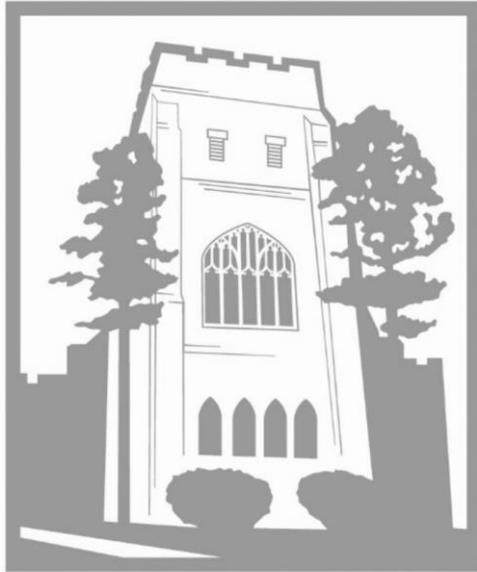

Overbrook Presbyterian Church



Worship Service
Communion Sunday
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
September 1, 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. Laura Colee, Guest Pastor
Lay Leader: Rachel Carnahan; Acolyte: OPC Youth
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music
Matthew Lulofs, baritone

The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God
by Raelyn and Gopal Subramanian in celebration of their 27th anniversary.

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:

Robert Harden Jr., Davorka Sabljak, Aimerie Scherluebbe, Will Schick,
Trudy Sheau and Kevin Davis

Communion Servers:

Calvin Marshall, Nancy Gilhool, and Deb Rottinger

Opener/Closer:
Larry McGhee

Deacons Delivering Flowers:
Brad Biedermann and Carol Tulba

Following worship today, please join us for Coffee Hour in the Wistar Morris Room. We would like to thank Phil Sheau for hosting today's coffee hour. 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

Théodore Dubois
(1837-1924)

❖CALL TO WORSHIP – *Adapted from Psalm 136*

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

People: **The steadfast love of the Lord endures forever.**

Leader: It is God who remembered us in our low estate.

People: **The steadfast love of the Lord endures forever.**

Leader: It is God who gives food to all beings.

People: **The steadfast love of the Lord endures forever.**

Leader: O give thanks to the God of heaven.

All: **The steadfast love of the Lord endures forever.**

❖HYMN No. 611

HYMN TO JOY

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

WELCOME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we are not at peace with others or with ourselves. We try to fill the holes in our lives with empty and fleeting things. We prioritize our own status and connections over the work of your kingdom. We bring to you now all that tears us apart: anger in our families and friend groups, violence in the world, hatred within our own conflicted hearts. In your mercy, mend us, and put us back together. Send your Spirit to bring us closer to neighbors and strangers alike. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖GLORIA PATRI

HYMN No. 581

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT

Psalm 81:1,10-16

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Laura Colee

(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 commissioning of youth.)

SOLO

W. G. Hammond

O Lord, Thy Boundless Love to Me

(1874-1945)

Matthew Lulofs, baritone

O Lord, Thy boundless love to me,
No thought can reach, no tongue declare,
O knit my thankful heart to Thee,
And reign without a rival there.
Thine, wholly Thine alone, I am,
Be Thou alone my constant flame.

O grant that nothing in my soul
May dwell, but Thy pure love alone:
O may Thy love possess me whole,
My joy, my treasure and my crown.

O Love! how cheering is thy way,
All pain before thy presence flies,
Care, anguish, sorrow melt away,
Where'er thy healing beams arise,
O Jesus, be Thou my guide and friend,
That I may love Thee without end.

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 14: 1, 7-14

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“The Feast”

Laura Colee

❖HYMN No. 525

LET US BREAK BREAD

Let Us Break Bread Together

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - *(Brief Statement of Faith)*

We trust in Jesus Christ,
Fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Amen.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Rachel Carnanhan

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

Frederic Woodman Root

Shepherd, Show Me How to Go (1846-1916)

Matthew Lulofo, baritone arr. Ernest Guirard

❖ DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 607

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

❖ 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 pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -



san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high-est.



Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high-est, ho - san-na in the high-est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

FORETASTE OF THE HEAVENLY BANQUET

Communion will be received by intinction. Please come forward as directed by the ushers to the two stations, take the bread, dip it into the cup, and partake. Those physically unable to come forward should notify an usher and will be served in the pew.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION-(Unison)

Loving and merciful God,
You formed us in your image,
you breathed into us the breath of life,
you delivered us from captivity,
you made a covenant promise with us to be our faithful God
and spoke truth to us through the prophets.
We give you thanks for your Son,
who continues to mold us
and who welcomes us to this Table
as we seek to become the people you are calling us to be.
As this bread and cup are nourishment to us,
send us to nourish your world. Amen.

❖HYMN No. 526

LINSTEAD

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

SENDING FORTH

❖BENEDICTION

❖CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

HYMN No. 541, stanza 1

God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

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

POSTLUDE

Praeludium in A minor

Johann Ludwig Krebs
(1713-1780)



Today we welcome the **Rev. Laura Colee**. Laura is Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church USA and serves as the Pastor at Broad Street Ministry. Laura completed her undergraduate work at Northwestern University where she double majored in History and Religious Studies. She received her Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary. She currently teaches a section of the Bible 101 course at Eastern University. She is a lover of all things Hebrew Bible, social justice, and Philadelphia. Laura and her husband Eric live in the Port Richmond neighborhood of Philadelphia.

☞ This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church ☞

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| Sunday, September 1 | 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour |
| Tuesday, September 3 | 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee-Williamson Rm |
| Wednesday, September 4 | 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Website Task Mtg-Williamson Rm |
| Thursday, September 5 | 6:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal-Bell Room 6:45 p.m. Congregational Life Committee 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room |
| Friday, September 6 | 1:30 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive |
| Saturday, September 7 | 8:00 a.m. Men's' Group- Chapel |
| Sunday, September 8 | <i>Kickoff Sunday</i> 9:30 a.m. Inquirers Class-Chapel 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour |

☞ Looking Ahead: OPC Happenings ☞

Wednesday, September 4

Adult Bible Study, 10:00 a.m., with Pastor Adam. He will be discussing Genesis 16.

Sunday, September 1

There will be no *Adult Christian Education Forum* on Sunday, September 1, due to Labor Day. Adult CE Forum will resume on *Sunday, September 22* with Pastor Adam discussing The State of the Church in America.

Friday, September 6

Red Cross Blood Drive. It's time to join the life-saving journey! You can save time and pre-register by visiting www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass, or you can simply schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Rottinger or Suchita Fiorillo or call the church office.

Sunday, September 8, and Sunday, September 15

got questions?

We are holding an Inquirer class for all those who are discerning membership at Overbrook Presbyterian Church at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel. If you have questions about the church, its theology, how it makes decisions, and what membership means, you are invited to these two meetings. The first meeting will provide an overview of the church, its history, and membership expectations; there will be ample time for questions. The second class will be an opportunity to meet each other and to talk about what brought us to OPC and how everyone might get involved in the life of the congregation. So, whether you have been a longtime friend of the church or you are brand-new, come and be a part of this class. Childcare can be provided if needed. If you should require childcare please email Lisa at office@overbrookpresb.org by Wednesday, September 4.

Monday, September 9

Everyone is welcome to the next meeting of the OPC book club at 7:30 p.m. at Raelyn Harmon's home. We will discuss Anthony Doerr's book *All the Light We Cannot See*. Please let Raelyn know if you are coming."

General Announcements ❧

*Confirmation
Class* 

Confirmation 2019-2020

As Summer turns to Autumn, it is time to begin our bi-annual confirmation class! Is your child in 7th or 8th grade? Are they interested in an experiential class that discusses our faith tradition and how it connects to the world? Are they interested in a capstone trip where we will tour places where faith has made a difference in this country? If your child is interested in confirmation, please contact Adam at adam@overbrookpresb.org. The class will begin October 6. Details about the confirmation will be sent to parents very soon.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

Mission & Outreach will start September with One Great Hour of Sharing. OGHS is a Presbyterian ministry with a trinity of

missions - self-development of people, disaster relief, and hunger relief. Your donations help to support each of these missions equally or as you designate. Your donations are used locally and around the world to support those who need it most. Look for more details on how you can help in the September 8, bulletin.



We are still in need of Coffee Hour Hosts for the following Sundays: September 8, 15, 22 and 29. All ages can participate. There is a sign-up genius on the website; it can be found on the 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. Thank you!



Chancel Flowers

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 September 15, 22, and 29, and October 6.



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, indicating if you would like a hard copy or one via email.

APPORTIONMENT

Each year our church is assessed for the administrative cost of being a part of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The assessment is based on the number of church members on the rolls. Overbrook's 2019 share is \$11,846.25, or \$29.25 per member.

Please help us defray this expense by writing a check payable to Overbrook Presbyterian Church for all church members in your family (including children who have been confirmed). Write "apportionment" on the memo line. You can

mail your check to the church office (6376 City Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19151) or leave it in the offering plate any Sunday.

If you'd prefer to use a credit card, you can scan this QR code below or click on the Apportionment button on our webpage. Either one will take you to our PayPal where you can make your donation with a credit card—it's set up for \$30, \$60, \$90, or other amount, depending on how many church members are in your family. The extra 75 cents is to help cover the credit card processing fees.



Thank you for your generosity!

Prayer List

- ◆ Bette and Ron Homer's daughter, Allison, is marrying Jacob Speil on Saturday, September 7th in Buxton, Hatteras Island, North Carolina
- ◆ Pat, friend of Ginny Leagans, is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- ◆ Sharon Parker is home recovering from back surgery. She welcomes visitors!
- ◆ 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, is in severe and constant pain from rheumatoid arthritis.
- ◆ Ed Harvey is doing better but still is experiencing health concerns and he is grateful for all the prayers.
- ◆ Bruce Gillette had a transfusion and is preparing for another round of chemotherapy before undergoing a bone marrow transplant.
- ◆ John Nathaniel continues to recover from a stroke.
- ◆ Ellen Burr is experiencing ongoing medical concerns.

Please contact Mike Rottinger to add names to the prayer list.

Mike can be reached by email (mike.rottinger@comcast.net).

You can also leave a message with the Church Office.

OPC SESSION MEMBERS:

Adam Hearlson, Moderator

Sara Davis, Clerk of Session; Stephanie Morris, Treasurer

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Class of 2019

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Raelyn Harman**

Larry McGhee

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Becky Lazo

Will Schick**

Karen Wong**

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Aimerie Scherluebbe**

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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.***
