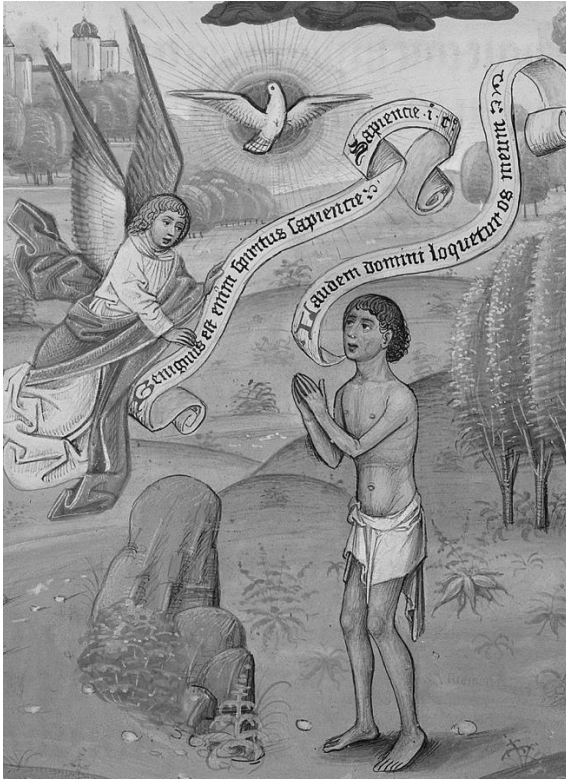

Overbrook Presbyterian Church



Worship Service
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 15, 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: Raelyn Harman; 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

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:

Phil Sheau, Tyrone Frisby, Ron Homer, Jane Krumrine, Jim McDaniel
Carol Tulba and Sean Whalen

Opener/Closer:
Herb Brabham

Deacons Delivering Flowers:
Jill VanRawley and Nickie Stokes

Following worship today, please join us for Coffee Hour in the Wistar Morris Room. We would like to thank Keedra Carroll-Goodwin, Alyce Marsh and Edelene Carroll for 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

Veni Creator en taille à 5

Nicolas de Grigny
(1672-1703)

INTROIT

Praise ye the Lord!

Donald Cashmore
(1926-2013)

❖CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come and worship, all you who long to serve the Lord

People: outsiders and insiders,

Leader: old-timers and new-comers,

People: the young, old, and the in-between.

Leader: Come as you are, alone or with your loved ones,

People: for this is God's house—a house of grace and compassion,

Leader: A house of mercy and supplication.

All: You are always welcome in God's house.

❖HYMN No. 667

LAUDES DOMINI

When Morning Gilds the Skies

WELCOME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION - *from Thom Shuman*

Rock of our salvation,

we know the faults try to hide from you and others.

We have not cared for all people in the same way.

We do think some are more gifted, or better, or prettier.

We are more willing to rejoice with someone,
than to suffer with another.

We are not sure the prisoners should be set free,
or the poor given hope.

Redeemer of all people, forgive us.

Anoint us with your Spirit's power

so our eyes might be opened and our ears freed

to listen to what Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior,

teaches us about your love and grace for our lives.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖GLORIA PATRI

HYMN No. 581

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 31:1-6 Page 75/pew Bible
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

TIME WITH CHILDREN *Adam Hearlson*
(Following Time with Children, students in Pre-K through Grade 6 will depart for Sunday School.)

SOLO Frederick C. Silvester
 Spirit of God (1901-1966)
 Toffer Mihalka, tenor

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art,
And make me love Thee as I ought to love,

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,
No sudden rending of the veil of clay,
No angel visitant, no opening skiles,
But take the dimness of my soul away.

Has though not bid me love Thee, God and King?
All, all thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind?
I see Thy Cross, there teach my heart to cling,
O let me seek Thee, and O let me find.

Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love,
One holy passion filling all my frame;
The baptism of the heaven-descended Dove;
My heart an altar, and Thy love the flame.

George Croly, 1954

SERMON

“Good Work: Stewarding our Gifts”

Adam Hearlson

❖HYMN No. 317

MC KEE

In Christ There Is No East or West

❖AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - *from South African Worshipping Communities*

Leader: It is not true that this world and its inhabitants are doomed to die and be lost;

All: This is true: for God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in him shall not die, but have everlasting life.

Leader: It is not true that we must accept inhumanity and discrimination, hunger and poverty, death and destruction;

All: This is true: I have come that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

Leader: It is not true that violence and hatred shall have the last word, and that war and destruction have come to stay forever;

All: This is true: for to us a child is born, to us a son is given, in whom authority will rest, and whose name will be Prince of Peace.

Leader: It is not true that we are simply victims of the powers of evil that seek to rule the world;

All: This is true: To me is given authority in heaven and on earth, and lo, I am with you always, to the end of the world.

Leader: It is not true that we have to wait for those who are specially gifted, who are the prophets of the church, before we can do anything;

All: This is true: I will pour out my Spirit on all people, and your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your young people shall see visions, and your old folk dream dreams.

Leader: It is not true that our dreams of liberation of humankind, our dreams of justice, of human dignity, of peace, are not meant for this earth and its history;

All: This is true: The hour comes, and it is now, that true worshippers shall worship God in Spirit and in truth.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Adam Hearlson

MINUTE FOR MISSION

One Great Hour of Sharing
Mary Lou Ryce-Prayer Shawl Ministry

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

arr. John Carter
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (b. 1930)
The Overbrook Choir

❖ 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 - mighty; praise to the Ho - ly One.

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING FORTH

❖ HYMN No. 408

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in the Air

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ CHORAL RESPONSE

George Thalben-Ball

Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee (1896-1987)

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

POSTLUDE

Nicolas de Grigny

Dialogue sur les grands jeux (*Veni Creator*) (1672-1703)



The cover artwork, *Man Praying to the Holy Spirit*, was painted by Willem Vrelant, a fifteenth-century Dutch book illuminator. The earliest extant example of such an illustration, also called miniature, dates from the third century, and the process persisted, in various regions and styles, into the eighteenth century. Thousands of illuminations from the Middle Ages survive to the present day; in fact, one book of hours that Vrelant produced now resides in Baltimore.

☞ This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church ☞

Sunday, September 15	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	12:00 pm	Christian Education Committee-Chapel
Monday, September 16	1:30 pm	Prayer Shawl-Williamson Room
	5:15 pm	Junior Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room
	7:00 pm	Prayer Shawl-Williamson Room
Wednesday, September 18	10:00 am	Adult Bible Study-Off Site
Thursday, September 19	6:15 pm	Handbell Rehearsal-Bell Room
	7:30 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room
Friday, September 20	6:30 pm	Women's Dining Circle-Karen Wong's
Sunday, September 22	9:30 am	Adult CE Forum-Chapel
	10:30 am	Worship
	10:45 am	Children's Sunday School
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	12:00 pm	Mission & Outreach Committee

☞ 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 begins today. Children in grades Pre-K to 6th will be dismissed to Sunday School (or the nursery) right after Time with Children.

Wednesday, September 18

Adult Bible Study, 10:00 a.m., with Pastor Adam. He will be discussing Genesis 19. Due to parking lot construction, the Bible study will be held at Elizabeth Cosgriff's home, 251 Linden Ave., Merion Station.

Friday, September 20

Women's Dining Circle, will be meeting September 20, at 6:30 pm at Karen Wong's home. We are excited that over the last ten years we have supported local organizations with thousands of dollars in donations and goods collected. We continue to support our local community and this month Raelyn Harman will be our guest speaker.

Sunday, September 22

Adult CE Forum resumes next *Sunday, September 22* in the Chapel with Pastor Adam discussing The State of the Church in America.

Saturday, September 28

Joyce Bridges's Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, September 28, at 1:00 p.m. in the Mansion Ballroom at the Rosemont Presbyterian Village in Rosemont.

General Announcements



Confirmation 2019-2020

It is time to begin our bi-annual confirmation class! Following worship on September 29 in the Williamson Room, there will be an Informational Parents Meeting for those whose children will be joining the confirmation class this year. It is not too late for your child to join the class! If you 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.



We are still in need of Coffee Hour Hosts for the following Sundays: September 22, 29 and October 6. 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 September 29 and October 27.



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.

Prayer List

- ◆ Edward Allen Jarmond, Jr., nephew of Herbert Brabham, passed away a week ago at the age of 27, a victim of gun violence. Prayers are asked for the extended family and for the prevalent gun violence in York, Pa.
- ◆ Erin Harris, a friend of the Taussig-Lux family, who will be participating 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, 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 is preparing for more rounds 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.

Sermon Notes

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The Overbrook Quartet:

Iris Fairfax, soprano; Anthony Carrella, 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.
