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# Overbrook Presbyterian Church

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Worship Service  
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 29, 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: Amos Paul; Acolyte: OPC Youth  
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music  
The Overbrook Choir  
Iris Fairfax, soprano

## The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God

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., Davorika Sabljak, Aimerie Scherluebbe, Will Schick,  
Trudy Sheau, and Kevin Davis.

Opener/Closer:  
Marlin Newsome

Deacons Delivering Flowers:  
Nancy Gilhool and Suchita Fiorillo

Following worship today, please join us for Coffee Hour  
in the Wistar Morris Room in celebration of Leonard Sloan's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.  
We would like to thank the Deacons for hosting today's coffee hour.  
All are welcome!

The cover artwork, titled Last Judgment, was painted by Fra Angelico (1395-1455), an Italian artist revered by his contemporaries for his piety and artistry. He was a leader in the painting genre of "Sacred Conversations," which depicted Mary and Jesus among the saints in a relatively informal setting, as if to invite the audience to participate in a shared experience.

*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

Alexandre Guilmant  
Communion in A flat (1837-1911)

INTROIT

George Thalben-Ball  
O Lord, let us worship and bow down (1896-1987)

❖CALL TO WORSHIP – *from George Herbert (1593-1633)*

Leader: Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:

People: **Such a way as gives us breath;**

Leader: Such a truth as ends all strife;

People: **Such a life as killeth death.**

Leader: Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:

People: **Such a light as shows a feast;**

Leader: Such a feast as mends in length;

People: **Such a strength as makes his guest.**

Leader: Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:

People: **Such a joy as none can move;**

Leader: Such a love as none can part;

All: **Such a heart as joys in love.**

❖HYMN No. 644

ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN  
**Give Thanks, O Christian People**

WELCOME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION – *From A New Zealand Prayer Book*

We need your healing, merciful God;

Give us true repentance.

Some sins are plain to us;

some escape us,

some we cannot face.

Forgive us;

set us free to hear your word to us;

set us free to serve you.



born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and 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.

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

*Adam Hearlson*

MINUTE FOR MISSION

*One Great Hour of Sharing*

## SERVICE OF WHOLENESS AND HEALING

INVITATION TO HEALING

*Adam Hearlson*

LITANY OF HEALING

Leader: God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;

People: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;

People: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

People: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;

People: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole;

People: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

People: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

People: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;  
 People: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**  
 Leader: Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;  
 People: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**  
 Leader: Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;  
 People: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**  
 Leader: You are the Lord who does wonders:  
 People: **You have declared your power among the peoples.**  
 Leader: With you, O Lord, is the well of life:  
 People: **And in your light we see light.**  
 Leader: Hear us, O Lord of life:  
 People: **Heal us, and make us whole.**

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING WITH OIL

*Those present may come forward to be anointed with oil; you may also be anointed in your pew.  
 This practice, informed by Scripture, is another external sign of the internal promise that God has made to us through Jesus Christ and by the Holy Spirit.*

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 arr. William L. Dawson  
(1899-1990)  
 I Wan’ To Be Ready  
*The Overbrook Choir*  
*Anthony Carrella, countertenor*  
*Matthew Lulofs, baritone*

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I wan’ to be ready  
 To walk in Jerusalem just like John.  
 John said the City was just four square  
 An’ he declared he’d meet me there.  
 I ain’-a been to heaven but I’ve been told  
 that the gates are pearl an’ the streets are gold.  
 You say your Lord has set you free,  
 Why don’ you let your neighbor see?  
 I never shall forget the day  
 When Jesus washed my sins away.

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*African-American Spiritual*

❖DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 605



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 - might - y; praise to the Ho - ly One.

❖PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING FORTH

❖HYMN No. 767

SAN ANSELMO

Together We Serve

❖BENEDICTION

❖CHORAL RESPONSE

Eleanor Daley

O God, who has called us

(b. 1957)

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

POSTLUDE

Praeludium in F

Johann Ludwig Krebs

(1713-1780)



## ☞ This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church ☞

Sunday, September 29	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	12:00 pm	Confirmation Parents Meeting-Williamson Rm
Monday, September 30	5:15 pm	Junior Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room
	6:30 pm	Worship & Music Committee-Williamson Rm
Tuesday, October 1	7:00 pm	Finance Meeting via Zoom
Wednesday, October 2	10:00 am	Adult Bible Study-Off Site
Thursday, October 3	6:15 pm	Handbell Rehearsal-Bell Room
	7:30 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room
Saturday, October 4	8:00 am	Men's Group-Chapel.
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

## ☞ Looking Ahead: OPC Happenings ☞

### Today

- One Great Hour of Sharing offering continues. If you need an envelope or would like more information on OGHS, please see the table outside the Wistar Morris Room. 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. They are used locally and around the world to help those who need it most.
- Sunday School for children in Grades Pre-K to 6 will be dismissed to right after Time with Children.
- Today's coffee hour will be in honor of Leonard Sloan's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. All are welcome to join us in the Wistar Morris Room following worship to celebrate Leonard.
- Following coffee hour, at 12:00 p.m. in the Williamson Room, there will be an informational parents' meeting for those whose children will be joining the confirmation class this year.

### Wednesday, October 2

*Adult Bible Study*, 10:00 a.m., with Pastor Adam, to discuss Genesis 22. Due to parking lot construction, the Bible study will be held at Elizabeth Cosgriff's home, 251 Linden Ave., Merion Station.

## Sunday, October 6

◆ Adult CE Forum at 9:15 am in the Chapel with Pastor Adam. This Sunday will be the start of a four part series on Sustainability. This week's topic will be Sustainability-Becoming an Earth Care Congregation presented by Gretchen Boger and Kadie Whalen.

◆ **Confirmation Class** begins on October 6 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).

## Saturday, October 19: *Taste of Overbrook*

You don't want to miss the Annual Taste of Overbrook! Come and share foods and desserts from different heritages and have a chance to win great auction items. The event begins at 6:00 p.m., and the live auction begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 per person (\$10 for children under 10) and \$75 per family. You can purchase them at coffee hour or on our web site, [www.overbrookpresb.org](http://www.overbrookpresb.org), following the link under "Upcoming Events." Our goal is to raise \$10,000 for this year's confirmation class trip to historic civil rights sites.

### *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.



## 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**. 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.

## Prayer List

- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Ed Harvey is doing better but still is experiencing health concerns and he is grateful for all the prayers.
- ◆ Bruce Gillette is undergoing more rounds of chemotherapy before preparing for a bone marrow transplant.
- ◆ John Nathaniel continues to recover from a stroke.
- ◆ Ellen Burr is experiencing ongoing medical concerns.

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

## Sermon Notes

## OPC SESSION MEMBERS:

Adam Hearlson, Moderator

Sara Davis, Clerk of Session; Stephanie Morris, Treasurer

\*\* indicates second consecutive term

Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
Jeffrey Bowker**	Rachel Carnahan**	Elaine Blodgett
Raelyn Harman**	Kevin Davis	Herbert Brabham
Larry McGhee	Becky Lazo	Elizabeth Mendoza
Deborah Rottinger	Will Schick**	Richard Owens
Eileen Wiggins	Karen Wong**	Aimerie Scherluebbe**

## OPC DEACONS:

Mike Rottinger, Moderator, Board of Deacons

Brad Biedermann, Treasurer; Jill Van Rawley, Secretary

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Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
Artia Benjamin	Peju Adebajo	Nancy Elmore
Suchita Fiorillo	Brad Biedermann**	Nancy Gilhool
Angie Goodall**	Sabrina Johnson**	Terri Hunter**
Michael Rottinger**	Alan Sigler	Mary Lou Ryce
Nickie Stokes	Jill Van Rawley	Carol Tulba**

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The Rev. Dr. Adam Hearlson - *Designated Pastor*

The Rev. David McMillan - *Pastor Emeritus*

Dr. Christopher Gage - *Director of Music*

Lisa Faso - *Office Manager*

Carol Rozmiarek - *Financial Secretary*

Leonard Robbins - *Church Custodian*

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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