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# NEWS FROM THE CROSSROADS

#### **OPC's Lenten Schedule**

**Ash Wednesday.** Wednesday, March 5 at 7:00 PM in the OPC Basement We usher in the Lenten Season with service of penitence as we seek God's grace.

**Palm Sunday.** Sunday, April 13 at 11:00 AM at Penn Wynne Presbyterian Church

We begin Holy Week with the celebration of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

**Maundy Thursday.** Thursday, April 17 at 6:00 PM in the OPC Basement We congregate for a meal together and worship as we celebrate Jesus' final meal with his friends.

**Good Friday.** *Friday, April 18 at 12:00 PM* at African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas

We gather with our neighbors at St. Thomas to walk the stations of the cross and meditate on Christ's sacrifice.

**Holy Saturday Bonfire.** Saturday, April 19 at 7:00 PM in the OPC Parking Lot We wait in hopeful anticipation for Christ's resurrection.

**Easter Sunday.** Sunday, April 20 at 10:30 AM at Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El We celebrate Christ's resurrection and the freedom He has promised.

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# Lenten Devotional: A Gift of the Spirit for All

Throughout the years, Christians have sought ways to heighten their spiritual commitment during the season of Lent. For some, it has led to sacrificial acts and the question, What are you giving up for Lent? At Overbrook, the Lenten focus is more often directed to the question, What new practices are you adding to your life in Lent? For many, the answer is found in the Lenten devotional and through participation in the special events and services of the season. This Lent, Overbrook is providing each of us with the devotional, Lent: Coming Back to Life, produced by the staff of The SALT Project.

Coming Back to Life invites us to explore, observe, and embrace God's gifts of renewal and rebirth during this holy season. Each reflection, beginning with Ash Wednesday and culminating on Easter Sunday, will combine personal reflections, scripture, and prayer. You may access your online copy of Local Pilgrims, by clicking on the following link: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/45w56e2d">https://tinyurl.com/45w56e2d</a>. Print copies of this Lenten devotional will be available on the greeting table at the front and rear doors of the Penn Wynne Sanctuary.

# From the Director of Music

It is hard to believe that Lent is almost upon us! I would like to provide some updates on the music ministry as we move into this penitential season, both reflecting on our relationship with God and looking forward to the joy of Easter.

**Choir**. The Overbrook Choir is still going strong! Two exciting upcoming anthems are the beautiful and contemplative "These Are They that Follow the Lamb" by John Goss and "Don't You Let Nobody Turn You 'Round," an African-American spiritual arrangement by Lina McLin.

**Guest Musicians.** One of the joys of Overbrook is the diverse range of abilities that our congregation and friends have to share. Over the next few months, music in worship will feature cello music from **Elizabeth Mendoza** and the vocal gifts of **Blessing Osazuwa**. We are still planning some additional special music, so stay tuned for more information on what is to come.

**Handbells.** While recognizing that regular handbell playing in worship is difficult due to the equipment needing to be moved, I am very grateful to the handbell choir for their dedication and teamwork. We will provide music twice more this program year: **March 16** and **June 8**. If you are curious about handbell ringing, it's not too late to inquire! Music reading is not necessary; contact me (<a href="mailto:music@overbrookpresb.org">music@overbrookpresb.org</a>) for more information.

**Organ.** Many folks have asked about the status of our search for an instrument to replace the one we lost last January. Although this process takes time, I am confident that we will find a solution that is both cost-effective and sustainable. Notably, there are some closed churches that are looking for new homes for their organs; I am hopeful that we can accomplish an "organ transplant" in the future.

I never cease to be amazed at the resilience and spirit of Overbrook in this time of displacement. Thank you, all, for your support and dedication!

Chris Gage

# In the Spirit at Overbrook...

# **Centering Prayer**

All are welcome to participate in OPC's Centering Prayer gathering, Wednesday mornings from 9:30-10:00 AM, in the library of Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El. Centering Prayer offers opportunities for spoken intercessory prayer, as well as contemplative, silent prayer. In March, Centering Prayer will be held on March 5, 12, 19 and 26.

# **Tuesday Morning Prayer Group**

Tuesday mornings, 7:30–8:30 AM. Early risers are invited to start the morning with small group community prayer. Join us from the comfort of your home for a time of faith-filled fellowship and shared prayer. All are welcome. **Please use the following link: tinyurl.com/OPCTuesPrayer.** 

### **Adult Bible Study**

Led by Pastor Adam, from 10:30 AM-12:00 PM each Wednesday, Bible Study participants meet in the library of Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El.

# **Adult Forum**

OPC's Adult Forum offers opportunities for shared discourse and learning in the comfort of community. Meeting on Zoom from 7:00-8:00 PM the third and fourth Tuesdays of the month, Adult Forum combines peer led discussions with presentations from guest speakers. All are welcome! Zoom link <a href="https://tinyurl.com/OPCForumZoom">https://tinyurl.com/OPCForumZoom</a>.

On **Tuesday, March 18**, Adult Forum will continue the series *Courage of Our Convictions: A Christian Response to Global and National Crisis* with a discussion of Czech dissident, and former President, Vaclav Havel's acclaimed essay, "The Power of the Powerless." Our discussion will build on the themes of civic and spiritual responsibility in a time of repression that we have already treated in Dietrich Bonhoeffer's writing. On **Tuesday, March 25**, Adult Forum will continue with reflections on individual responsibility and care in the season of Lent.

# OPC's Retired Person's Ministry (RPM) Welcomes All!

With deep gratitude for the welcoming kindness of neighboring congregation, the African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas, RPM continues to provide fellowship, service, and shared learning opportunities for OPC members and community friends. Meeting on select Fridays each month, RPM has become a mutual ministry of our two faith communities. Come join us in March and explore diverse opportunities for engagement, activism, and discovery.

**RPM Café. March 7, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM.** Anderson Hall (upper level) of The African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas.

This special edition of the RPM Cafe is being held on **World Day of Prayer.** Please join us for a buffet soup and salad lunch, good-spirited fellowship, and an inspirational program. Our panel of guest presenters will share their personal stories of faith and lead us in prayers for our nation and the world. Guests are always welcome!

**RPM Plus: March 21, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM.** The Undercroft of The African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas

Join us for a continental breakfast and conversation. Our topic for the day is the *Gospel According* to *Mr. Rogers.* (*March 20 is national Mr. Rogers Day.*) Cardigan sweaters, comfy sneakers, and unbridled demonstrations of kindness are welcome...as are all friends and neighbors.

**RPM Café, pt. 2: March 28, 11:30-1:00 PM.** Anderson Hall (upper level) of The African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas.

March 28 is National "Food on a Stick" Day...and RPM will celebrate with a wide variety of kabobs, popsicles, and cake pops for all! BYO good humor and be prepared for spirits to be lifted!

RPM is a mutual ministry of Overbrook and St. Thomas. All are welcome; there is no cost to participate.

# **Retired Person's Ministry in Action**

Love was contagious and multiplied during the RPM *Love Your Neighbor Breakfast* on February 14. The free will offering, designated to support the ministry of The New Sanctuary Movement of Philadelphia, initially totaled \$220. Soon matching pledges and additional generous contributions were received, and the free will offering grew to \$1,480! Thanks be to God!



To learn more about The New Sanctuary Movement of Philadelphia, visit their website at <a href="https://www.sanctuaryphiladelphia.org">https://www.sanctuaryphiladelphia.org</a>. To learn more about the activities and activism of RPM, please contact Sharon Parker (<a href="mailto:sparker614@gmail.com">sparker614@gmail.com</a>) or Pat Dillon (<a href="mailto:psdillon1@earthlink.net">psdillon1@earthlink.net</a>).

# Abundant gratitude and love...

Beloved Friends,

Words cannot adequately express my gratitude for your kindness and generosity. Your acknowledgement of my call and service to Overbrook was deeply moving. Our time together in worship and fellowship on February 16 will be among my most treasured memories. My family and I were richly blessed by your generous gifts of presence, creativity, personal reflections, and abundant good spirit.

Throughout my life at Overbrook, you have graciously welcomed me, prayed for me, invited me into your lives, and offered me abundant opportunities for ministry. You entrusted me with your precious children and youth in the rambling confines of our church, and in the Appalachian Mountains of West Virginia and Pennsylvania. You held me close in prayer when I was called to serve God's people in Papua New Guinea and Myanmar. In times of my greatest need, you sat at my hospital bedside, later providing home visits, encouragement, laughter, and casseroles!

Although retired from my staff role, I remain united with you in membership and friendship. I will always be grateful for the pastoral care and inspiration of Pastor Adam, the commitment and vision of the Elders and Deacons with whom I have served, and for the unique gifts and faithful service of the OPC staff. I am confident that God is calling another parish care partner in ministry to Overbrook, and that they are now praying their way to us. I look forward to the day when we will all gather to extend a warm and wide Overbrook welcome.

Love and blessings to you, Sharon Parker

# **Mission & Outreach**

Thanks to your generosity, OPC's Mission & Outreach Committee has been supporting Beyond Borders, an organization that works to overcome poverty, prevent violence and abuse, and develop leaders in Haiti.

Friends at Overbrook Presbyterian -

I am so grateful to the people of Overbrook Presbyterian Church for so generously sponsoring another family in Haiti. It means more than I can say – especially in these extremely uncertain times.

Work with all 160 families in this sixth cohort launched in November 2023. Even in ordinary times, families like these that are living in extreme poverty face hunger, illness, and homelessness. In times of crisis like this however, these families are even more at risk, making Overbrook's generous sponsorship even more life-changing for them.

Here are a few details about Eloie and her family.



- Eloie, 41, and her husband, Laguer, 44, and their three children ages 11, 15, and 22 were living in a dilapidated two-bedroom home with a leaky roof.
- Neither Eloie nor Laguer have any way to earn a living. Laguer has a brokendown moto taxi but he doesn't have the means to repair it.
- The family often goes an entire day without eating, according to their caseworker.
- Overbrook's sponsorship will give the family a path to a much brighter future, one that is filled with dignity, hope, opportunity, and self-reliance.

Having met many parents like Eloie over the years and witnessed the transformation of their families, I really can't find words to adequately express the tremendous and lasting difference that the people of Overbrook Presbyterian Church will make in their lives. Please share our gratitude with everyone there!

With deep gratitude,
David Diggs
Co-Founder & Executive Director | Beyond Borders

#### **UPCOMING MISSION AND OUTREACH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**Saturday, March 1. Books Through Bars**. Did you know that in 2024 *Books Through Bars* fulfilled over 8,000 requests for books from those incarcerated? Come join us! A variety of tasks are available. We carpool from the OPC parking lot at 1:00 PM and return by 4:00 PM. Please contact <u>Janet Bowker</u> for more information.

Monday, March 17. Norristown Hospitality Center. Help make the St. Patrick's Day breakfast in Norristown a wee bit happier by providing one or two of the items on the Sign-Up. Items will be collected in the Penn Wynne parking lot on Sunday, March 16 before worship or by 9:00 AM Monday, March 17, in the OPC parking lot. We are always grateful to Earl and Ann Elise Lindgren for their devotion

Looking Ahead to April

- Saturday, April 5
  Books Through Bars
- Saturday, April 12
   West Philly Block
   Build with
   Rebuilding Together
   Philadelphia
- Monday, April 21
   Norristown
   Hospitality Center
- Tuesday, April 29
   Life Center of
   Eastern Delaware
   County meal

to this M&O effort.

# **Congregational Life**

# **Fellowship Hour Hosts**

We are grateful for all those who have hosted in February. Thank you to those who have volunteered to host in March. If you would like an opportunity to practice hospitality and kindness toward one another or celebrate a special event, please sign up to be a Fellowship Hour host. We still need your help.

There are several ways to help:

- Be a host bring the food
- Set up before service arrive at 10:30 AM to help the host
- Clean up after Fellowship Hour help the host

Just fill out the SignUp Genius.

Here's the link: www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a4aacae2da2fe3-fellowship

Hosts provide 150 bites of food. Keep the selection of food simple. Handheld food only. Example: one fresh selection (such as a bag of Cuties); one gluten-free option; enough other snacks to fill 10 to 15 small trays. Hosts **do not have to provide** table covers, plates, cups, trays or utensils. Hosts **do not have to set up or break down the tables and chairs.** 

If you have any questions, please contact Artia Benjamin (clc@overbrookpresb.org). You will receive a reminder email from the SignUp Genius application. Please provide your email and phone number when you sign up. We will send you the Fellowship Hour Tips and guidelines document. "Let brotherly love continue".



## **The Coffee Ministry**

With the return of the coffee ministry, let's practice being more planet friendly and personalize your coffee experience by bringing your own coffee mug.

The Congregational Life Committee thanks the following people for hosting Fellowship Hour in February.

- February 2 hosted by the Sheau Family in celebration of Chinese New Year.
- February 9 –hosted by Artia Benjamin, Cheryl Davis, Keedra Carroll, Bob and Miriam Harden, and Nathalie May celebrating Black History Month and the Eagles at the Superbowl.
- February 16 hosted by Jill Van Rawley, Nancy Gilhool, Cindy Gray and Linda Huff Paul.
- February 23 hosted by Evelyn Nkwenti, Rachel Nkwenti and Darion Marshall to celebrate Aura Marshall's baptism.

#### March Hosts of Fellowship Hour

Thanks to the following people who have volunteered to host in March.

- March 2 Open
- March 9 hosted by Chris and Claire Fay
- March 16 hosted by Karen Testa
- March 23 hosted by Sunanda Charles and Mary Ann Blair
- March 30 hosted by Youth Group

Thank you for your support,

Congregational Life Committee

# **Children & Family Ministry**



#### Sacred Stories at the Cave

This March, children, caregivers, and ministry leaders will embark on an immersive journey deep into the earth, exploring sacred stories of cave dwellers found in the Hebrew Bible, the New Testament, and the lives of saints and holy figures. Every Sunday, our beloved community gathers to participate in formation programs, such as:

- The Overbrook Prayerground is a space where our youngest members encounter worship and
  one another through creative, tactile experiences tailored to meet their unique participatory
  needs. Coordinated by Judy Williamson and supported by our trained Prayerground Stewards,
  this space opens at 10:45 AM.
- Biblical Storytelling serves as a multigenerational moment of liturgy where the children of God hear, see, touch, and participate in the messages of Scripture. Together, we hear the stories of the Bible, engage in contemplative spiritual practice, sing, and pray as one.
- Children's Sunday School is the heart of our Sunday Morning Experience Ministry, offering a rich Christian formation for children ages 3–11+. On the first Sunday of the month, our Sunday School Lite program engages young people in outreach, inreach, or cultural enrichment before they receive the Eucharist at noon. On all other Sundays, Children's Sunday School is offered from 11:15 AM to 12:15 PM on the lower level of Penn Wynne Presbyterian Church by trained and vetted leaders.
- Fellowship Hour serves as a dynamic time where children and families gather over coffee, conversation, and games. Here, children practice independence in community by serving themselves food, choosing seats among friends, and organizing game play—strengthening relationships that extend beyond Overbrook.
- Nursery Childcare for infants and children 0-2 years old is offered from 10:45 AM to 12:15 PM by staffpersons Connie Moran, Carol Rozmiarek, and Deja Stokes on the lower level of Penn Wynne.

To learn more about supporting the CFM's vibrant Sunday Morning Experience programs through your time and talents, please reach out to Molly Burke at cfm@overbrookpresb.org

### **The 2024 Annual Report**

The CFM Core Leadership Team recently published its annual report, detailing ministry actions in 2024, and sculpting collaborative vision for 2025. We invite caregivers and congregation to view the report by going to <a href="mailto:tinyurl.com/CFM-Annual-24">tinyurl.com/CFM-Annual-24</a>

Respectfully and faithfully yours, Anthony Carrella, Molly Burke, & Christoph von Andreae

#### **SAVE THESE MARCH DATES!**

# Contemplative Prayer Dinner for Caregivers (childcare available). Tuesday, March 18 at 5:30 PM on the lower level of Overbrook Pres.

Join us monthly on the lower level of Overbrook for a shared meal and a time of sacred quiet. We'll begin with a 5:30 PM community-organized dinner, followed by a contemplative practice from 6:00 to 6:45 PM. A collaborative cleanup will occur in the last fifteen minutes of the session. Childcare will be available during the practice, from 6:00 to 7:00 PM, allowing caregivers a moment of rest for body, mind, and soul in God's presence.

### **Children And Family Ministry Leaders**

- Sunday, March 2 at 10:15 AM. <u>Sunday Morning Leader's Gathering</u>, held on the lower level of Penn Wynne Presb.
- Monday, March 3 at 9:30 AM. <u>CFM Core Leadership Meeting</u>, held via Zoom.
- Wednesday, March 5 at 11:00 AM. <u>Ministry Re-entry Task Force Meeting</u>, held on the lower level of Overbrook Presb.
- Wednesday, March 12, 19, 26 at 10:15-11:45 AM. <u>Chair <> Director Meetings</u>, held at Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El.
- Wednesday, March 12 at 5:45 PM. <u>Children & Family Ministry Committee Fellowship</u>, held on the lower level of Overbrook Presb.
- Wednesday, March 12 at 6:15 PM. <u>Quarterly Meeting of the Children & Family Ministry</u>, held on the lower level of Overbrook Presb.

### **Upcoming Opportunities**

RSVP by going to tinyurl.com/RSVP-CFM

- Tuesday Contemplative Prayer Dinners in April, May, & June
- Easter Sunday Volunteers Needed on Sunday, April 20th
- Kids Against Hunger Day of Service: Weeknight, Saturday, or Sunday in April or May
- Rock Climbing Fellowship: Sunday after church in May or June

### February's CFM Volunteer Reflection: Let the Heart be Your Guide

Our February Sunday Morning Experience intent was for learners to co-create sanctuary—with each other, their leaders, throughout our community of faith, and with the Holy One. Each week, learners were invited into contemplative practices that sought to awaken their senses in alignment with our curricular theme "Let the Heart Be Your Guide." Each Sunday, our sessions unfolded in a sequence:

First, during Biblical Storytelling in worship, we sang unto the LORD new song[s] each week—listening with the Ears of the Heart and playing with the Joy of the Heart. In celebration of the lunar new year, we learned a traditional song in Mandarin, and throughout the month, we embraced an

ancient aboriginal chant from the aboriginal peoples of the Australian continent.



Following the Biblical Storytelling, the learners proceeded to the fellowship hall downstairs, where they gathered around a fire. In a ritual opening to our classes, we journeyed back in time in a different way each week—adding our lights to the fire, engaging in symbolic hunting and gathering for food, and deepening our understanding of the significance of cave art and symbols.

After this evocative gathering around the fire, the learners created the mural in the style of a Paleolithic cave. Working together, they combined their wonderful artistic and musical talents, using tempera paint sticks (among other materials) to bring the cave to life, while enjoying a snack prepared with care.

Following the creation of the cave mural, the class closed with a drum and prayer circle. Under Mr. Anthony's leadership, the learners engaged in a drum circle that echoed the ancient tradition of percussion as a prayer form, and they shared in heartfelt prayer as they placed their special prayer cards in the prayer jar.

I extend heartfelt thanks to Anthony Carrella, as well as to Emily Stewart, Laurie Geers, Davorka Sabljak, and Mads Cosgriff for their leadership on the mural; Carol Rozmiarek and Faith Eastling for their guidance with snack time; Brad Biedermann, Margene Biedermann, Anne Foote, and Raelyn Harman for providing percussive instruments; and Donna Bell-Koon along with Molly Burke for their support with poetry and logistical help.

Finally, the cave mural learners created will serve as our storytelling backdrop over the next six Sundays, as we hear "Cave Stories of the Bible and in the Lives of Holy People."

It has been a joy each Sunday to see our OPC children's bright, shining faces racing down the aisle to participate in our ministry. I feel truly blessed by the opportunity to be among your children each week and cannot wait to continue our journey next month—as each month brings a new or newly updated curriculum. Thank you again, OPC parents and caretakers, for entrusting your loved ones to our CFM leaders and teachers for these enriching sessions.



Davorka Sabljak CFM Congregational Communications Coordinator





# **Youth Ministry**

**Youth First Fridays.** All 6th graders, teens and young college friends are welcome. Those 18+ will require clearances. Our next gathering is on Friday, March 7.

- Save the Dates! April 4, May 2.
- **Where**: Overbrook Presbyterian Church, 6376 City Avenue, Philadelphia. 5:30–8:00 PM. Use the entrance by the playground.
- **RSVP**: Please email <u>youth@overbrookpresb.org</u> or text Suchita Fiorillo at 215-450-5356 on the Sunday before we meet so we know who's coming to plan for food.

On February 7th, twelve of our amazing youth gathered at OPC for food and fun. We ate, crafted Valentine monsters, and everyone brought an item from home that was special to them to share with the group.



Nina, Emma, Nieve, Sarah, Anya, Moira, Solly, Aria, Zachariah, Blake, Makari, Zubin





**Kensington Project**. On Sunday, February 23, OPC Youth once again went to minister to our friends in Kensington. If anyone has any new or gently used clothing to donate for an upcoming Kensington visit or has any questions on the program, please contact Becky Lazo (rebeccalazo@hotmail.com).

# **Volunteer Opportunity: Sunday School Teachers Needed**

Do you have a passion for guiding and inspiring the next generation? We are looking for dedicated and compassionate volunteers to teach Sunday School for our middle and high school students. This is an exciting opportunity to make a lasting impact on young lives by helping them grow in their faith and navigate life's challenges.

### • Why Volunteer?

- o Make a Difference: Shape the spiritual growth of our youth.
- o Build Relationships: Connect with students in a meaningful way.
- o Grow Spiritually: Teaching others can deepen your own faith journey.
- Supportive Environment: Resources and training will be provided.

### Who We're Looking For

- o People with a heart for youth and a desire to mentor and guide.
- o No formal teaching experience is required—just a love for God and a willingness to serve.

#### • Time Commitment

- Sunday mornings during our regular worship services.
- o Preparation time during the week (lesson will be provided every Tuesday via email)

Please note that all volunteers must have their clearances completed. Details on how to complete clearances are on the sign-up genius or follow the link to the clearance instructionshttps://tinyurl.com/mt72ntv2.

If you're ready to invest in the spiritual development of our middle and high school students, follow the link to the sign-up genius Youth Sunday School Teacher Sign Up. Any questions, please see Corinna Bowser (corinnabowser@qmail.com). Together, we can help our youth grow in faith and purpose!

### Youth Sunday - March 30, 2025

Once a quarter we have a worship service lead by the youth of OPC. We need youth to volunteer. Please contact Artia Benjamin or Suchita Fiorillo at youth@overbrookpresb.org.

**Key Sunday Worship Tasks Descriptions** 

- Liturgist assists with worship service works with Pastor Adam
- First Reader scripture works with Pastor Adam
- Second Reader scripture works with Pastor Adam
- Welcome to congregation works with Pastor Adam
- Usher hands out bulletin, sometimes direct people before during and after service works with a W&M person
- Greeter stands at doors and welcomes people also assist those who require help works with a Deacon
- Storyteller Reads biblical book to children works Anthony
- Second person to lead the prayer with Children
- Musician plays instrument or sings works with Chris

Stay tuned for more fun to come! If you have any ideas, please share them at <a href="mailto:youth@overbrookpresb.org">youth@overbrookpresb.org</a>.

# **Ongoing Weekly Events**

# **Every Tuesday**

Tuesday Morning Prayer Group. 7:30 AM. Online. Join <a href="https://bit.ly/3yxD2F4">https://bit.ly/3yxD2F4</a>-Meeting ID: 932 4865 5338

### **Every Wednesday**

- Centering Prayer. 9:30 AM. Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El.
- Bible Study. 10:30 AM. Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El.

### **Every Thursday**

 Choir Rehearsal. 7:30 PM. Gold preschool room of Overbrook Presbyterian Church. All are welcome, regardless of experience or skill level. For more information, contact Chris Gage (music@overbrookpresb.org).

# **Committee Information**

Committee Name	Monthly Meeting	Chair or Co-Chairs
Worship and Music worship@overbrookpresb.org	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday 7:30 PM*	Pat Dillon
Deacons deacons@overbrookpresb.org	2nd Monday 7:30 PM*	Bill Baker
Mission and Outreach mission@overbrookpresb.org	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 1:00 PM	Jeff Bowker
Finance finance@overbrookpresb.org	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday 7:00 PM*	Lainie Blodgett
Children and Family Ministry (CFM) cfm@overbrookpresb.org	Wed., March 12 6:15 PM	Molly Andrews Burke
Personnel personnel@overbrookpresb.org	TBD	Elizabeth Cosgriff
Property property@overbrookpresb.org	Last Wednesday 7:00 PM*	Jeff Bowker
Stewardship stewardship@overbrookpresb.org	TBD	Keedra Carroll
Congregational Life clc@overbrookpresb.org	TBD	Artia Benjamin
Welcoming welcoming@overbrookpresb.org	TBD	Elizabeth Mendoza
Youth Ministry youth@overbrookpresb.org	TBD	Artia Benjamin Suchita Fiorillo
An asterisk (*) indicates that the committee meets virtually.		

### Deacons

# **Prayer List**

- Prayers for healing and comfort for Meryth Piatt, Mads Piatt Cosgriff's aunt, as she heals from an accident.
- Prayers for restoration of health for Karen Testa's father as he is receiving medical care for health challenges.
- Prayers for Laila Soueif, friend of Scott Long, and her family as she is currently hospitalized for health reasons.
- Prayers for restoration of health for Joe Blair as he receives ongoing medical care.
- Prayers of support for the Eastling family as they navigate challenging times.
- Prayers for Phil Sheau and his family as they mourn the death of his niece-in law, Sandi Mon.
- Prayers for compassionate care and comfort for Phil Sheau's nieces in law, Emma Mon, as she is receiving hospice care.
- Prayers for peace and comfort for Phil Sheau's cousin, Mark Der Bing, as he enters hospice care.
- Prayers for restoration of health for Gwen Anthony, as she remains under medical care.
- Prayers for restoration of health for Mary Lou Ryce, as she remains under cardiac care.
- Prayers for Janie Martin's cousin, Maureen Cook, who is undergoing medical care for pancreatic cancer.
- Prayers for compassionate care and comfort for Jim Mc Daniel's mother, Doris McDaniel, who is receiving hospice care.
- Prayers for all who are facing health concerns, especially Jane Bevan, Bob Bevan, Scott Long, Gwen Harden, Ed Harvey, Milton Stokes, Valerie Craig, Joan Moylan, Jim Moylan and Natalie DeShields.
- Prayers for strength, guidance and peace for all who are facing life transitions and confronted with challenging decisions.
- Prayers of gratitude for the faith communities that continue to sustain Overbrook during our time of relocation.
- Prayers for vision, wisdom, and stamina for all who are leading and supporting the revitalization and restoration efforts of Overbrook.

# HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAYS!

Dennis Elwell

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- 3/3 **Angie Goodall** 3/4 Matteo Atienza 3/5 Jennie Atienza Deja-Nicole Stokes 3/7 Eamon Hearlson Ajay Kuriyan Adrien Van Stratis 3/11 Sara Davis 3/14 Elizabeth Mendoza 3/15 Stephanie Morris 3/17 Kevin Davis 3/18 Elliot Hearlson
- 3/20 Claire Fay

3/19

3/22 Khamani Parker

Bo Burke

Dela Geraldo

- 3/24 Molly Burke
- 3/26 Lois Davis
- 3/30 Eileen Wiggins



If the birthday for you or a family member is not listed and you wish to be included on the monthly birthday list, please email office@overbrookpresb.org.

Prayers for strength, peace and hope for all people impacted by the changing national environment.

Please contact Lisa Faso (manager@overbrookpresb.org) or Adam Hearlson (adam@overbrookpresb.org) to add names to the prayer list.