
Overbrook Presbyterian Church



Worship Service
May 8, 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
Jason Duckworth, Lay Leader
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music
The Overbrook Choir
Matthew Lulofs, baritone

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

Ushers: Ron Homer, Jim McDaniel, Carol Tulba and Sean Whalen

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 by Ann Elise Lindgren and Laurie Geers. 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

Charles Villiers Stanford
Prelude on “St. Columba” (1852-1924)
 (“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”)

INTROIT

Ann Ker
O Sing unto the Lord (b. 1933)

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Jason Duckworth

Leader: To see the life that teems around us,
People: To give thanks for the gift we have received;
Leader: To notice the beauty and promise of spring,
People: To breathe deeply of the season;
Leader: To accept the gift of love, and to love in return:
People: This is to worship God.
All: Let us stand and join our voices together.

❖ HYMN No. 475

NETTLETON
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

WELCOME

Adam Hearlson

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND COURAGE (*unison*) *Jason Duckworth*

God of grace and mercy,
you love us, but we have not always loved you.
You call, but we have not always listened.
We know the times we walk away from neighbors in need,
wrapped in our own concerns.
We condone—by our inaction and inattention—evil, prejudice, warfare,
and greed.
God of grace, help us to admit our sin,
so that as you come to us in mercy,
we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

EMBRACING GOD'S GRACE

❖ 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.

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON

John 21:15-22

Jason Duckworth

The Word of the Lord.

Pew Bible, p. 109

Thanks be to God.

BIBLICAL STORYTELLING

Anthony Carrella

(Following the storytelling, learners in Pre-K through Grade 5 are encouraged to recess with Anthony and volunteer teachers to Sunday School in Fellowship Hall.

They should bring everything they need, masks included, to Sunday School.)

SOLO

Antonín Dvořák

“Hospodin jest muj pastýr” from *Biblické písně* (1841-1904)
 (“The Lord Is My Shepherd” from *Biblical Songs*)

Toffer Mihalka, tenor

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 28:16-20

Adam Hearlson

The Word of the Lord.

Pew Bible, p. 32

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Making Disciples:
What does it Mean to Evangelize?

Adam Hearlson

❖ HYMN No. 482

BUNESSAN

Baptized in Water

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*Psalm 23*)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
my whole life long.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

LIFE AT THE CROSSROADS

Adam Hearlson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharon Parker

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

*(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

Bobby McFerrin

The 23rd Psalm (dedicated to my mother)

(b. 1950)

The Overbrook Choir

The Lord is my Shepherd, I have all I need.
She makes me lie down in green meadows,
Beside the still waters, She will lead.

She restores my soul, She rights my wrongs,
She leads me in a path of good things,
And fills my heart with songs.

Even though I walk through a dark and dreary land,
There is nothing that can shake me,
She has said, She won't forsake me,
I'm in Her hand.

She sets a table before me in the presence of my foes,
She anoints my head with oil,
And my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and kindness will follow me
All the days of my life,
And I will live in Her house forever and ever.

Glory be to our Mother, and Daughter,
And to the Holy of Holies,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen.

Psalm 23, adapted

❖ 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

Jason Duckworth

Holy God, bless and baptize these gifts, that they might become good news to the poor, a balm for the hurting, and food for the hungry. May these gifts support your mission of peace and justice in this world.

SENDING FORTH

❖ HYMN No. 485

ENGELBERG

We Know That Christ Is Raised and Dies No More

❖ BENEDICTION

Adam Hearlson

CHORAL RESPONSE

Lead Me, O Lord

Eleanor Daley
(b. 1955)

POSTLUDE

Voluntary IV

William Russell
(1777-1813)

*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.*

Music Spotlight: Anthem at the Offering

Bobby McFerrin had this to say about his setting of Psalm 23: “The 23rd Psalm is dedicated to my mother. She was the driving force in my religious and spiritual education, and I have so many memories of her singing in church. But I wrote it because I’d been reading the Bible one morning, and I was thinking about God’s unconditional love, about how we crave it but have so much trouble believing we can trust it, and how we can’t fully understand it. And then I left my reading and spent time with my wife and our children. Watching her with them, the way she loved them, I realized one of the ways we’re shown a glimpse of how God loves us is through our mothers. They cherish our spirits, they demand that we become our best selves, and they take care of us.”

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

Congregational Meeting, May 22nd after service

The session of OPC has called a Congregational Meeting to be held after the worship service on May 22nd. 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. A list of nominees will be sent to the church early this week.

Upcoming Organ Recital: Isabelle Demers. On Sunday, May 15, at 3:00 p.m., the Dennis Elwell Organ Recital Series continues with world-renowned organist Isabelle Demers, who is the newly appointed organ professor at McGill University in Montréal. Her program will include works by J. S. Bach, César Franck, and Rachel Laurin. Admission is pay-what-you-wish at the door, with a suggested donation of \$20. Come celebrate the return of this exciting series!

Wednesday Morning Bible Study is on a break for May 11 and May 18. In lieu of bible study, Trudy Sheau is inviting the community to a two-week conversation about Adult Education opportunities for the Fall at OPC. This ministry is an important one as we continue to cultivate faith formation in the community. Please come be a part of the conversation about how we can, as Paul writes, “grow in our knowledge and understanding of Christ.”

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, or Lisa, 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

Confirmation Sunday

May 22—10:30 a.m.

Please join the church in celebrating our confirmation class and affirming their decisions.

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).



CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parent's Night Out

Friday, May 20—5:30 p.m.

Parents and caregivers: enjoy a night out with free childcare provided by the CFM! Our team will welcome your kids to church, where stories, games, and activities will greet them. Later, dinner will be served with a film to follow. Parents and caregivers can pick up their children at OPC between 8:00 and 8:30 p.m. Questions? Want to volunteer time to help with the event? Contact Anthony, Christy, or Sabrina.

RSVP today at <https://tinyurl.com/OPCParentsNight>.

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 Friday's 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.) Upcoming RPM Plus activities include:

May 20:

- (Session 1) 10:00 AM-Noon *Wellness: The Gifts and Challenges of Aging*
Co-Conveners: Bette Homer (bettebhomer@gmail.com) and Pat Dillon (psdillon1@earthlink.net) Come join Bette and Pat as they lead discussions on the natural aging process related to vision, and on making the most of visits to your medical provider. Good information and good humor will be in abundant .
- (Session 2) 12:15 PM- 2:15 PM: *Weaving Creative Arts and Fellowship* Convener: Mary Lou Ryce (marylou.ryce@gmail.com) Mary Lou will help us explore and expand our creative potential! No prior experience necessary. Participants are most welcome to bring a bagged lunch. Beverages will be provided.

RETIRED PERSONS MINISTRY (RPM) ANNOUNCEMENTS-(CONT'D)

May 27: 10:00 AM-Noon Community *Service: Teachers' Teammates* Convener: Nancy Gilhool (gilhoolfam@verizon.net). BYO best packing, labelling, and sorting skills, as we bundle school supplies for classrooms in low-income Delaware County school districts. RSVP to Nancy Gilhool. Those who wish, may bring a snack/lunch. Beverages will be available.

RPM...on the Road! May 13, 10:30 AM-2:30 PM In place of the May RPM Café, RPM has been invited to travel to Stoneleigh Mansion and Natural Gardens in Villanova! Pack your picnic lunch and cameras. In addition to the magnificent structure and grounds, Stoneleigh is also home to the Philadelphia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, and to the Organ Historical Society Archives. This trip has been arranged through the courtesy of OPC's retired Minister of Music, Dennis Elwell, and Marcia Sommers. Marcia is the OHS archivist and a friend of Overbrook, having assisted Chris Gage with the Junior Choir in pre-pandemic seasons. Directions to Stoneleigh will be provided; carpooling is encouraged. The trip to Stoneleigh is a rain/shine program. Indoor "picnic" space is available in the event of inclement weather. In order for Stoneleigh to prepare for our visit, RSVPs would be appreciated by May 10 (sharon@overbrookpresb.org). There is no cost to participate.

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

No Wednesday Bible Study – May 11 or 18

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 of comfort and hope for Luis Wong as he awaits a medical evaluation for a liver transplant.
- Prayers of comfort and consolation for Margaret Young and her family, on the death of Keith Young, loving son, father, and grandfather.
- Prayers of comfort and consolation for the family and friends of Eric Pope who died last week.
- Prayers for restoration of health of Nancy and Wayne Gage who tested positive for COVID.
- Prayers for restoration of health for Martha, friend of Davorika Sabljak, as she receives medical treatment for cancer.
- Prayers for Stephanie Morris and her family.
- Prayers for restoration of health for Alan, brother of Terri Hunter.
- Prayers for all who face on-going 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, and Terri Carter.
- 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.

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

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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.”

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475

1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith-er by thy help I'm come;
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!

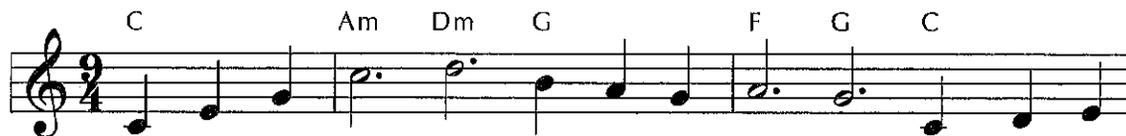
streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!
 he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood.
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.

Baptized in Water



1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our King; heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing the
 tomb with Christ our King; one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our King; born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

Each stanza of this compact and carefully constructed text about baptism begins with allusions to John 3:5 and Ephesians 1:13. The interplay of constant and changing lines accentuates each added image. It is set here to a Gaelic tune first transcribed in the 19th century.

Let cre - a - tion praise its giv - er: there is wa - ter in the font.

We Know That Christ Is Raised 485

Capo 3: (D) (Asus) (A) (A/G) (D/F#)
 F Csus C C/B^b F/A

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
 2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
 3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
 4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows

(D) (A) (D) (E7) (A)
 F C F G7 C

Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold,
 Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life
 The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the church of God.
 as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.

(Am) (D) (G) (Em) (Bm)
 Cm F B^b Gm Dm

and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
 as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
 Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One.
 The u - ni - verse, re - stored and whole, will sing:

1-3 4
 (Em) (D) (Asus) (A) (Em) (D)
 Gm F Csus C Gm F

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Beginning with an allusion to Romans 6:9, this exuberant baptismal hymn unfolds the implications of our incorporation into Christ's new life, making us "a new creation" (2 Corinthians 5:17). The text was written to fit this expansive tune by a distinguished British composer.