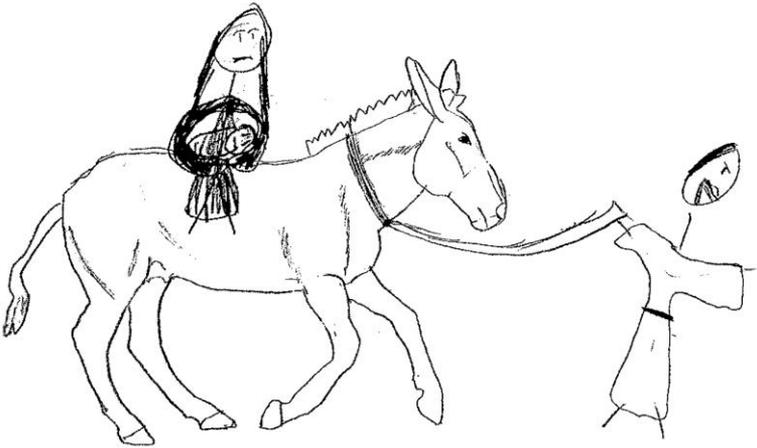


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# Overbrook Presbyterian Church

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Worship Service  
Third Sunday after Pentecost  
June 10, 2018  
10:30 a.m.

*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

Prelude and Fugue in G major Johann Ludwig Krebs

### ❖CALL TO WORSHIP- *Psalm 105*

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples.

People: Sing to him, sing praises to him;  
tell of all his wonderful works.

Leader: Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

People: Seek the Lord and his strength;  
seek his presence continually.  
Remember the wonderful works he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgments he has uttered,

Leader: O offspring of his servant Abraham,  
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

People: He is the Lord our God;  
his judgments are in all the earth.

### ❖HYMN No. 321

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

### GREETING

*Pastor Bruce Gillette*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION- (UNISON)

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer,  
we confess that we have tried to hide from you,  
for we have done wrong.

We have lived for ourselves,  
and apart from you.

We have turned from our neighbors,  
and refused to bear the burdens of others.

We have ignored the pain of the world,  
and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed.

In your great mercy forgive our sins  
and free us from selfishness,  
that we may choose your will  
and obey your commandments;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖HYMN No. 581

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

## HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT    Leviticus 19:9-10, 33-34, 23:22, 24:22 – 23

Page 102/pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SOLO

Let us cheer the weary traveler

Victor Labenske

*Iris Fairax, soprano*

RECOGNITION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

TIME WITH CHILDREN

*Pastor Carolyn Gillette*

*(Following Time with Children, students in Pre-K through  
Grade 2 will depart for Sunday School.)*

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 2:13-15

Page 2/pew Bible

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“God, Refugees and Immigrants” *Pastor Bruce Gillette*

*(Following the Sermon, students in Grades 3 through High School will depart for  
Sunday School.)*

❖HYMN

Abraham Journeyed to a New Country BUNESSAN

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2010

Traditional Gaelic Melody



1. A - bra-ham jour - neyed to a new coun - try;
2. Ma - ry and Jo - seph feared He - rod's or - der;
3. Some heard the pro - mise— God's hand would bless them!
4. Did they know hard - ship? Did they know dan - ger?
5. God, our own fam - ilies came here from far lands;



Sa - rah went with him jour - ney - ing too.  
Sol - diers were com - ing! They had to flee.  
Some fled from hun - ger, fa - mine and pain.  
Who shared a home or gave them some bread?  
We have been stran - gers, "a - li - ens" too.



Slaves down in E - gypt fled Pha - raoh's ar - my;  
Tak - ing young Je - sus, they crossed the bor - der;  
Some left a place where oth - ers op - pressed them;  
Who reached a hand to wel - come the stran - ger?  
May we reach out and of - fer a wel - come



Ruth left the home and peo - ple she knew.  
So was our Lord a young re - fu - gee.  
All trust - ed God and start - ed a - gain.  
Who saw their fear and gave hope in - stead?  
As we have all been wel - comed by you.

PRESENTATION

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH- *The Immigrant Apostles' Creed:*

I believe in Almighty God,  
who guided the people in exile and in exodus,  
the God of Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon,  
the God of foreigners and immigrants.

I believe in Jesus Christ, a displaced Galilean,  
who was born away from his people and his home, who fled  
his country with his parents when his life was in danger.

When he returned to his own country  
he suffered under the oppression of Pontius Pilate,  
the servant of a foreign power.

Jesus was persecuted, beaten, tortured, and  
unjustly condemned to death.

But on the third day Jesus rose from the dead,  
not as a scorned foreigner but to offer us citizenship in God's kingdom.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the eternal immigrant from God's kingdom among us,  
who speaks all languages, lives in all countries,  
and reunites all races.

I believe that the Church is the secure home  
for foreigners and for all believers.

I believe that the communion of saints begins  
when we embrace all God's people in all their diversity.

I believe in forgiveness, which makes us all equal before God,  
and in reconciliation, which heals our brokenness.

I believe that in the Resurrection  
God will unite us as one people  
in which all are distinct and all are alike at the same time.

I believe in life eternal, in which no one will be foreigner  
but all will be citizens of the kingdom  
where God reigns forever and ever. Amen.

*The Immigrant Apostles' Creed* was written by Rev. Jose Luis Casal, the director of  
Presbyterian World Mission. He is an immigrant to the USA from Cuba.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BAPTISM of *Isaac Taiwo And Isidora Kehinde Gosfield*

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

*Pastor Carolyn Gillette*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER-*Debts/Debtors*

Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*

SHARING OF PEACE (*"The Peace of Christ Be With You", "And Also With You"*)

OFFERING

My hope is in the everlasting  
*Iris Fairfax, soprano*

John Stainer

❖ DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 607

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

❖ HYMN No. 489

Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed PENTECOST

## SENDING FORTH

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ RESPONSE (sung by all)

HYMN No. 541, verse 1

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

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

POSTLUDE

Fuga from Sonata II

Felix Mendelssohn

# Welcome to Overbrook Presbyterian Church

We are glad you are worshipping 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. Our pastors would welcome talking with you after today's worship service or in the future.

### Leading Worship Today:

The Revs. Bruce and Carolyn Gillette, Co-Pastors

Lay Leader: Beulah Wilson

Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music

Iris Fairfax, soprano

Today's Bulletin cover is drawn by Alice Lank

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

Artia Benjamin in loving memory of Haskell Mobley, her father.

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, Kevin Trindade and Kevin Davis

### Opener/Closer:

Jason Sheau

### Deacons Delivering Flowers:

Alan Sigler and Angie Goodall

Following worship today - please join us for refreshments in the Wistar Morris Room.. If you would like to host an upcoming coffee hour, please sign up now on the sign-up board in the Wistar-Morris Room. Contact Amarilis Stricker at 484-343-0679 with questions.

## This Week at Overbrook Presbyterian Church

Sunday, June 10	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour
	12:00 p.m.	Congregational Picnic by the Deacons
Monday, June 11	7:00 p.m.	Town Hall Meeting-Sanctuary
Tuesday, June 12	7:00 p.m.	Session
Wed, June 6	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study-Chapel
Saturday, June 16	11:00 a.m.	OPC Youth Car Wash
Sunday, June 17	9:15 a.m.	Adult Forum
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	11:30 a.m.	Special Congregational Meeting
	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour
	12:00 p.m.	Deacons' Picnic



This Sunday we will be celebrating the Baptism of Isaac Taiwo and Isidora Kehinde Gosfield, son and daughter of Andrea and Alex Gosfield.



Today is the Congregational Picnic: following worship. There will be food, fellowship, live music, and games.



Special Congregational Meeting on June 17: Session has called a special meeting of the congregation to be held following worship on Sunday, June 17 to act on a motion to dissolve the co-pastoral relationship with the Reverends Bruce and Carolyn Gillette, effective June 30, 2018. We hope that all members of Overbrook who are able will attend this meeting.

**Invitation to Town Hall Information Meeting**  
**Monday June 11, 7-8 p.m. in the Sanctuary:**

With the concurrence of both the Reverends Bruce and Carolyn Gillette and the Session of Overbrook Presbyterian Church (OPC), the Presbytery of Philadelphia has been invited to lead an information meeting to listen to concerns and answer questions in preparation for the Called Congregational Meeting scheduled immediately following worship on Sunday, June 17th. The purpose of that called congregational meeting is to vote on the terms of dissolution of the pastoral relationship between OPC and the Reverends Gillettes as agreed upon by Session, the Reverends Gillettes and the Commission on Ministry on behalf of the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Questions

In preparation for the town hall meeting, we invite you to submit any questions you might have to Ruling Elder Michael Smith, Vice Moderator, Commission on Ministry (COM) or the Rev. Raymond Bonwell, OPC COM Liaison. Their email addresses are below; You can ask questions verbally at the meeting; We will have blank slips of paper at the meeting for those who may wish to submit a question in writing.

- Michael Smith [mbsmithphl@gmail.com](mailto:mbsmithphl@gmail.com)
- Rev. Raymond Bonwell, [rbonwell@pensions.org](mailto:rbonwell@pensions.org)

**PLEASE SEND YOUR QUESTIONS TO THEM BY MONDAY, JUNE 11, AT 1 PM.** We remind you that due to confidentiality, issues regarding personnel matters cannot be discussed in an open forum.

A typical question might be:

Q: Are there any allegations of charges against the Reverends Gillettes?

A: There have not been any allegations or charges against the Reverends Gillettes. If there had been, they would have immediately been placed on Administrative Leave pending investigation.

Our hope is to dispel and rumors, correct misinformation, and clarify the process. Note that no vote will be taken at the Town Hall meeting. It is for questions and discussion. We hope you will join us as together we seek to further the peace and unity of the church. Trusting that the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion and fellowship of the Holy Spirit will be with us.

*"...making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." {Ephesians 4:3}*

**Bible Study**- This week's Bible study will be at 10:30am and will be led by Pastor Carolyn. She will be teaching on Matthew 5-7 The Sermon on the Mount, the reading for Sunday, June 17.



**This Saturday Youth Mission Trip Car Wash:** Overbrook Youth will be having a car wash on Saturday, June 16 from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the church parking lot. The Car Wash will benefit this summer's youth mission trip to West Virginia. All youth, whether they are participating in the mission trip or not, are encouraged to help out with this mission fundraiser. All Overbrook car owners: Please stop by the church and support our youth, and enjoy a clean, newly washed car



**Come join us Next Sunday, June 17 at 9:15 a.m. for Adult Forum.** The next session there will be a representative from Bread for the World organization.



**Next Sunday: The Sermon on the Mount:** A Worship Service of Lessons and Songs: Our June 17 service is a wonderful way for our congregation to be inspired by Jesus' most famous sermon read by 20 church members.



**Coffee Hour Hosts are needed for the following Sundays: June 17, and July 1, 8.** Instructions for this easily accomplished, highly valued ministry are available on the OPC web site and in the church kitchen (on the microwave). For more information please contact Amarilis Stricker at 484-343-0679 or Raelyn Harman at 610-331-8972. Thank you!

**In reference to Pastor Bruce's sermon, please call :Congress: 1-844-USA-0234 / White House: 202-456-1111**

## Prayer List

- ♦ George Schick and Bernadette Blanchfield, Will Schick's son, on their recent engagement
- ♦ Mariam Ali, the mother of Farahaba Ahmed, friend of Scott Mayne, who is in the final days of her earthly life and also the family of Farahaba including her husband Dr. Saleem Ahmed during this difficult time.
- ♦ The Rev. Peter Ahn on his ordination at Olivet Covenant Presbyterian Church
- ♦ Isaac and Isidora Gosfield on their Baptism.
- ♦ Stephen and Laura Gilhool, son and daughter in law of Nancy and Vince Gilhool, congratulations on the birth of their daughter Echo Nova Gilhool and Stephen for receiving his PhD.
- ♦ Maureen, a former co-worker of Janet Lovely, recent diagnosed with liver/lung cancer.
- ♦ Ian Jamal Richie, nephew of LaToya Richie, health issues
- ♦ Patricia Ogundele recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- ♦ Dornell Guthrie recovering from knee and hand surgery.
- ♦ Joyce Bridges is recovering from eye procedure.
- ♦ Luis Wong is home and recovering from surgery from a broken hip.
- ♦ John Nathaniel is in rehab and welcomes visitors.
- ♦ DeDe Sherlock, Pat Dillon's sister, is continuing to have health issues.
- ♦ Ed Harvey is home recovering from surgery.
- ♦ Leo Miller, Vince Gilhool's nephew, is receiving cancer treatment.
- ♦ The Rev. David McMillian, OPC Pastor Emeritus, recovering from knee surgery
- ♦ Charlotte Carpenter is dealing with rheumatoid arthritis.
- ♦ Lynda Johnson is having health concerns.
- ♦ Ellen Burr has ongoing health issues.

Please contact Pastors Bruce or Carolyn to add names or concerns to this list. Bruce and Carolyn can be reached by email or cell phone. You can also leave a message in the Church Office or speak with one of them in person.

✿ Please Remember to Sign the Prayer Cards: These cards are located on the raised table in the Wistar Morris Room. We ask all church members and friends to please sign these cards before or after worship each Sunday. "You were remembered this Sunday in the prayers of the people of the Overbrook Church in Philadelphia" is the message found on prayer cards. Please contact our pastors or church office if you would like us to send a prayer card to someone.

✿ Pastoral Care & Feedback Welcome: We are grateful to people who let us know about pastoral needs in our church and community. We welcome visiting people in their homes, at work, in the hospital and at the church. We welcome the opportunity to bring home communion to anyone who would like to receive the sacrament. Please contact us by email: [pastors@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:pastors@overbrookpresb.org), or call us (Office: 215-877-2744 or Bruce's Cell: 302-528-1796 or Carolyn's Cell: 302-528-1797) if you, or someone you know, would like a visit from an Overbrook pastor. Your ideas, feedback and prayers help us all serve better together. Please see our contact information above so we can have a conversation with you. Thank you. Pastors Bruce & Carolyn Gillette

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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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