
Overbrook Presbyterian Church



Worship Service
Pentecost Sunday
Confirmation Sunday
May 20, 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

Komm, Gott Schöpfer, heiliger Geist J. G. Walther
("Come, creator God, Holy Ghost")
A hymn for Pentecost by Martin Luther.

INTROIT

Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun F. H. Barthélémon
arr. Jacob B. Weber
The Overbrook Westminster Handbell Choir

❖CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: On that first Pentecost,
God Spirit transformed the lives of the disciples and
changed the world.

People: As we gather, we pray for that same Spirit to be poured
out on us. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Leader: The Holy Spirit is a fire, consuming our selfishness, our hatred,
and our indifference.

People: The Spirit makes it possible for us to talk to
one another in love.

Leader: Filled with the Holy Spirit, our lives bear fruit:

People: The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience,
kindness, goodness, faithfulness, and self-control.

All: Come, Holy Spirit!

❖HYMN No. 289

On Pentecost They Gathered

MUNICH

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.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖HYMN No. 581

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 Page 104/pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid
The Overbrook Junior Choir

Vernon Hoyle

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Pastor Bruce Gillette

(Following Time with Children, Pre K thru Second Grade children may leave for Sunday School now. Older children will leave for Sunday School during Celebrations and Concerns.)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 2:1-21

Page 111/pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Wind and Spirit”

Pastor Carolyn Gillette

❖HYMN No. 69

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM

STATEMENTS OF FAITH OF THE CONFIRMATION CLASS

❖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.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS-CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Class of 2018

<i>Emma Biedermann</i>	<i>Liam Clifford</i>
<i>Auriane Geraldo</i>	<i>Kendi Long</i>
<i>Maya Stricker</i>	<i>Everett Whalen</i>

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Pastor Bruce Gillette

(Older Children will depart now for Sunday School.)

DEACONS APPEAL

Mike Rottinger

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

Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God T. Tertius Noble
The Overbrook Choir
Iris Fairfax, soprano

Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed, unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice. And be ye kind one to another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. Amen.
—*Ephesians 4:30-32*

❖ DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 607

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

❖ HYMN No. 295

Go to the World!

SINE NOMINE

SENDING FORTH

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ CHORAL RESPONSE

As many are led by the Spirit of God G. T. Thalben-Ball

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

POSTLUDE

Veni creator en taille à 5 Nicolas de Grigny
Based on "Veni creator spiritus," a ninth-century hymn to the Holy Spirit.



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: Robert Harden, Jr., Acolyte: Zubin Fiorillo
The Overbrook Choir
Iris Fairfax, Soprano
The Overbrook Junior Choir
The Overbrook Westminster Handbell Choir
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music

The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God
by Will Schick in memory of Patricia Schick

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:

Dick Williamson, Susy Brandt, Laurie Geers, Bob Kaercher, Jonathan Kopcsik,
Peter Seidel and Judy Williamson

Opener/Closer
Buck and Mary Scott

Deacons Delivering Flowers:
Peju Adebanjo and Davorka Sablak

Following worship today - please join us for refreshments in the Wistar Morris Room. We would like to thank the New Member Committee. 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 20	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour
Monday, May 21	7:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Group-Williamson
Wednesday, May 23	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study-Chapel
Thursday, May 24	7:00 p.m.	Christian Education -Chapel
Sunday, May 27 - Baptism Sunday		
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Forum
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour
	12:00 p.m.	Memorial Day Service

☞ Today is Confirmation Sunday, Six OPC youth will profess their faith and be received into church membership. Congratulations to all of our newly confirmed members.

*Emma Biedermann
Liam Clifford
Auriane Geraldo
Kendi Long
Maya Stricker
Everett Whalen*

☞ 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 3:1-17, the lectionary reading for Trinity Sunday, May 27.



Next Sunday, May 27, we will be celebrating the Baptism of Johanna Adeife Gosfield, daughter of Andrea and Alex Gosfield.



Come join us Next Sunday, May 27 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 God Be Full of Love and Wrath at the Same Time?*

Overbrook Farmers Market will be opening this Saturday May 26 @ 9:00am-Noon. Make plans to stop by now. The market will be doing a survey to find out what kind of vendors and items you may need. Thanks for supporting the Food Trust and OFC Farmers Market. Looking forward to seeing you!



Please join us on Sunday May 27 at noon for a brief prayer service in honor of Memorial Day by the World War II Memorial window in the Sanctuary.



Celebrate the day after Memorial Day by helping those who need a good meal. On Tuesday, May 29, we will cook and serve dinner for the clients of the Life Center of Eastern Delaware County (often referred to as "the shelter"). We cook in the morning and leave church to serve at 6:00 p.m. Contact Nancy Gilhool if you want to cook, and Janet Bowker if you want to serve. If you want to help but aren't available on Tuesday, there will be some opportunities to help prepare for the dinner on Sunday, May 27, during coffee hour. -Nancy Gilhool

gilhoolfam@verizon.net



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



☞ “Attention Overbrook! Due to the high demand for photo session appointments we have added an additional date to the schedule - THURSDAY, JUNE 21st, 2p-9p. If you haven't scheduled your appointment yet, there are now more choices available. You can schedule yourself (and family) by following the links on Overbrookpresb.org or stop by the sign-up table before or after worship this Sunday. Help us meet our goal of 100% participation - everyone treasures their church photo directory.



This is the last Sunday tickets will be on sale for the Women's Retreat on June 2. They are \$40 and can be paid with cash or check. We need to provide a final headcount to the host site by May 24. We have a good group assembled so far and would love if you could join us, too! Who couldn't use a little more JOY in her life? We hope to have the chance to worship and be with you on June 2. Please contact Becky, Artia, Sabrina, or Carolyn with any questions.-The Women's Retreat Committee



If anyone has a member of their family that is graduating this year please send the names and where they are graduating from so that we can recognize their accomplishments in our July newsletter. Please see Artia Benjamin - newlife5125@aol.com.



Connect with Us! Everyone should have received an email invitation to our new member/friend database called Realm. If you have not received an email please let the church office know so that they can confirm your email address. This database will make it easier for our church family to connect with each other and keep up with what's going on here at OPC. If you have any questions or want to know more about Realm please feel free to contact either Lisa or Carol in the office or visit our website at www.overbrookpresb.org and under the Connect with Us tab, will be a link to Realm and also FAQs

The seal of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is a symbolic statement of the church's heritage, identity, and mission in contemporary form. Its power depends on both its simplicity and complexity, as well as its traditional and enduring qualities. The basic symbols in the seal are the cross, Scripture, the dove, and flames. The dominant structural and theological element in the design is the cross — the universal and most ecumenical symbol of the Christian church. The cross represents the incarnate love of God in Jesus Christ and his passion and resurrection. Because of its association with Presbyterian history, the Celtic cross was chosen as a model for this contemporary rendering of the ancient symbol. In experimenting with the basic lines and shapes of the cross, the contour of a book began to emerge in the horizontal section, and the two center lines of the cross became the representation of an open book. This integration of the horizontal dimensions of the cross with the book motif highlights the emphasis which the Reformed tradition has placed on the role of Scripture as a means of knowing God's word. Beneath the image of the book is the suggestion of a lectern or pulpit, which captures the important role of preaching in the history of Presbyterian worship.

The slightly flared shape of the Celtic cross also makes possible the transforming of the uppermost section into the shape of a descending dove. As a symbol of the Holy Spirit, the dove is intimately tied to the representation of the Bible, affirming the role of the Spirit in both inspiring and interpreting Scripture in the life of the church. The dove also symbolizes Christ's baptism by John and the peace and wholeness which his death and resurrection bring to a broken world. Integrated into the lower part of the design are flames which form an implied triangle, a traditional symbol of the Trinity. The flames themselves convey a double meaning: a symbol of revelation in the Old Testament when God spoke to Moses from the burning bush and a suggestion of the beginning of the Christian church when Christ manifested himself to his apostles at Pentecost and charged them to be messengers of the good news of God's love.

The triangle also suggests the nature of Presbyterian government, with its concern for balance and order, dividing authority between ministers of the Word and laypersons and between different governing bodies. This understanding of the church was based in part on an important idea in Reformed theology, the covenant, which God establishes with people to affirm God's enduring love and to call us to faith and obedience to Jesus Christ. Looking more closely at some of the visual components of the design, viewers may discover elements that seem to fuse with some of the more obvious theological symbols. In the shape of the descending dove, for example, one might also discern in the body of the bird, the form of a fish, an early-Christian sign for Christ, recalling his ministry to those who hunger. Others have seen a baptismal font or a communion chalice (cup). <http://oga.pcusa.org/section/stated-clerk/stated-clerk/seal/>

Prayer List

- ◆ Luis Wong is now home and recovering from surgery from a broken hip. .
- ◆ John Nathaniel is in rehab and welcomes visitors.
- ◆ DeDe Sherlock, Pat Dillon's sister, is continuing to have health issues.
- ◆ Ed Harvey is home recovering from surgery. He is very grateful for prayers by his church family.
- ◆ Leo Miller, Vince Gilhool's nephew, is receiving cancer treatment.
- ◆ The Rev. David McMillian, OPC Pastor Emeritus, is thankful to be recovering from knee surgery!
- ◆ Thomas James, father of Savannah England (formerly Anna Lemley) is battling lung cancer.
- ◆ Charlotte Carpenter is dealing with rheumatoid arthritis.
- ◆ Lynda Johnson is having health concerns.
- ◆ Ellen Burr has 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, 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:

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The Overbrook Quartet

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

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

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