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# Overbrook Presbyterian Church

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Worship Service  
Confirmation Sunday  
May 22, 2022  
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. Dr. Adam Hearlson, Pastor  
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music  
The Overbrook Choir  
Zubin Fiorillo, cello  
Aiaynna Long, acolyte

Today's chancel flowers are given by the glory of God.

**Ushers:** Robert Harden, Jr., Kevin Davis, Davorka Sabljak, Aimerie Scherluebbe, Will Schick, Trudy Sheau, Yannick Geraldo and Blake Hotek

**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.

### **Large Print Bulletins and Hymns are Available.**

Please speak to one of the ushers if you have special needs.

**Following worship today**, please join us for Fellowship Hour in the Wistar Morris room. Today's fellowship hour is hosted the parents/guardians of the Confirmands. 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

Larghetto deliberato

Fumio Hayasaka  
(1914-1955)

INTROIT

O praise God in his holiness

George Thalben-Ball  
(1896-1987)

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

*Lily Baker*

Leader: All who thirst, come to the water.

**People: Come, all who are weary;**

Leader: come, all who yearn for forgiveness.

**People: The Holy Spirit has washed over us,**

Leader: Our holy God beckons and blesses us.

**People: Drink deeply of these living waters.**

Leader: May our thirst be quenched this day.

All: Glory to you, O Lord, glory to you

❖ HYMN No. 826

CRUCIFER

Lift High the Cross

WELCOME

*Adam Hearlson*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND COURAGE (*unison*)

*Nina Bowser*

Lord, you showed us true humility by becoming one of us,  
**yet too often we practice pride.**

You cried alongside your friends and for the city of Jerusalem,  
**yet too often we rush past the pain of others and are careless about our cities.**

You loved those who were weak, despised, or cast out,  
**yet too often we love those who are strong, respected, or popular.**

You freely forgave and healed,  
**yet too often we hold grudges and cause pain.**

You lived a perfectly holy life,  
**yet too often we do not yearn for righteousness.**

You prayed that we who believe in you should be united with each other and you,  
yet too often we focus on the differences that separate us from other believers.

You were mocked, whipped, and even killed for us,  
yet too often we deny you.

You call us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world,  
yet too often we blend into or hide from our culture.

Forgive us, Lord, so that we will shine with your glory. Amen.

## SILENT CONFESSION

EMBRACING GOD'S GRACE

*Nina Bowser*

❖ GLORIA PATRI

HYMN No. 581

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

## CONFIRMATION

INTRODUCTION OF CONFIRMANDS:

Lily Baker	Nina Bowser
Yannick Geraldo	Nora Halfenger
Asa Hausmann	Blake Hotek
Aiyana Long	Tess Kupstas
Lahni Smedley	Park Mayne
Sarah Whalen	

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM-Nina Bowser

AFFIRMATION OF CONGREGATION

AFFIRMATION OF MENTORS

LAYING ON HANDS  
SOLO

Sarabande from Cello Suite no. 2  
*Zubin Fiorillo, cello*

J. S. Bach  
(1685-1750)

GOSPEL LESSON  
The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

Luke 2:41-52

*Nora Halfenger*  
Pew Bible, p. 55

HOMILY

The Journey of Faith

*Adam Hearlson*

❖HYMN No. 488

I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry

WATERLIFE

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

LIFE AT THE CROSSROADS

*Adam Hearlson*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Park Mayne*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING OF PEACE

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

*Tess Kupstas*

*(If you wish to leave an offering, we encourage you to use*

*the offering plate by the lectern as you depart the Sanctuary.)*

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING

Noel Rawsthorne  
(1929-2019)

Christ Is Our Cornerstone

*The Overbrook Choir*

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Christ is our cornerstone,  
on him alone we build;  
with his true saints alone  
the courts of heaven are filled:  
on his great love our hopes we place  
of present grace and joy above.

Here, gracious God, do thou  
for evermore draw nigh;  
accept each faithful vow,  
and mark each suppliant sigh;  
in copious shower on all who pray  
each holy day thy blessings pour.

O then with hymns of praise  
these hallowed courts shall ring;  
our voices we will raise  
the Three in One to sing;  
and thus proclaiming joyful song,  
both loud and long, that glorious name.

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*7<sup>th</sup>-century Latin hymn, tr. John Chandler*

❖ DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below,  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*Tess Kupstas*

Generous God, we marvel at your lavish gifts to us: life and breath, food and shelter, opportunities for work and play, and, most especially, hope and peace in Christ. We now pledge ourselves to mirror and reflect the glory of your self-giving love, to continue in the pattern of generosity we see perfectly revealed in Christ, through whom we pray. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

❖ HYMN (*on next page*)

LIGHT OF MINE

## This Little Light of Mine



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|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. This lit-tle light of_ mine, | I'm gon-na let it shine. |
| 2. Ev - 'ry_ where I_ go,___    | I'm gon-na let it shine. |
| 3. Je - sus_ gave it to me,___  | I'm gon-na let it shine. |
| 4. Shine,___ shine,___ shine,   | I'm gon-na let it shine. |
| 5. All_____ in my_ home,        | I'm gon-na let it shine. |



This lit - tle light of_ mine,___	I'm gon-na let it shine.
Ev - 'ry_ where I_ go,___	I'm gon-na let it shine.
Je - sus_ gave it to me,___	I'm gon-na let it shine.
Shine,___ shine,___ shine,___	I'm gon-na let it shine.
All_____ in my_ home,___	I'm gon-na let it shine.



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Ev - 'ry - where I_ go,___	I'm gon-na let it shine.____
Je - sus_ gave it to me,___	I'm gon-na let it shine.____
Shine,___ shine,___ shine,___	I'm gon-na let it shine.____
All_____ in my_ home,___	I'm gon-na let it shine.____



Let it shine,	let it shine,	let it shine._____
Let it shine,	let it shine,	let it shine._____
Let it shine,	let it shine,	let it shine._____
Let it shine,	let it shine,	let it shine._____
Let it shine,	let it shine,	let it shine._____

❖BENEDICTION

Sarah Whalen

CHORAL RESPONSE

Keep us in thy footsteps, Father

Ann Ker  
(b. 1933)

POSTLUDE

Praeludium in G major

Johann Ludwig Krebs  
(1713-1780)

*Please depart quietly for those who wish to listen to the postlude.  
If you have a child or children who attended Sunday School,  
you may meet them in Fellowship Hall after the congregational meeting.*

### Music Spotlight: Preludes

Fumio Hayasaka was a Japanese composer who was especially known for his film music, in addition to several orchestral and chamber works. His compositional style combined elements of the late-Romantic era with those of traditional Japanese music. This piece is from a set of short pieces for piano; it features long, gentle melodic lines set against a soundscape of slowly changing harmonies.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

### Congregational Meeting after service

The session of OPC has called a Congregational Meeting to be held after the worship service today. The sole item of business at this meeting will be to elect the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee to their work. Please aim to be present for this important decision. The nominees are as follows:

- Bob Kothari
- Kadie Whalen
- Herb Brabham
- Margaret Paschal
- Cheryl Davis
- Zubin Fiorillo

**Honoring Our Graduates.** As we approach the end of a challenging year, do you know a soon-to-be high school or college graduate? The Deacons would like to honor them in June. Please email the name of the graduate and their achievement either to Artia, [newlife5125@gmail.com](mailto:newlife5125@gmail.com), or Lisa, [office@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:office@overbrookpresb.org).



**Fellowship Hour.** If you would like to host a Fellowship Hour, please see the sign-up sheet in the Wistar Morris Room or contact Artia Benjamin for more information. We are currently in need of hosts for July and August.

## YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Youth Ministry Camping Trip**

**June 3-5—Avalon Campground**

All OPC youth are invited to attend our Youth Camping Trip at Avalon Campground, Avalon, NJ. Come camp by the beach, enjoy smores by the fire, and spend time in fellowship. Please register for the trip by scanning the QR code below. More information on the trip is provided on the registration page. If you need help registering, please contact Lisa ([manager@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:manager@overbrookpresb.org)).



## CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Vacation Bible School** - *It's that time of year!* The Children and Family Ministry will offer four days of VBS to children grades K-5 on **July 25-28th**. Vacation Bible School is an offering of the Children and Family Ministry. There is **no charge to participate**. The program will be held indoors and outdoors between 5:00 and 7:30 PM. Parents and caregivers can register their children via Realm by going to [tinyurl.com/OPC-VBS-22](https://tinyurl.com/OPC-VBS-22). Registrations are due by July 1st.

The CFM seeks **youth and adult volunteers** to lead groups, activity stations, and assist with set up and clean up. A volunteer training luncheon will be held on Sunday, July 24th, from 12:00-1:00 PM. Please contact Anthony, Sabrina, or Christy if you want to get involved!

## RETIRED PERSONS MINISTRY (RPM) ANNOUNCEMENTS

**RPM Plus!** RPM is growing...and will now be offering small group fellowship, learning, and "doing" activities **in the Chapel**, on Fridays throughout the month. Known as "RPM Plus," the schedule of events will offer a blend of both new and continuing activities each month. (On Fridays when two sessions are scheduled at different times, participants may elect to attend one or both.) Join us for these upcoming RPM Plus activities:

May 27:

10:00 a.m. to noon—*Community Service: Teachers' Teammates.*

Convener: Nancy Gilhool ([gilhoolfam@verizon.net](mailto:gilhoolfam@verizon.net))

BYO best packing, labelling, and sorting skills as we bundle school supplies for classrooms in low-income school districts. RSVP to Nancy Gilhool. Those who wish may bring a snack or lunch. Beverages will be available.

### ONGOING WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

The Work of the Church continues, and we continue to create programming for our community.

**Tuesday Women's Prayer & Support Group—7:30 am**

Join <https://bit.ly/3yxD2F4> or call 646-558-8656,

Meeting ID: 932 4865 5338

**Wednesday Bible Study—10:30 am--Both in person and online**

Join <https://tinyurl.com/46n54thm> or call 646-558-8656

**Thursday Vigil for Racial Justice—3:00 pm-5:00 pm**

**Saturday Morning Men's' Group—9:00 am**

Join <https://bit.ly/3hOXg6H> or call 646-558-8656,

Meeting ID: 920 1485 0418

**Sunday School—during worship**

For children Pre-K through Grade 5, every Sunday except the first of the month

## Prayer List

- Prayers for comfort and restoration of health for George, Bernadette, and Charlie Schick, who have contracted COVID.
- Prayers of comfort for Olga Hoggard following a recent hospital stay.
- Prayers for restoration of health Susy Brandt, who is recovering from COVID.
- Prayers for Stephanie Morris and her family.
- Prayers for restoration of health for Alan, brother of Terri Hunter.
- Prayers for all who face ongoing health challenges, especially Judy Williamson, Susan Leach, Ernestine Harris, Caroline Skinner, Aqueelah Folwell, Stephanie Stokes, Judy Swartz, Ed Harvey, Alyce Marsh, Ellen Burr, Bill and Jean Long, Terri Carter and Martha.
- Prayers of gratitude and strength for family members who care for multiple generations of loved ones.
- Prayers of hope and strength for all who are experiencing challenges and transitions in their personal and professional lives.
- Prayers of joy and thanksgiving for the members of the OPC Confirmation Class of 2022.

*Please contact Bill Baker ([wbaklava@aol.com](mailto:wbaklava@aol.com)) or Sharon Parker ([sharon@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:sharon@overbrookpresb.org)) to add names to the prayer list.*

## OPC SESSION MEMBERS:

Adam Hearlson, Moderator

Raelyn Harman, Clerk of Session; Stephanie Morris, Treasurer

\*\* indicates second consecutive term

### Class of 2022

Elizabeth Cosgriff

Bob Harden, Jr.

Linda Huff-Paul

Deborah Rottinger\*\*

Eileen Wiggins\*\*

### Class of 2023

Keedra Carroll

Kevin Davis\*\*

Solomon Hunter

Becky Lazo\*\*

Nathalie May

### Class of 2024

Herb Brabham\*\*

Elizabeth Mendoza\*\*

Brian Taussig-Lux

Christoph Von Andreae

Mimi Winkler

## OPC DEACONS:

Bill Baker, Moderator, Board of Deacons

Jason Sheau, Treasurer; Mary Lou Ryce, Secretary

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### Class of 2022

Artia Benjamin\*\*

Suchita Fiorillo\*\*

Bill Baker

Bob Kaercher

Nickie Stokes\*\*

### Class of 2023

Peju Adebajo\*\*

Miriam Harden

Ginny Leagans

Leah Mayne

Jason Sheau

### Class of 2024

Gloria Brabham

Nancy Gilhool\*\*

Mike Rottinger

Mary Lou Ryce\*\*

Will Schick

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*The Rev. Dr. Adam Hearlson - Pastor*

*The Rev. David McMillan - Pastor Emeritus*

*Dr. Christopher Gage - Director of Music*

*Anthony Carrella - Director of Children and Family Ministry*

*Sharon Parker - Parish Care Associate*

*Lisa Faso - Office Manager*

*Carol Rozmiarek - Financial Secretary*

*Leonard Robbins - Church Custodian*

The Overbrook Quartet:

*Iris Fairfax, soprano; Allison Chang, alto;*

*Toffer Mihalka, tenor; Matthew Lulofs, bass*

*“Overbrook Presbyterian Church actively seeks to worship God, serving each other and the world through a welcoming, loving, and inclusive ministry.”*

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