yea fainteth, it longeth,  
and fainteth for the courts of the Lord;  
My soul and body crieth out, yea for the living God,  
Blest are they, O blest are they that dwell within Thy house;  
They praise thy name forever more, they praise thee forever more!

❖ DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 607

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## SENDING FORTH

❖ HYMN NO. -*See Insert*

**Go Walk With God**

O WALY WALY

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ CHORAL RESPONSE

Two-Fold Amen

Anonymous

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

POSTLUDE: Postlude on "TOULON" (Hymn #624)

H. Alexander Matthews

# 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 Revs. Bruce and Carolyn Gillette - Co-Pastors  
Lay Leader: Jill VanRawley, Acolyte: Maya Stricker  
The Overbrook Westminster Handbell Choir  
The Overbrook Choir  
Elizabeth Mendoza, Violoncellist  
Minister of Music: Dennis Elwell

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

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

## 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, Kevin Trindade, and Kevin Davis.

## Deacons Delivering Flowers:

Suchita Fiorillo and Stephanie Morris

❖ Stand as you are able.

Following worship today - please join us for Coffee Hour in the Wistar Morris Room. We would like to the men of OPC, with a special shout out to Jeff Bowker 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.



## OVERBROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Jason Sheau, Chair - *Christian Education*  
Raelyn Harman, Chair - *Congregational Life*  
Anil "Bob" Kothari, Chair - *Finance*  
Aimerie Scherluebbe, Chair - *Mission & Outreach*  
Ron Homer, Chair - *New Members*  
Edelene Carroll, Chair - *Personnel*  
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Will Schick, Chair - *Stewardship*  
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Dennis Elwell - *Minister of Music*

Margene Biedermann - *Jr. Choir Director*

Earlene Ford - *Financial Secretary*

Lisa Faso - *Office Manager*

Leonard Robbins - *Church Custodian*

Every Church Member - *Minister*

#### **The Overbrook Quartet**

Iris Fairfax - *Soprano*

Lois Randel - *Mezzo-Soprano*

Toffer Mihalka - *Tenor*

Matthew Lulofs - *Bass*

## This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 14	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour
	12:00 p.m.	Deacons Meeting-Chapel
Wednesday, May 10	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study
Sunday, May 21	9:15 a.m.	Adult Forum-Chapel
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour
	12:00 p.m.	Mission/Outreach

☞ **Wednesday Morning Bible Study.** Bible Study will continue this week led by Pastor Carolyn Gillette. She will be teaching on the following Sunday's gospel lectionary reading, John 14:15-21

☞ **Adult Forum.** Please join us each Sunday in the Chapel at 9:15-10:15 am for Adult Forum. Engaging faith based discussion and hot coffee promised for all. "Presbyterians and the Lord's Supper" is today's discussion topic led by Pastor Bruce Gillette. May 14's topic will be "Faith and Families" led by Pastor Carolyn Gillette who has co-authored two resources for parents and families published by the Presbyterian Church (USA) and Active Parenting.



**PRESBYTERY of PHILADELPHIA**  
*Together bearing witness in Philadelphia, Montgomery, Delaware & Bucks Counties*

☞ **Our Philadelphia Presbytery will next gather on May 16, 2017 at the United Ghanaian Community Church**  
 The next Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Philadelphia will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 from 2:00 - 8:00 pm. at the United Ghanaian Church in Wyncote. Please contact Pastors Bruce & Carolyn Gillette if you would like a ride to the Presbytery meeting.

☞ **Farmer's Market.** It's back and ready to begin on Saturday, May 20 from 9 am-1 pm in the parking lot here at OPC.

**About the Market:** Established in 2008, this market is located at the Overbrook Presbyterian Church, and has a loyal following of residents in the neighborhood who make this market a regular part of their Saturday mornings.

**Look for:**

**Forest View Bakery** - 72 miles to market from Lancaster, PA  
*(Breads, sticky buns, moon pies, jams, jellies, relishes and more)*

**Walnut Springs Farm** - 112 miles to market from East Berlin, PA  
*(Early berries and asparagus, in season sweet corn, peaches and more)*

**Homestead Gardens** - 68 miles to market from Ephrata, PA  
*(Seasonal fresh vegetables)*





☞ **Share a Sundae Sunday.** Bring a friend on May 21 to worship and then stay after for ice-cream sundaes. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet new friends and re-connect with the old ones. There will be sugar and lactose free options available for those with dietary restrictions.

☞ **May 21 is Levite Sunday.** The ancient tribe of Levi took care of the Jewish Temple. Overbrook Presbyterians and friends are invited to wear “levis” or other work clothes to church on May 21. After worship and enjoying a sundae, volunteers will help take of our church building (inside and out) and church grounds. Check the poster of possible jobs and also for it online. Volunteers of all ages are welcome for this time of fellowship and service.



☞ **Tuesday, May 30** -Nancy Gilhool wants to alert you that is the next day that we prepare and serve a meal to the clients at the Life Center of Eastern Delaware County. We cook about 200 servings of a healthy entrée and surround that with bread, vegetables, salad and dessert. Cooking is done at church during the day, and serving begins at the shelter around 6:45 pm. We love those who faithfully help each time we cook and serve, but we would love to see some new faces, too. Please contact Nancy at [gilhoolfam@verizon.net](mailto:gilhoolfam@verizon.net) to ask questions and volunteer. Many thanks.



**Installation Service for Pastors Bruce & Carolyn Gillette is May 28:** Please mark your calendars now to plan to attend our Philadelphia Presbytery’s special worship on May 28, 4:00 pm, at Overbrook Presbyterian Church to install Bruce and Carolyn Gillette as our co-pastors. The Rev. Dr. Charles “Buz” Myers will be the guest preacher. Dr. Myers is a Presbyterian minister and a professor of religious studies at Gettysburg College where he has been award the top teaching prizes by the students and faculty. He is the author of a bestselling book on Mark’s Gospel for lay people, a very popular teacher and preacher in churches and conferences on weekends as well as leading a weekly Bible study in a state prison. The Overbrook Choir and Dennis Elwell will provide special music for this service. A reception will follow the service.

**Prayer List**

- ◆Phil Amerman, Emily Amerman’s brother, and Emily and her two siblings
- ◆Katie and Chris Ziemba and big brother Jack on the birth of their son Lucas Owen Ziemba.
- ◆The Biedermann Family on the death of Margene’s mother, Margaret Ingram
- ◆Lynn Pompa and his family on Lynn’s recent diagnosis with Parkinson disease
- ◆Pastor Carolyn’s mother, Jane Winfrey
- ◆Aimerie Scherluebbe and her family on Aimerie’s recent diagnosis of Hashimoto’s thyroiditis

*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.*



**Pastoral Care:** We are grateful to people who let us know about pastoral needs in our church and community. Please contact us by email or by phone: [pastors@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:pastors@overbrookpresb.org), [bruce@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:bruce@overbrookpresb.org) or [carolyn@overbrookpresb.org](mailto: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. 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.

Thank you. Pastors Bruce & Carolyn Gillette



## Litany of Thanksgiving for Families

Leader: Eternal God, God of Abraham and Sarah, God of Mary and Joseph, in your wisdom you have chosen to enter time and be a part of our everyday lives.

People: We give you heartfelt thanks for countless gifts of love, for tenderness and relationship, for concern that seeks the welfare of another.

Leader: Above all we thank you for the household of God in which we are encouraged to goodness and chastened by judgment and mercy.

People: We thank you for the family of faith in which we discover the meaning of faith for our families.

Leader: We praise you for the gift of brothers and sisters and parents in Christ who sustain us in trouble and lighten our way.

People: We thank you, O God, for marriage and those who make and keep covenants.

Leader: We thank you for those who choose to be single, or who are single apart from their choice to be so.

People: They add their gifts of caring and service to the family of faith, and teach us the finer meanings of freedom and friendship.

Leader: We acknowledge the suffering of those who must endure separation and divorce.

People: Grant that we may enter into their pain, and support them in their struggle to reshape their lives.

Leader: We thank you for all who assume the burdens and joys of parenthood, for their resourcefulness in the face of obstacles or oppression and their constancy in the face of temptations to abandon their responsibilities.

People: We thank you for the courage of those who must lead families alone. Grant that we may surround them with our love and uphold them in their difficult vocation.

Leader: We thank you for those who understand pain of families with members who are disabled, and reach out in imaginative ministry.

People: We thank you for all who care for the generation that is coming into being, and those who care for the generation whose work is nearing completion.

Leader: Bless all who care, O God.

People: And finally, we thank you for our friend and brother, Jesus Christ, who walks with us and shares his life with us in word and sacrament.

1. Go walk with God in all you do. And may God's  
 2. O may the grace of Christ our Lord, The won-drous  
 3. We thank you, Lord, for life we share In learn-ing,

love love bring joy to you. May gifts of peace fill all your  
 love that comes from God, The Spi-rit's fel-low-ship now  
 serv - ing, praise and prayer. And when we say good-bye to

days, and may God's truth guide you al-ways  
 be God's gift to you e-ter-nal-ly.  
 friends, We thank you, Lord: Love nev-er ends.

Tune: ○ *Waly Waly*, English Folk Melody.

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