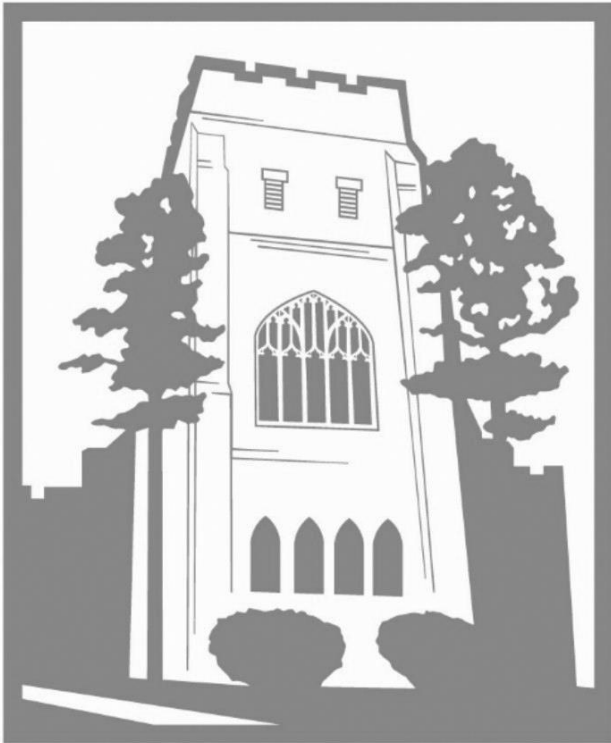


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# Overbrook Presbyterian Church

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Worship Service  
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 16, 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

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said  
Wilbur Held  
(1914-2014)

INTROIT

If anyone will follow me     George Thalben-Ball

❖CALL TO WORSHIP-(*Psalm 116*)

One: I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

Many: I called on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray, save my life!"

One: Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.

Many: Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the LORD has dealt bountifully  
with you.

All: I walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

❖HYMN No. 394

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

GREETING

Raelyn Harman

PRAYER OF CONFESSION- (*UNISON*)

God of mercy:

Help us to forgive, as you have forgiven us.

Help us to trust you, even when hope is failing.

Help us to take up our cross daily and follow you in your redeeming work.

With your help, may we be better disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord, who  
lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖GLORIA PATRI

HYMN No. 581

# HEARING THE WORD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT                                  Isaiah 50:4-9a                                  Page 640 /pew Bible  
The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

SOLO    Felix Mendelssohn  
“Lord God of Abraham,” from *Elijah*                                  (1809-1847)  
*Matthew Lulofs, baritone*

TIME WITH CHILDREN    *The Rev. Raymond Bonwell*  
(*Following the Time with Children, children in pre-K through Grade 2*  
*will depart for Sunday School*)

GOSPEL LESSON    Mark 8:27-38    Page 41/pew Bible  
The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

SERMON    *The Rev. Raymond Bonwell*  
“Knock, Knock – Who’s There?”  
(*Following the Sermon, students in Grades 3-12 will depart for Sunday School.*)

❖HYMN No. 718    BOURBON  
**Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said**

❖AFFIRMATION OF FAITH- (Westminster Confession of Faith, 6.047)

The Lord Jesus, by his perfect obedience and sacrifice of himself, which he through the eternal Spirit once offered up unto God, hath fully satisfied the justice of his Father; and purchased not only reconciliation, but an everlasting inheritance in the kingdom of heaven, for all those whom the Father hath given unto him.

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

*Raelyn Harman*

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

These are they that follow the Lamb  
*The Overbrook Choir*

John Goss  
(1800-1880)

❖ DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 607

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

❖ HYMN (on next page)

**Praise to the Holiest in the Height**

NEWMAN

John Henry Newman (1801-1890), alt.

Newman

Richard Runciman Terry (1865-1938)

1. Praise to the Ho - liest in the height,  
2. O lov - ing wis - dom of our God!  
3. O wis - est love! that flesh and blood,  
4. Praise to the Ho - liest in the height,

and in the depth be praise;  
When all was sin and shame,  
which did in Ad - am fail,  
and in the depth be praise;

in all his words most won - der - ful,  
a sec - ond Ad - am to the fight  
should strive a - fresh a - gainst the foe,  
in all his words most won - der - ful,

most sure in all his ways!  
and to the res - cue came.  
should strive, and should pre - vail.  
most sure in all his ways!

## SENDING FORTH

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ CHORAL RESPONSE

Donald Cashmore

Gracious is the Lord

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

POSTLUDE

Postlude in F

Christian Cappelen  
(1845-1916)



**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. Raymond Bonwell  
Lay Leader: Raelyn Harman, Acolyte: Nora Whalen  
Dr. Christopher Gage, Director of Music  
Matthew Lulofs, baritone  
The Overbrook Choir

**The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God**  
by Olga Hoggard in thanks to the Board of Deacons and friends for your recognition of my birthday.

**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:**  
Buck Scott

**Deacons Delivering Flowers:**  
Alan Sigler and Angie Goodall

Following worship today, please join us for Coffee Hour 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, September 16	11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour 12:00 p.m. Christian Education-Chapel
Monday, September 17	5:00 p.m. Junior Choir
Tuesday, September 18	7:00 p.m. Urban Suburban Book Club-Chapel
Wednesday, September 19	10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Chapel
Sunday, September 23	9:15 a.m. Adult Forum 10:30 a.m. Worship Service <i>Sunday School</i> 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour 12:00 p.m. Mission & Outreach Committee

### ☛ Sunday School Begins Today,

-Children in Pre-K through Grade 2 will begin class immediately following *Time with Children*. Their teachers will greet them in the hallway outside of the Sanctuary and escort them to their classrooms. Classrooms for our young learners are located on the second floor of Fellowship Hall and are marked with grade level signs. Parents are asked to pick up children in their classrooms following worship.

-Students in Grade 3 through 12 will begin class following the sermon. Their teachers will welcome them in the hallway outside of the Sanctuary and guide them to their classrooms. Upper grades classes will meet on the second floor of Fellowship Hall and in the Chapel. Classes begin at approximately 11:15 and extend until noon.



☞ **Junior Choir Rehearsals Begin This Week!** We are very excited to start the Junior Choir season this week. Rehearsals will take place on **Mondays from 5:15 to 6:00 p.m.**, with dinner to follow. If your child or a young person you know (aged 7-12) likes to sing, the Junior Choir is a great opportunity for them to learn about music, participate in worship, and, of course, have fun. For those for whom transportation is an issue, we are working to set up carpools to make sure that everyone can get to rehearsal. For more information, please contact our Director of Music, Dr. Christopher Gage, at [music@overbrookpresb.org](mailto:music@overbrookpresb.org).

☞ Coffee Hour Hosts are needed for the following Sundays this month: September 23 and 30.

☞ **Wednesday Morning Bible Study at 10:00 a.m.** *-(Please note the new start time)* with The Rev. Raymond Bonwell in the chapel. This week will be an overview of the Old Testament focusing on Joshua, Judges and Ruth. Preparation suggested and not required. Suggested reading: *Ruth 1-4*. All are welcome.

☞ **Sunday Morning Adult Forum at 9:15 a.m.** - with The Rev. Raymond Bonwell in the chapel. Topic for discussion for Sunday, September 23 will be the perspectives on forgiveness, healing and reconciliation and on Sunday, September 30 we will welcome the leaders of the Philadelphia Presbytery to Adult Forum and continue discussing the perspectives on forgiveness, healing and reconciliation. All are welcome.

☞ **Looking Ahead:**

- **Next Sunday, September 23**, worship service readings will be Jeremiah 11:18-20, James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a.

- **Sunday, September 30** we will welcome the leaders of the Philadelphia Presbytery to join us for Adult Forum, then they will be with us for worship, which will include a healing service in the tradition of fifth Sundays of the month at Overbrook. Finally, please join with Presbytery leaders in fellowship and conversation at noon, following the worship service and Sunday school.

☞ Taste of Overbrook Tickets-will be on sale during Coffee Hour. Cost is \$30-Adult, \$10-Child (12 and under) and \$75-Family. Taste of Overbrook is on Saturday, October 20 starting at 6:30 p.m.

☞ OPC Youth Kick-off...September 30! -It's time for OPC Youth, grades 6-12, to meet, eat, have fun...and plan a year of adventure and service. We'll meet in the Chapel from 5:00-7:00 P.M. on September 30. This will be a year of "choose your own adventure; discover your personal mission." Dinner will be the official "OPC Youth pasta/salad/pizza buffet," served with a wide variety of exciting program opportunities for all age groups! Guests are always welcome! RSVP Sharon Parker ([sparker614@gmail.com](mailto:sparker614@gmail.com)) by September 27.

☞ Donations and offerings may be made online at: [www.overbrookpresb.org](http://www.overbrookpresb.org). Click on the yellow "Donate" button.

## Prayer List

- ◆ Christina Vito, co-worker of Artia Benjamin, and her family, having health issues.
- ◆ Max Mason's mother Betty Fletcher, is in hospice care.
- ◆ Sabrina Johnson's uncle is recovering from surgery and recently diagnosed with Parkinson disease.
- ◆ Pat Dillon and her family as they attend the memorial service for DeDe Sherlock this past weekend.
- ◆ Lynn Pompa recovering at home from back surgery.
- ◆ Valerie Williams, Sabrina Johnson's aunt, is starting treatment for breast cancer.
- ◆ Sandy Niccoli, Jim Vagnoni's sister, Jim Vagnoni's sister is back home in California in a "step down" skilled nursing facility.
- ◆ Luis Wong and his caregivers for his many ongoing challenges.
- ◆ John Nathaniel is at home recovering.
- ◆ Ellen Burr has moved to the medical section at the Quadrangle, her new apartment number is 8350 and her updated phone number is 610-658-7570.

*Please contact Mike Rottinger for any pastoral concerns or to add names to the prayer list.*

*Mike can be reached by email ([mike.rottinger@comcast.net](mailto:mike.rottinger@comcast.net)).*

*You can also leave a message in the Church Office.*

OPC SESSION MEMBERS:

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Anil “Bob” Kothari, Becky Lazo, Deborah Rottinger, Jane Rozmiarek,  
Kate Shackelford, Aimerie Scherluebbe, Will Schick, Sean Whalen,  
Eileen Wiggins and Karen Wong.

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*The Rev. David McMillan - Pastor Emeritus*

*Dr. Christopher Gage - Director of Music*

*Sharon Parker - Acting Director of Christian Education*

*Lisa Faso - Office Manager*

*Carol Rozmiarek - Financial Secretary*

*Leonard Robbins - Church Custodian*

The Overbrook Quartet:

*Iris Fairfax, soprano; Molly McDonald, 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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