
Overbrook Presbyterian Church



Worship Service
Christ the King
November 22, 2020
10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Overbrook Presbyterian Church

We are glad you are worshiping with us this morning!

Leading Worship Today:

The Rev. Dr. Adam Hearlson, Pastor
Ron Homer, Liturgist
Edelene Carroll and Elizabeth Mendoza, Prayer Leaders
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music
Iris Fairfax, soprano
The Overbrook Virtual Choir
Carol Rozmiarek, Tech Manager

GATHERING IN

PRELUDE

CWG

Improvisation on “Diademata”
 (“Crown Him with Many Crowns”)

CALL TO WORSHIP/WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

LAUDA ANIMA

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ron Homer

A prayer of Metropolitan Philaret of Moscow

Lord, I know not what to ask of You.

You alone know what my true needs are.

You love me more than I myself know how to love.

Help me to see my real needs, which may be hidden from me.

I dare not ask for either a cross or a consolation.

I can only wait upon You; my heart is open to You.

Visit and help me in Your steadfast love.

Open me and heal me; bend me and raise me up.

I worship in silence Your holy will.

I offer myself to You as a living sacrifice.

I put all my trust in You.

I have no other desire than to fulfill Your will.

Teach me to pray. Pray Yourself in me. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 25:31-46

Ron Homer

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Anthony Carrella

Mary Lou Ryce

SOLO

Come, Ye Blessed

Iris Fairfax, soprano

John Prindle Scott
(1877-1932)

Then shall the King say unto them
upon His right hand,

Come, ye blessed of my Father,
inherit the kingdom prepared for you
from the foundation of the world.

I was anhungered, and ye gave me meat;
I was athirst, and ye gave me drink;
I was a stranger, and ye took me in;
Naked, and ye clothed me;
I was sick, and ye visited me;
I was in prison, and ye came unto me.

Therefore, come ye blessed...

Matthew 25:34-36

NEW TESTAMENT

Ephesians 1:15-23

Adam Hearlson

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“The Low and Lifted Up”

Adam Hearlson

SOLO

Gioachino Rossini

“Fac ut portem” from *Stabat Mater* (1792-1868)

Fac ut portem Christi mortem,
passionis ejus sortem,
et plagas recolare.

Grant that I may bear Christ's death,
share his Passion,
and commemorate His wounds.

Fac me plagis vulnerary,
cruce hac inebriari,
ob amorem Filii.

Let me be wounded with his wounds,
inebriated by the cross
because of love for the Son.

(13th-century hymn)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - (*Apostles' Creed*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father almighty.

From there 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/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Adam Hearlson
Edelene Carroll
Elizabeth Mendoza

LORD'S PRAYER (*debts/debtors*)

SHARING OF PEACE

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

ANTHEM

Christ Is Our Cornerstone
The Overbrook Virtual Choir

Noel Rawsthorne
(1929-2019)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Ron Homer

By Quentin Chin

We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us.

In the upside down world of the gospel,
we measure our wealth not by what we have,
but what we can give away.

Let us give away generously, in this offering,
To bless your church, your people, your creation.

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING HYMN

He Is King of Kings

HE IS KING

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

I cieli immensi narrano
("The heavens declare [the glory of God]")

Benedetto Marcello
(1686-1739)

☞This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church☞

Advent Bags

It's almost time—Advent begins next Sunday and if you haven't had the chance to peek in your bag you just may want to – included is daily devotional for Advent, supplies for making an advent wreath, supplies for Chrismons and more.

If you do not have yours by Monday, November 23, please contact Sharon Parker (sparker614@gmail.com, 610-742-8415) or Eileen Wiggins (eeewiggins3@gmail.com, 215-360-6459) so we can get one to you before November 29, the first day of Advent.

Wednesday Bible Study

Please note due to the Thanksgiving Holiday next week, there will be NO Bible Study on November 25. Study will resume on Wednesday, December 2.

Vigil for Racial Justice

Next Thursday's Vigil will still be happening even though it is Thanksgiving. The vigil will be from 11:00 am –noon. People are welcome to stay longer but signups will only be for the one hour.

Sunday, November 29

This is will be the first Sunday of Advent and The Underwood Family will be lighting our first candle, candle of hope. If you would like to participate at home be sure to check out your Advent Bag and assemble the Advent wreath that has been supplied.

Fellowship Hour!

In an attempt to continue to build community and serve our congregation, we will be holding a virtual fellowship hour after worship. At the conclusion of the service, people who remain will be invited to join a breakout room where they will have five minutes to catch up with their church friends. After five minutes, you can join another room, and then another, for a total of about 15-20 minutes of conversation and fellowship. So, bring your coffee, snacks, and finger foods, and gather again for a good OPC coffee hour.

Need Support?

If you or someone you know is in need of care or support during this time please let Pastor Adam or Terri Hunter, teresahunter42@gmail.com, know. OPC has an emergency fund to help people who are in need. We have raised over \$27,000 to help our congregation weather this storm. If you are in need and financially struggling, the church is here to help. We are in this together. More information on the emergency fund is on the website.

Weekly Opportunities

The Work of the Church continues, and we continue to create programming for our community. Links for Bible Study, the Women's Prayer & Support Group, and the Men's Group are below. Please refer to your e-mail or contact the church for information on gatherings for children and youth.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.

Join [Wednesday Bible Study](#) or call 646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 659 964 984

Tuesday Women's Prayer & Support Group, 7:30 a.m.

Join [Women's Prayer Tuesday](#) or call 646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 957 2832 7321

Thursday Vigil for Racial Justice, 3:00 pm-7:00 p.m.

The church holds a public vigil for racial justice on our corner of City and Lancaster. You are invited to show up and pray, hold signs, and witness to the need for racial justice in our city, our country, and our world. Come and make your voice heard! Sign up for a time here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090A4AACAE2DA2FE3-thursday>

Saturday Morning Men's' Group, 9:00 am

Join [Men's Group](#) or call 646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 209 922 549

Ways to Give

Many people have asked how they can continue to give to the church during this time. We currently have five ways you can give online to the church.

1. To donate by credit card (with PayPal account): We have a Donate button on our website that will take you to the PayPal Giving Fund where you can make donations to the church using a credit card. When giving this way, the church is not charged any processing fees. You will have to either log in with your PayPal account or create one to donate this way.

2. To donate with a credit card (without PayPal account): If you'd prefer not to use a PayPal account, you can donate through PayPal but using a credit card only. Go to this link: https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=s-xclick&hosted_button_id=VX4E5GVVUE7VW&source=url. Pick "Donate with a Debit or Credit Card" and follow the directions.

3. To set up a recurring credit card donation (with PayPal account): If you'd like to set up a monthly credit card donation, you can use this link: https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=s-xclick&hosted_button_id=VX4E5GVVUE7VW&source=url. Enter the amount of your donation and check the box to make it a monthly donation. You will have to have (or create) a PayPal account to set it up this way.

4. To set up a recurring donation by check: Most banks offer the option to set up recurring payments by check. You can set it up so that the church is mailed a check on whatever schedule you choose. You'd need to check your bank's website or call them to set that up. The church mailing address is 6376 City Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19151.

5. To give by text: Text GIVE to [484-222-5757](tel:484-222-5757) and follow the prompts. You can make a one-time donation or set up recurring donations.

As with all online giving, most companies take a cut of whatever you give (PayPal takes 3% and texting takes 1% plus the 3% of PayPal), so, if you are searching for the way for the church to receive the whole amount of your gift, automatic deduction from your bank is the most efficient.

☞ Prayer List ☞

- Terri Hunter's sister and brother-in-law who are both suffering from COVID-19.
- Ken Carroll recovering from cataract surgery, grateful for all prayers
- Marita Patino Treat Rosen- prayers for chronic pain relief
- Bob Kaercher's brother's rotator cuff surgery went well, needs PT for a few months
- Jackie McKeithan, family friend of Artia Benjamin, is now in hospicecare
- Margaret Young's son Keith remains under medical treatment but is no longer on hospice care.
- Chris Gage's parents –Nancy and Wayne Gage.
- Lynn Pompa continued prayers are needed for medical complications.
- Mary Pat, friend of Ginny Leagans, is being treated for colon cancer and just started chemotherapy.
- Theresa Carter is currently being treated for metastatic breast cancer and her tumor is shrinking.
- Amanda Benjamin is seeking employment after being recently laid off.
- Kim Bridgford, friend of Holly Brigham, has passed away after battling stage four breast cancer. Prayers for her family and close friends.
- Caroline Skinner is facing health challenges (still waiting for a kidney, happy to get a shawl)
- Dale, friend of the Kupstas's family, is awaiting test results and diagnosis of a current illness. Dale is a father of 3 children.
- Judy Swartz prayers for continued healing.
- Al Mayne, father of Scott Mayne, has just completed cancer treatment and is recovering from surgery.
- Eric Long's father Bill Long's cancer has returned.
- Wendy Fraser, sister of Jeremy Blatchley, is continuing treatment for cancer.
- Ed Harvey is still facing some multiple health challenges. He is grateful for all the prayers.

*Please contact Terri Hunter (teresahunter42@gmail.com)
or the Church Office to add names to the prayer list.*

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OPC SESSION MEMBERS:

Adam Hearlson, Moderator

Sara Davis, Clerk of Session; Stephanie Morris, Treasurer

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Class of 2020	Class of 2021	Class of 2022
Rachel Carnahan**	Elaine Blodgett	Elizabeth Cosgriff
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The Rev. Dr. Adam Hearlson - *Designated Pastor*

The Rev. David McMillan - *Pastor Emeritus*

Dr. Christopher Gage - *Director of Music*

Anthony Carrella - *Director of Christian Education*

Lisa Faso - *Office Manager*

Carol Rozmiarek - *Financial Secretary*

Leonard Robbins - *Church Custodian*

The Overbrook Quartet:

Iris Fairfax, *soprano*; Amanda Staub, *alto*;

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.***
