



Vanderbilt

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



August 11, 2019

10:00 am | Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to Vanderbilt! We rejoice that you are here to worship God with us. Nursery care is available for children in kindergarten and under. Worship bags and sermon notes are also available in the Narthex for children to use during the Worship service. Please ask an usher if assistance is needed. If you would like to share a joy or concern, please write it on a yellow card. We will collect these cards with the offering. As a courtesy to others, please remember to turn off cell phones during the service.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prayer of Preparation

Loving God, lead us to deeper faith, fuller trust, and greater responsiveness. May we hear your knock, answer your call, and serve where we are sent. We are ready to share in your promises, claim the homeland you offer, and extend to all we meet the invitation to believe and obey. May all people discern the treasure you offer. Amen.

Prelude:

“Prayer for Organ”

Julius Chajes

The Tolling of the Bells

Welcome: Please take a minute to sign the green friendship pads found in each pew. Then note the names of those seated near you, so you can greet each other by name. The “*” in the bulletin indicates the congregation to stand as able.

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

*Call To Worship

*Come to honor God and give thanks.
Seek to learn and follow in the ways of God.
God has summoned us to this place.
Let your steadfast love, O God, be upon us.
Let us worship God.*

*Opening Hymn # 181

“Come Sing to God”

ELLACOMBE

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Almighty God, we confess that we have shaped our own standards and values rather than seeking to know your will. We turn from faith in you and rebel against the agenda of your realm. Our hearts focus on things we can accumulate more than on your mission in which we can share. Lead us, O God, into acts of compassion, that our attitudes may be reshaped and a right relationship with you restored.

Affirmation of Forgiveness

*Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.*

*Gloria Patri # 579

GREATOREX

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!

*Passing of the Peace

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

Special Music:

“Modim anachnu lach”

Jonathan Comisar

Cantor Donna Azu, Soprano (Bio on page 6)

1. We acknowledge with thanks that You are Adonai, Our God, and God of our ancestors forever.

2. For the sun that rises in the East, for the seas that roar a prayer, For the stillness of a snowfall, for the breath of autumn air, For the grasp within my fingers, for a mind that makes me whole, For the voice that God has given me to speak the truth within my soul.

***3. We acknowledge with thanks that You are Adonai, Our God and God of our ancestors forever.
For the miracles that we experience every day,
And for Your wondrous deeds and favors at every time of day: Evening, morning and noon.***

4. For the laughter of the children, for the way they greet the day, With their endless stream of questions, they remind us how to play, And for the ones we call beloved, who take away our fear. They tell us without saying it, remember I am here, remember I am here!

5. We acknowledge with thanks that You are Adonai, Our God, and God of our ancestors forever. You are the Rock of our lives and the shield of our salvation in every generation. We acknowledge with thanks forever.

Verses in Italics (1, 3 & 5) are sung in Hebrew.

Blessing of the Backpacks & Teacher Commissioning

Amanda Rowe

We welcome and celebrate the presence of children in worship: reserved chairs are available for them in the front with front row pews on both sides for their families, at the 10:00am worship service. Baptized children are invited to receive communion with their parents.

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

(Pew Bible Pg. 630 OT)

L: The Word of the Lord

A: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Luke 12:32-40

(Pew Bible Pg. 75 NT)

L: The Word of the Lord

A: Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

“Have Heart, Little Flock”

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*Affirmation of Faith *(Unison)*

(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 again 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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

“Sing to the Lord a New Song”

Robert Lau

*Doxology # 592

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

*SENDING FORTH

Hymn #210

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

ST. ANNE

*Commission & Blessing

Enter your everyday world dressed for action.

Let your prayers embrace those in need.

Direct our steps, O God, and we will obey.

We are ready to serve wherever you lead us.

Alleluia!

Amen!

Congregational Response

“Let There Be Peace On Earth” *(Copyright 1955 by Jan-Lee Music. Renewed 1983 Used by permission)*

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me. Let there be peace on earth the peace that was meant to be. With God as our Father, children all are we; Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me let this be the moment now. With every step I take let this be my solemn vow. To take each moment and live each moment in peace, eternally. Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Postlude:

“Sortie” in F Major

César Franck

Worshippers are invited to remain seated and listen to the Postlude or exit quietly to the Narthex and Fellowship Hall to greet and converse with one another.

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, *Pastor*

Liturgist: Bill Payne

Dr. James Cochran, *Director of Music, playing the Richard and Patricia Fors Organ to the Glory of God and in honor of James Cochran, organist.*

The Chancel Choir

Ushers: Jane Little (Captain), Ron Nowry, Jody Nowry, Toni Keefer, Carolyn Magarro, Suzanne Zelinka, Jim Hawkins, Nancy Guthy

The flowers on the Chancel have been donated by members and friends of the congregation in honor and loving memory of friends and family.

This week's flowers are a gift from Bruce and Christine Muddell.

WORSHIP TOGETHER

Sunday, August 18, 2019

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship Time: 10am

Music - Prayers - Scripture

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

(Isaiah 5:1-7/Luke 12:49-56)

VPC News

TODAY'S FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Vanderbilt offers two fellowship opportunities following worship so people can relax, mingle, and catch up with friends new and old. Each opportunity is sponsored by either a group/ministry team or family from the congregation – they provide some snacks.

This week in place of our fellowship hour, please join us at our Carnival and cookout. Hot dogs will be served! There will be a free will offering.

PASTOR ROB'S BIBLE STUDY

Each group gathers for a casual discussion of the Scripture passage to be examined during worship on the following week. Join us for: ***Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study at 9:00 am** ***Wednesday Evening Pastor's Bible Study at 5:30 pm (Open to all)** Hope to see you there!

JAZZ ON THE BEACH

Saturday, August 17th 6:30 pm- 9:30 pm, with the group "Pocket Change" performing at the Naples Beach Hotel, 851 Gulf Shore Boulevard. The concert goes on regardless the weather, but may be delayed due to thunder or lightning. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets for seating and join our VPC group on the beach by the tiki hut behind the hotel pool. Free parking available at Lowdermilk Park with free trolley service to resort and back for those with a beach sticker. Parking also available on some side streets. Final summer performance will be September 14th.

ALLELUIA CHOIR

Wednesday, September 4th, 5:30 – 6:15 we will meet to talk about schedules for the year, performances, and sing/ring some fun songs. Please plan ahead to sing at the 3 p.m. Christmas Eve service. YOU have become a TRADITION here at Vanderbilt; a tradition we are proud of and want to keep going! Please use this phone: 592 – 5398 for ALL communications this year.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

First Corinthians Sunday Morning Bible Study to begin on **September 15 at 11:15**. "Paul's pastoral sensitivity and deep insights come together to make this letter one of his crowning achievements, full of good things for us to ponder and enjoy today." N. T. Wright.

We hope you will plan to join us at 11:15 on Sunday September 15 as we begin to explore Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. A 13 session study guide, authored by N. T. Wright, will be a resource and is available for \$9 but is not required. The starting time will change to 10:45 on October 6 when VPC returns to two services. For information, or to express interest, contact Jon White at whitej987@cs.com or 254-0324.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

Sunday, September 8th Following worship a new member orientation will be led by Pastor Rob Marrow. Let's get to know each other. During this time we will answer your questions becoming a VPC Presbyterian. Please call the church office to register: 239-597-5410.

DO YOU NEED A STEPHEN MINISTER?

Stephen Ministers are members of VPC who have gone through 50 hours of training to provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care to people who are facing a crisis or simply going through a difficult time. A Stephen Minister meets with his or her care receiver once a week for around an hour to listen, care, pray, and provide emotional and spiritual encouragement. Men are matched with male Stephen Ministers, and women are matched with female Stephen Ministers. Do you need a Stephen Minister? **Talk with, or email one of our Stephen Ministry Leaders: Don Sherman at 239-227-2891 (dsherman429@gmail.com) or Jill Peterson at 239-597-7440 (petersji@gmail.com).**

MEET OUR SPECIAL GUEST CANTOR DONNA AZU

Originally from Southern California, Cantor Donna Azu received a Bachelor's of Music degree in Opera Performance and Music Education from California State University of Long Beach. Prior to attending the School of Sacred Music at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR) in New York City, she earned a California teaching credential in K-12 music and taught both elementary and middle school music and theater. In addition, she sang professionally throughout Southern California with Opera Pacific, Long Beach Opera and the Los Angeles Jewish Symphony.

Although Cantor Azu had been active in the Jewish community, it wasn't until she participated in a Pre-Cantorial program on the HUC-JIR, Los Angeles campus that she knew that the Cantorate was the right path for her. She is extremely passionate about enhancing Jewish life through music. The Cantorate encompasses much of what she loves; music, education, community, and tradition.

While studying in New York, Cantor Azu had the opportunity to be the Cantorial Intern at Temple Shaaray Tefila in NYC from 2006-2008 and as the student Cantor at Temple Adas Israel in Sag Harbor, Long Island from 2008-2010. On May 2nd, 2010, Cantor Azu received her Cantorial Ordination from Hebrew Union College.

2019 Weekly Attendance :
Aug 4 216 **YTD Average 444**

Financial Update - Operating Fund

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	June	Year to Date	Budget YTD
Operating Income	\$ 84,594	\$ 768,387	\$ 728,700
Operating Expenses	\$ 101,395	\$ 575,282	\$ 594,200

Please Pray for the men and women serving our country.

If you have a relative or friend in the military, please let the Church have their name/address. We think it is important to keep in contact with those who serve our country. Thank you.

ENSIGN Francis Alvares
US Navy, Pensacola, FL
(Friend of Jay & Mary Chesslo)

MSgt Kristopher Chesslo
USAF
(Jay & Mary Chesslo's nephew)

CPTN Sterling W. Dawley
US Navy, Pacific Fleet
(Loren & Debbie Dawley's son)

ENSIGN Wyatt R. Dawley
US Navy Intel
(Loren & Debbie Dawley's grandson)

LT Col. Jessica D. Grassetti
(Claudia Polzin's niece)

LT Adam Endrelunas
US Navy
(Cherie & Dave Baines son-in-law)

CPTN Allen Fujinaka
US Army
(LaVerne Perrollaz grandson)

Christian Kurz
US Navy, USS Nitze
(Joyce Geary great nephew)

CPTN Jennifer Giles
USMC, Philippines
(Mary Giles granddaughter)

CPTN Jeremy Giles
US Army Special Forces,
Ft. Bragg, NC

(Mary Giles grandson)

MAJ Robert Gruber, USMC
LT CDR Marjorie Gruber, US Navy
Camp Pendleton, CA

(Bob Gruber & Marion Johnson's son & daughter in law)

LT Michelle Lea
US Navy
(Cherie & Dave Baines daughter in law)

LT Kevin McCormick
US Army - USA
(Friend of Dick & Sharon Learn)

Austin Schwartz
USMC, Camp Pendleton, CA
(Patricia Schwartz's grandson)

Marshall Shepherd
US Navy
(Family of John & Roberta McMaster)

MAJ Matthew Smith,
USMC, Kuwait
(Son of Linda Smith)

EM Xzavier Whitaker
US Navy
(John & Roberta McMaster's granddaughter's husband)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please continue to hold in prayer our members and friends facing illness, injury and hardship.

Chas Altman	Ellie Fiolka	Danielle Kirby	David Morris	Ernie Sartorius
The Antilla Family	Jim Fligg	Annette Kocal	Lloyd Newmann	Ramona Stockman
Jeanette Bowling	Ali Frimpter	Collette Koch	Ada Nuhn	Margaret & Lance Waters
Christy	Nancy Guthy	Kristen Lapham	Judy Oehler	
Joe Cox	Eileen Jacob & Family	Jean Lonergan	Paul	
Family of Kitsy Davidson	Jenna	Judy Malone	Ward Powers	
Sue Davis	Laurie Johnson	John McClure	Rensberger Family	
Asia Elsbree & Family	Sandra Johnson	Carolyn Michel	The Rose Family	

Happy Birthday!

Judith Dick 8/11
Linda Burwinkel 8/12
Chris Geiser 8/12
Estella Morroni 8/12
Linda Stewart 8/12
Elizabeth Todd 8/12
***Nancy Bell 8/13**
***Tim Hall 8/13**
James Schilling 8/13
Joanna Throckmorton 8/13
***Andres Torrens 8/13**
Joe Trees 8/13

Celeste Trees 8/13
***Bill Beynon 8/14**
Greta Corcoran 8/15
Shirley Daugherty 8/15
John Pender 8/15
Valerie Tomsic 8/15
Sue Van Fossen 8/15
Rose Wendler 8/15
Rowena Spencer 8/16
Brett Franklin 8/17
***John Paalman 8/17**

Happy Anniversary!

David & Millie Bos 8/12
John & Heather Monda 8/12
Jim & Marlene Everson 8/17

*Birthday Club Members

Interested in joining the Club? Birthday Club Members give one dollar for each year of their life to celebrate their special day! The VPC Endowment Board uses the interest income from the Birthday Club funds exclusively for Youth Activities! Please consider becoming a member of the Birthday Club! Celebrate your Birthday by thanking God for your life!

If you have any joys and/or concerns, let us know as they are lifted up daily through our intercessory prayer ministry. If you are hospitalized, please let the facility know you are a member or a friend of the Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church so they can let us know! Please notice that prayer requests will be kept in the bulletin for a period of 30 days, after which a new prayer request card should be resubmitted.

VPC Week at a Glance

Sunday, August 11

10:00 AM

Traditional Worship Service
Blessing of the Backpacks
All Church Cookout

11:00 AM

Monday, August 12

7:37 AM

Men's Assn. Golf (Arrowhead G.C.)

5:00 PM

EMT Meeting

7:00 PM

Boy Scouts

Tuesday, August 13

9:00 AM

Men's Bible Study

7:30 PM

Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday, August 14

10:00 AM

FIF Friends in Faith

3:30 PM

Passage Meditation

5:30 PM

ALL CHURCH Bible Study
@ VPC -with Pastor Rob

Thursday, August 15

8:15 AM

VLC Back to School Coffee

1:30 PM

Budget & Finance

Friday, August 16

8:15 AM

VLC Back to School Coffee

9:00 AM

VLC Parent Team Meeting

Saturday, August 17

10:00 AM

Al Anon

6:00 PM

Jazz at the Beach with VLC

Sunday, August 18

10:00 AM

Traditional Worship Service

11:00 AM

Fellowship & Coffee Time

WE GATHER TOGETHER AT VPC

Mission Service ~ Choirs ~ Stephen Ministry ~ Youth Groups ~ Concerts ~ Women's Circles
Lecture Series ~ Health Seminars ~ Wholeness & Health ~ VandeReaders ~ Recycled Cards
Bible Studies for Men & Women ~ Senior Ministry ~ Book Studies ~ Confirmation ~ Quilters
Handbells & More ~ Support Group Meetings.

We hope you are interested in becoming a member or affiliate member of this church. Please speak to the person at our Welcome Center in the Narthex or call the office at 239-597-5410.

VPC MISSION

Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church is called by God and empowered by the Holy Spirit to live like Christ in a broken world.

To Proclaim the Gospel

To Glorify God in worship and deed

To Equip our congregation for ministry

To Serve others in Christ's name.

VPC VISION

A congregation...

...so grounded in scripture and sustained by prayer,

...so committed to spiritual growth and faithful discipleship,

...so inviting, welcoming and inclusive,

...so nurturing and healing,

...so mission-minded,

...so vibrant, energetic and open to opportunities to share the Gospel that lives are transformed by the love of Christ.



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