
Overbrook Presbyterian Church



Worship Service
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 26, 2021
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

Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music

The Overbrook Choir

Matthew Lulofs, baritone

Ushers: **Phil Sheau**, Ron Homer, Jim McDaniel, Carol Tulba and Sean Whalen

Deacon Delivering Flowers: Leah Mayne

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.

Large Print Bulletins and Hymns are Available.

Please speak to one of the ushers if you have special needs.

Following worship today, please join us for Fellowship Hour in the parking lot. 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

Chant du matin

Alexandre Guilmant
(1837-1911)

INTROIT

Clap Your Hands

Eleanor Daley
(b. 1955)

BLESSING

“For Courage”
by John O’Donohue

Adam Hearlson

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Amos Paul

Leader: Come, all you people.

Come into the place where God is listening.

People: You are welcome here. You don’t need money or status here.
You don’t need to give anything.

You don’t need to speak the right words or wear the right clothes

Leader: Where you are from is no barrier here.

Where you are going is not an obstacle here.

People: You can be sick, tired, and needy.

The angry, the joyful, the indifferent and the oblivious are all
welcome here.

Leader: Come, beloved, and experience the true mystery of this faith.

All: Christ is here.

Sitting among us. Hallelujah.

The savior is among us. Hallelujah.

❖ HYMN No. 263

CORONATION

All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name

WELCOME

Adam Hearlson

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND COURAGE

Amos Paul

Leader: For failing to care for the poor.

People: **Perdón, Señor.**

Leader: For forgetting the orphan, the widow, and the refugee.

People: **Perdón, Señor.**

Leader: For taking too much.

People: **Perdón, Señor.**

Leader: For giving too little.

People: **Perdón, Señor.**

Leader: For taking the credit.

People: **Perdón, Señor.**

Leader: For failing to acknowledge the gift of others.

People: **Perdón, Señor.**

CHORAL RESPONSE

SILENT CONFESSION

EMBRACING GOD'S GRACE

Adam Hearlson

❖ GLORIA PATRI

HYMN No. 581

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Amos Paul

NEW TESTAMENT
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Luke 7:18-23

page 61/pew Bible
Amos Paul

God Welcomes All
(sung 3 times as children come forward)

God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;
God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Anthony Carrella

Following Time with Children, learners in Pre-K through Grade 6 are welcome and encouraged to recess with Anthony and volunteer teachers to our gated playground for Outdoor Sunday School. COVID-19 prevention measures are firmly in place, including masking, distancing, and vaccinated instructors.

SOLO

J. S. Bach

(1685-1750)

“Auf, auf, mit hellem Schall”
from *Auf Christi Himmelfahrt allein*
Matthew Lulofs, baritone

<p>Auf, auf, mit hellem Schall Verkündigt überall: mein Jesus sitzt zur Rechten! Wer sucht mich anzufechten? Ist er von mir genommen, Ich werd einst dahin kommen,</p>	<p>Up, up, with clarion ring proclaim everywhere: my Jesus sits at the right hand! Who seeks to tempt me? If He is taken from me, one day I will journey there,</p>
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<p>Wo mein Erlöser lebt. Mein Augen werden ihn in größter Klarheit schauen. O könnt ich im voraus mir eine Hütte bauen! Wohin? Vergebner Wunsch! Er wohnt nicht auf Berg und Tal, Sein Allmacht zeigt sich überall; So schweig, verwegner Mund; Und suche nicht dieselbe zu ergründen!</p>	<p>Where my Redeemer lives. My eyes will behold Him in greatest clarity. O could I only build a shelter beforehand! Where? Vain wish! He does not live on mountain or valley, His omnipotence is visible everywhere; so be silent, rash mouth; and do not attempt to fathom this thing!</p>
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Christiane Mariane von Ziegler (1728)

NEW TESTAMENT
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Phillippians 2:5-11

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SERMON

“Vocabulary of Faith: Christ”

Adam Hearlson

❖ HYMN No203

CHEREPONI

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*The Apostles' Creed*)

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
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.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

LIFE AT THE CROSSROADS

Adam Hearlson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharon Parker

SHARING OF PEACE

Sharon Parker

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Adam Hearlson

*(Offering boxes/baskets/plates are by the door.
We encourage you to use these in this time.)*

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING

arr. Betty Jackson King
(1928-1994)

I Want God's Heaven
The Overbrook Choir
Toffer Mihalka, tenor

Oh, I want God's heaven to be mine,
Be mine, be mine.

Oh, I want God's heaven to be mine,
Save me, Lord, save me.

I hailed to my mother,
My mother hailed to me,
And the last thing I heard her say,
She said, "Save, me Lord, save me."

I hailed to my father...

Oh, I want God's heaven...
Traditional Spiritual

❖ DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 607

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

❖PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous savior, you always who lived simply. Gracious redeemer, you never failed to help when you met a need. Take these gifts and sanctify them for the work of your kingdom. May they help as you helped. May they transform the world according to the shape of your love.

SENDING FORTH

❖HYMN No. 267

MADRID

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

❖BENEDICTION

from St. Augustine

All shall be Amen and Alleluia.
We shall see rest and we shall see,
We shall see and we shall know,
We shall know and we shall love,
We shall love and we shall praise.
Behold our end which is no end.

❖CHORAL RESPONSE

Anonymous

Amen

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

POSTLUDE

In dir ist Freude
("In thee is gladness")

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)



Happenings at Overbrook Presbyterian Church



Wednesday Bible Study

Join us of Bible study every Wednesday in person and online. The fall study is on Paul's Letter to the Romans for the fall through December. The group will be aided in their study by Beverly Roberts Gaventa's book, *When in Romans: The Gospel According to Paul*. Copies of the book are available at the church office.



October 3rd is World Communion Sunday, for Fellowship Hour we are providing a snack from different countries of the world or different states in the US. Fellowship Hour is **still grab and go inside the church**, but if the weather permits there will be seating outside in the grassy area near the parking lot to eat your snack and continue socializing

Weekly Opportunities

The Work of the Church continues, and we continue to create programming for our community.

Please note that all hyperlinks can also be found in our weekly e-news, “This Week at OPC” that is published every Friday.

- **Tuesday Women’s Prayer & Support Group—7:30 am**
Join <https://bit.ly/3yxD2F4> or call 646-558-8656,
Meeting ID: 932 4865 5338
- **Wednesday Bible Study—10:30 am**
Will resume on Wednesday, September 15 both in person and online.
Masks are required regardless of vaccination status.
To Join via zoom: [Wednesday Bible Study Zoom Link 10:30-12:00 pm](#)
- **Thursday Vigil for Racial Justice—4:00 pm-6:30 pm**
- **Saturday Morning Men’s’ Group—9:00 am**
Join <https://bit.ly/3hOXg6H> or call 646-558-8656,
Meeting ID: 920 1485 0418
- **Sunday School for Children-PreK-Grade 6**
Join us on the second, third and last Sunday of the month.
 - **Indoor -> Outdoor:** Learners may arrive at 10:30 for indoor worship, stay to the children’s message, and then walk with their teachers and leaders to the outdoor learning space.
 - **Outdoor Only:** Learners arrive at 10:45 in the OPC playground. Indoor participants will meet the outdoor participants.
 - **Inclement Weather:** Should inclement weather remain in the forecast after 9:30 AM on any given Sunday, all learning will most likely occur in an indoor, ventilated space.

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://tinyurl.com/3d9dt6dw>. Pick "Donate with a Debit or Credit Card" and follow the directions or simply scan the QR code at the bottom of the page.

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://tinyurl.com/3d9dt6dw> or simply scan the QR code at the bottom of the page. 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** 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.



Scan here to donate
with a CC without
a PayPal account



Scan here to set up
a recurring CC
donation with a
PayPal account

Prayer List

- Prayers for restoration of health and comfort for Caroline Skinner following successful kidney transplant surgery.
- Prayers for comfort for the Davis-Hotek family on the loss of Carl Davis, loving brother-in-law and uncle.
- Prayers for healing, hope and comfort for Judy Williamson as she prepares for breast cancer surgery.
- Prayers of comfort for the family of Amy Joy, cousin of Kim McDaniel.
- Prayers for strength and comfort for Ted Dillon as he continues to recover from spinal surgery.
- Prayers for healing and comfort for Patrick O'Healey as he continues to recover from spinal surgery.
- Prayers for restoration of health for the father of Stephanie Morris.
- Prayers for restoration of health for Lincoln Hollowell, father of Aimerie Scherluebbe.
- Prayers for healing, hope, and comfort for Keith Young as he continues to receive medical treatment for cancer.
- Prayers for comfort and restoration of health for Estalene Ferrillo.
- Prayers for healing, hope, and comfort for Wendy Fraser, sister of Jeremy Blatchley, as she continues medical treatment for cancer.
- Prayers for those who face on-going health challenges, especially Flossye Johnson, Susan Leach, Aqueelah Folwell, Stephanie Stokes, Judy Swartz, Ed Harvey, Ellen Burr, Marina Patino-Treat and Terri Carter.
- Prayers for Stephanie Morris and her family.
- Prayers for restoration of health and comfort for Bill Long, father of Eric Long.

*Please contact Terri Hunter (teresahunter42@gmail.com)
or Sharon Parker (sharon@overbrookpresb.org) add names to the prayer list.*

OPC SESSION MEMBERS:

Adam Hearlson, Moderator

Sara Davis, Clerk of Session; Stephanie Morris, Treasurer

** indicates second consecutive term

Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
Elaine Blodgett	Elizabeth Cosgriff	Keedra Carroll
Herbert Brabham	Bob Harden, Jr.	Kevin Davis**
Elizabeth Mendoza	Larry McGhee	Solomon Hunter
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OPC DEACONS:

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Jason Sheau, Treasurer; Mary Lou Ryce, Secretary

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Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
Nancy Gilhool	Artia Benjamin**	Peju Adebajo**
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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

Sharon Parker - Parish Care Associate

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.***
