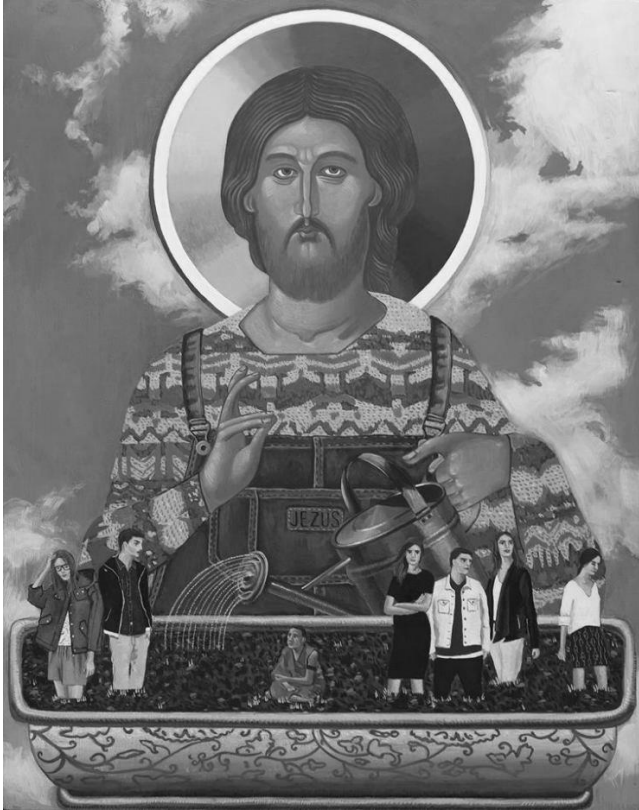


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# Overbrook Presbyterian Church

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Worship Service  
World Communion Sunday  
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
October 6, 2019  
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  
Lay Leader: Bob Harden, Jr.; Acolyte: OPC Youth  
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music  
The Overbrook Choir  
Toffer Mihalka, tenor

The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God  
by Rachel Carnahan, Jeremy Blatchley and Lillian Carnahan in honor of organ  
donors everywhere.

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, Richard Owens, Peter Seidel and Judy Williamson

### Communion Servers:

Peju Adebajo, Edelene Carroll, Terri Hunter, Sabrina Johnson,  
Robert Kaercher, Mike Rottinger, Mary Lou Ryce and Caroline Skinner

### Opener/Closer:

Jason Sheau

### Deacons Delivering Flowers:

Artia Benjamin and Mary Lou Ryce

Following worship today, please join us for Coffee Hour in the Wistar Morris  
Room. Today's coffee hour is hosted by the Deacons. 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

Communion, op. 8

Louis Vierne  
(1870-1937)

INTROIT

Communion Prayer

Eleanor Daley  
(b. 1955)

❖CALL TO WORSHIP – *An African Canticle*

Leader: All you *big* things, Bless the Lord

People: **Mount Kilimanjaro and Lake Victoria**

Leader: The Rift Valley and the Serengetti Plain

People: **Fat Baobabs and shady mango trees**

Leader: All eucalyptus and tamarind trees  
Bless the Lord

People: **Praise and extol God for ever and ever.**

Leader: All you *tiny* things, bless the Lord

People: **Busy black ants and hopping fleas**

Leader: Wriggling tadpoles and mosquito larvae

People: **Flying locusts and water drops**

Leader: Pollen dust and tsetse flies

People: **Millet seeds and dried daggaa**

Leader: Bless the Lord

All: **Praise and extol God for ever and ever.**

❖HYMN No. 388

UYAI MOSE

**Come All You People**

sung three times

first time: choir only

second and third times: all

WELCOME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Adapted from Corrymeela Community in N. Ireland*)

God of compassion and mercy,

We are your wounded and wounding children.

We bring our wounded selves, our divided society, and our broken world,  
seeking your healing and transforming grace;  
It is easy for us to point the finger at others,  
Yet we know that we all need your forgiveness;  
So we lift into your presence today,  
Not only the victims of conflicts,  
But also those we have called enemies.  
Break down the walls of hatred, distrust, and bitterness  
And open a way for us to reach one another in truth and love.  
Enable us to build a society where all can belong;  
To share our gifts in mutual respect  
And to seek for the new future which you offer us  
Through Jesus the Christ.  
Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖ GLORIA PATRI

HYMN No. 581

## HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM 148

Page 550/pew Bible

*Read in French by Amos Paul from Haiti*

- 1 Praise the LORD!  
Praise the LORD from the heavens;  
praise him in the heights!
- 2 Praise him, all his angels;  
praise him, all his host!

*Read in Mandarin by I-Mei Huang from Taiwan*

- 3 Praise him, sun and moon;  
praise him, all you shining stars!
- 4 Praise him, you highest heavens,  
and you waters above the heavens!

*Read in Tamil by Gopal Subramanian from India*

- 5 Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
for he commanded and they were created,  
6 He established them forever and ever;  
he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

*Read in Ghanian by Caroline Skinner from Ghana*

- 7 Praise the LORD from the earth,  
you sea monsters and all deeps,  
8 fire and hail, snow and frost,  
stormy wind fulfilling his commands!

*Read in Spanish by Emil Nunez from Honduras*

- 9 Mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars!  
10 Wild animals and all cattle,  
creeping things and flying birds!

*Read in Croatian by Davorka Sabljak from Croatia*

- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the earth!  
12 Young men and women alike,  
old and young together!

*Read in English by the congregation from all over God's creation:*

- 13 Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
for his name alone is exalted;  
his glory is above earth and heaven.  
14 He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his faithful,  
for the people of Israel who are close to him.  
Praise the LORD!

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

*Adam Hearlson*

*(All Children are welcome to remain in worship, should parents so wish; children in Pre-K through Grade 2 may gather in the nursery following the Time with Children.)*

SOLO

Antonín Dvořák

“Božel! Bože! Písen novou” from *Biblical Songs* (1941-1904)  
*Toffer Mihalka, tenor*

Božel! Bože! píseň novou zpívati budu Tobě na loutně a žalmy Tobě propěvovati. Na každý den dobrořečiti budu Tobě a chváliti jméno Tvé na věky věků. Hospodin jistě veliký jest a vši chvály hodný, a velikost jeho nemůž vystižena býti. O slávě a kráse a velebnosti Tvé i o věcech Tvých předivných mluviti budu. A moc přehrozných skutků Tvých všichni rozhlašovati budou. I já důstojnost Tvou budu vypravovati.	God! God! I will sing to you a new song on the lute and sing the psalms to you. I will bless you every day and praise your name for ever and ever. Surely the Lord is great and worthy of praise, and his greatness cannot be measured. Of your glory and majesty and your wondrous things I will speak, And all shall proclaim the power of your works. My voice shall tell of your glory.
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(from *Psalms 144 and 145*)

GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:11-16

Page 108/pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Good Works: Stewarding our Earth”

*Adam Hearlson*

❖ HYMN No. 822

SOMOS DEL SENOR

**When We Are Living (*Pues si vivimos*)**

You are invited to sing this hymn in Spanish or English.

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - (*Adapted from the Belhar Confession*)

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,  
the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family. And we  
believe that that this unity of the people of God  
must be manifest and active,  
in that we love one another;  
that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another,  
that we are share one baptism together,  
that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together,  
that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope, which  
is the height and the breadth and the depth  
and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

*Adam Hearlson*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER (*using Debts/Debtors*)

Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*

SHARING OF PEACE (*"The peace of Christ be with you," "And also with you"*)

OFFERING

*Ola Gjeilo*  
(b. 1978)

The Ground  
*The Overbrook Choir*

Pleni sunt caeli et terra Gloria tua.	Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Osanna in excelsis.	Hosanna in the highest.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.	Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Osanna in excelsis.	Hosanna in the highest.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,	Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
Dona nobis pacem.	Grant us peace.

*(from the Latin Mass)*

### ❖ DOXOLOGY



Praise to God the Fa - ther; praise to God the Son;



praise to God the Spi - rit: praise to the Three-in-One.



Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high.



Praise to God Al - mighty; praise to the Ho - ly One.

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

SANCTUS (sung by all)



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of po-wer and



might, hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-



-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est. —

Setting by Robert Powell (b. 1932).

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## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### FORETASTE OF THE HEAVENLY BANQUET

*Communion will be received in the pews today. There will be gluten-free bread in the center of the tray. The Deacons and Elders will bring the trays to your pew and pass it to you, first the bread and then the cup. Take the bread when it comes to you, pass the plate on, and partake of your bread when you are ready (this demonstrates how Christ comes to each of us individually). When the trays of glasses come to you, take a glass, pass on the tray, and hold the glass until all are served. Then all will drink together (this demonstrates the unity of the Church Universal).*

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Unison)

Holy Triune God, we thank you for this meal that proclaims the peace and healing of the nations. We thank you for this meal where a little is enough to change our lives; where a little is more than enough to feed those whose hearts yearn for communion in community. May this bread and fruit of the vine nourish us so that we may grow in the faith and knowledge that in you, we are one. Amen.

## SENDING FORTH

❖ HYMN No. 610

AZMON

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ CHORAL RESPONSE

George Thalben-Ball

As many as are led by the Spirit of God (1896-1987)

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

POSTLUDE

Sortie

Samuel Rousseau

(1853-1904)



## ☞ This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church ☞

Sunday, October 6	9:30 am	Adult CE Forum-Chapel
	9:30 am	Confirmation Class-Williamson Rm
	10:30 am	Worship
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	12:00 pm	New Member Meeting-Williamson Rm
	12:00 pm	Property Committee Presentation-Chapel
Monday, October 7	5:15 pm	Junior Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room
Tuesday, October 8	7:00 pm	Session
Wednesday, October 9	10:00 am	Adult Bible Study-Off Site
Thursday, October 10	6:15 pm	Handbell Rehearsal-Bell Room
	7:30 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room
Sunday, October 13	9:30 am	Adult CE Forum-Chapel
	9:30 am	Confirmation Class-Williamson Rm
	10:30 am	Worship
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	12:00 pm	Deacon Meeting-Chapel
	12:00 pm	Personnel Committee -Williamson Rm

## ☞ Looking Ahead: OPC Happenings ☞

### Today

- Reminder there is no Sunday School today because it is Communion Sunday and we welcome all children to remain in worship but should parents so wish; children in Pre-K through Grade 2 may gather in the nursery following the Time with Children
- OPC's Property Committee invites you to a Coffee Talk after worship to learn the good, the bad and the ugly of OPC's property. Grab a snack at Coffee Hour and join us in the Chapel for a conversation and slide show of the latest in OPC Property issues
- Attention Philadelphia County Voters: Councilman Curtis Jones's office and the Philadelphia Elections Board will present a demonstration this afternoon, 2 - 4 pm of the new touch screen voting machines that will be used city-wide for the first time on Election Day, November 5th. We will meet in the Wistar Morris Room. We hope you can join us!

### Wednesday, October 2

*Adult Bible Study*, 10:00 a.m., with Pastor Adam, to discuss Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudato Si* (On Care for our Common Home), which is about a Christian response to the ecological crisis. We will talk about this book for the next six weeks before attending to some advent texts. Due to parking lot construction, the Bible study will be held at Elizabeth Cosgriff's home, 251 Linden Ave., Merion Station.

## Sunday, October 13

- ◆ Adult CE Forum at 9:15 am in the Chapel. This Sunday will be the continuation of the series on Sustainability. This week's topic will be Sustainability-Ecological Conversion presented by Christy Hearlson.
- ◆ **Confirmation Class** continues at 9:30 am. It is not too late to register your child! If your child is in Grades 7-8 and is interested in confirmation, please contact Adam at [adam@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:adam@overbrookpresb.org).
- ◆ We will be celebrating the baptism of Grace Marshall, the daughter of Ashley and Eric Marshall and sister of Jack Marshall during worship on Sunday, October 13.

## Saturday, October 19: *Taste of Overbrook – starting at 6pm*

What do VIP tickets to Bob Dylan, an evening with celebrity chefs at Borgata, and a pizza pool party all have in common? They are just a few of the AMAZING auction items that will be available at this year's TASTE OF OVERBROOK feast and fundraiser. Come experience foods representing the vast array of ethnic backgrounds of the Overbrook church community while helping to raise money for our ministries and education programs.

Bring a friend! All ages welcome. Get your tickets TODAY at Coffee Hour, or register online at <http://overbrookpresb.org/ToO19.php>.

### *Want to be involved with Taste of Overbrook?*

**To donate a dish and show off your heritage:** Sign up at coffee hour or contact Carol Rozmiarek at [carol@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:carol@overbrookpresb.org)

**To donate an auction item:** If you have a talent that you can contribute—gardening, sewing, pottery, gardening, cooking—we would love to auction off your talent. If your employer, neighbor, or business that you frequent would like to contribute, as well, we gladly accept donations. Contact Will Schick for more information.

**To volunteer:** Contact a member of your stewardship committee: Davorka Sabljak, Will Schick, Karen Wong, Keedra Carroll, Jason Sheau, Janet Bowker. We need help with setup and cleanup.

## Saturday, October 26

Junior "Goblin" Bowling, October 26, 2:30-4:30 PM, Wynnewood Lanes All children in Pre-K through Grade 5 are invited for an afternoon of bowling, pizza, and treats! Feel free to come in costume! Cost: \$10.00 per person includes ball and shoe rental. Parents and friends are welcome. RSVP: Carol Rozmiarek, [carol@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:carol@overbrookpresb.org) by Monday, October 21.

## Sunday, October 27

Heritage Sunday will be celebrated this Sunday – This will be our 130<sup>th</sup> year of founding. We will be honoring those members of OPC that have been with us for 25 or more years.

## General Announcements

The 2019 Nominating Committee has met and mapped out their plans for their work this fall. It is important to get suggestions from the congregation regarding who you think would be good candidates for Elder, Deacon or next year's Nominating Committee members-at-large. Nominating Forms are included in this week's bulletins and available on the OPC web site and for the next 3 weeks. The deadline for submitting suggestions is **Friday, October 18**. Feel free to email or call Raelyn Harman, [raelynkay@aol.com](mailto:raelynkay@aol.com), 610-331-8972 with questions or the names of people you think we should consider.

Please keep us in your prayers as we continue our prayerful discernment.

Raelyn Harman, *Chairwoman*, Larry McGhee, *Vice-Chairman*, Sabrina Johnson, *Deacon Representative*, Alyce Marsh, Solomon Hunter, Davorka Sabljak, Jason Sheau *Congregational Representatives At-Large*: and Pastor Adam, *Ex-Officio Member*.



We are still in need of Coffee Hour Hosts for the following Sundays: **October 27 and November 17**. All ages can participate. There is a Sign-Up Genius online; it can be found on the OPC home page under the heading "Sunday Morning Schedule, Coffee Hour." Remember to keep it simple. Folks are always present to lend a hand. Coffee hour is a cherished tradition at OPC, and hosts are heaped with gratitude by this congregation. For more information, please contact Peggy Kaercher at 610-642-2906 or Pat Ogundele at 610-668-1309.



**Chancel Flowers.** If anyone is interested in dedicating in honor of or in memory of the Sunday Chancel Flowers please see the sign up in the Wistar Morris Room. The cost of the flowers is \$35.00. The following dates are available **October 27 and November 17, 24.**



Ask and you shall receive! Many people have requested copies of **Adam's sermons**, and they are now available weekly. If you would like to receive copies of Adam's sermons on a weekly basis, please email Lisa in the office and let her know.

## Sermon Notes

## Prayer List

- ◆ Angelica Porro and her family on the death of her grandfather, David.
- ◆ A small graveside service was held at Washington Crossing National Cemetery last Friday, October 4, for family and friends of Elaine Steindl (Janet Bowker's mother). Please keep Janet and family in your prayers.
- ◆ High school seniors have begun to apply for college.
- ◆ Ed Harvey is doing better but is still facing some major dental work. He is grateful for all the prayers.
- ◆ John Nathaniel continues to recover from a stroke. John is walking more than 20 yards without a cane!
- ◆ Erin Harris, a friend of the Taussig-Lux family, will participate in a clinical trial for an aggressive form of cancer
- ◆ Lynn Pompa is recovering from total knee replacement.
- ◆ Pat, friend of Ginny Leagans, is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- ◆ Margaret Young's son Keith has been diagnosed with cancer.
- ◆ Diane, Laurie Geer's sister, has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.
- ◆ Julie Hearlson, Adam's stepmother, has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer.
- ◆ Brad Biedermann's stepfather, Lou, has been diagnosed with spine cancer and recently started radiation treatment.
- ◆ Bruce Gillette is undergoing more rounds of chemotherapy before preparing for a bone marrow transplant.
- ◆ Ellen Burr is experiencing ongoing medical concerns.

*Please contact Mike Rottinger ([mike.rottinger@comcast.net](mailto:mike.rottinger@comcast.net))  
or the Church Office to add names to the prayer list.*

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The Overbrook Quartet:

Iris Fairfax, soprano; Anthony Carrella, alto;

Toffer Mihalka, tenor; Matthew Lulofs, bass

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

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