



Vanderbilt

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



August 18, 2019

10:00 am | Twentieth 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, though life can be tough and burtal at times, still, through Your love, help me to see its opportunities and blessings for good, as well. Amen.

Prelude:

“Aria in C”

C. Craig Phillips

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

What is the key word in a Christian's life and vocabulary?

It is "love". Jesus said we are to love one another as He has loved us.

That is right. Life is what gives us each day, while Love is what we give away.

We love because He first loved us.

Then let our worship center around the theme of love - God's love for us, our love for one another, and our love of life.

Let us worship God.

*Opening Hymn # 469

"Morning Has Broken"

Bunessen

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Eternal God, in whom we live, and move, and have our being; Your face is hidden from us by our sins; cleanse us from all our offenses and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. In reverence and humility, may we draw near to You, confessing all our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and our strength, through Jesus Christ Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

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

Children's Moment

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.

Hymn: 527

"Near to the Heart of God"

McAfee

The Gospel Reading

1 John 4:7 - 12

(Pew Bible Pg. 241 NT)

L: The Word of the Lord

A: Thanks be to God.

The Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 2:1 - 17

(Pew Bible Pg. 615 OT)

L: The Word of the Lord

A: Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

“A Love Affair With Life”

The Rev. Dr. Fred Schulz

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

“The Gift of Love”

Hal H. Hopson

***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 #415

“Come, Labor On”

Ora Labora

***Commission & Blessing**

God has made us rich in so many ways.

Let us go out to find new ways to be rich toward God.

We will continue to look to God for healing, and for renewed strength.

We will seek to walk in the ways of love where God Leads.

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:

Prelude in A Minor

J. S. Bach

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. Dr. Fred Schulz, *Parish Associate*

Liturgist: Suzanne Zelinka

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: Co-Captains - Bill & Mary Koppelkam, George & Margie Mackie, Don & Jan Fern, Bill & Joyce Dersch

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 in memory of my husband, Scott, from Joan Elliott.

WORSHIP TOGETHER

Sunday, August 25, 2019

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship Time: 10am

Music - Prayers - Scripture

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

(Jer 1:4-10 and Luke 13:10 - 17)

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.

Fellowship Hall: Thank you to the Congregational Nominating Team for sponsoring today's treats in Fellowship Hall. The Parish Life Ministry Team provides setup, decorations and beverages, which are typically coffee (regular and decaf), hot tea and water.

Youth Center (west end of our building): Thank you to the Lefebvre Family for sponsoring today's goodies in the Youth Center. Families with young children specially enjoy this time together in the relaxed atmosphere of the Youth Center.

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!

FAREWELL

Join us on **Sunday August 25th** for a *Farewell Celebration* honoring Amanda Rowe, VPC Director of Student Ministry, as we wish her well on her next adventure. Cake and coffee will be served in the Fellowship Hall during Fellowship Hour.

ALLELUIA CHOIR

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 contact : 592 – 5398 for ALL communications this year.

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

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.

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 239-777-0847 (dsherman249@gmail.com) or Jill Peterson at 239-597-7440 (petersji@gmail.com).**

BE AN USHER:

A welcoming environment is one of the most special things about VPC. Our faithful Ushers and Greeters play a major role in creating that environment. We strive to make sure each person attending worship is greeted with a kind word and a warm smile upon arrival. That greeting is reinforced by the support of our Ushers as we enter the sanctuary for worship. Being an usher or greeter is an important but simple task. Help us to extend love and welcome all people. If you are interested in serving on a regular or substitute basis, please call the church at 239-597-5410 or contact one of the ushers on Sunday.

2019 Weekly Attendance :

Aug 11 306

YTD Average 439

Financial Update - Operating Fund

Deo Gloria Mortgage Balance at July 2019: \$1,802,365

	July	Year to Date	Budget YTD
Operating Income	\$ 82,252	\$ 850,539	\$809,000
Operating Expenses	\$ 101,727	\$ 678,665	\$ 697,100

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	Jim Fligg	Annette Kocal	David Morris	Ernie Sartorius
Christy	Ali Frimpter	Collette Koch	Nancy Myers & Family	Ramona Stockman
Joe Cox	Deborah Hamilton	Kristen Lapham	Lloyd Newmann	Marie Walton
Family of Kitsy Davidson	Eileen Jacob & Family	Jean Lonergan	Ada Nuhn	Margaret & Lance Waters
Sue Davis	Jenna	Judy Malone	Paul	
Asia Elsbree & Family	Sandra Johnson	John McClure	The Rensberger Family	
Ellie Fiolka	Danielle Kirby	Carolyn Michel	The Rose Family	

Happy Birthday!

Sue Davis 8/19

Tom Hurley 8/19

Kenneth McMillin 8/19

***Mari-Bea Warnken 8/19**

Chuck Holley 8/20

Hazel Jaklitch 8/20

Jack Schilling 8/20

Barbara Elliott 8/21

Mark Royan 8/21

Merle Wylie 8/22

Katie Desorcy 8/23

***Ann Hoffman 8/23**

Ginny Dieken 8/24

John Ireland 8/24

Max Royan 8/24

***Dr. Lou Thompson 8/24**

Happy Anniversary!

Lee & Linda Burwinkel 8/18

Annette Dietrich 8/19

Tom & Kay Hurley 8/19

Tom & Sharon Messmore 8/19

Dan & Dianne Westerlund 8/20

Bruce & Roberta Hobbs 8/21

Loren & Deborah Dawley 8/22

Bruce & Wendy Baker 8/23

Alan & Jean Fletcher 8/23

Tom & Judy Maish 8/23

Bill & Judy Oehler 8/23

Charles & Nancy Thompson 8/23

*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 18

10:00 AM Traditional Worship Service
11:00 AM Fellowship & Coffee Time
11:00 AM Parish Life Tm Mtg

Monday, August 19

7:37 AM Men's Assn. Golf (Arrowhead
G.C.)
9:00 AM Recycled Cards
3:30 PM WMLA Tm
7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop 274

Tuesday, August 20

9:00 AM Men's Bible Study
11:00 AM B & G Tm Mtg
7:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday, August 21

5:30 PM ALL CHURCH Bible Study
@ VPC -with Pastor Rob

Thursday, August 22

8:15 AM VLC Back to School Coffee
3:00 PM Vitas - A Bereavement & Peer
Support Group

Friday, August 23

8:15 AM VLC Back to School Coffee

Saturday, August 24

10:00 AM Al Anon

Sunday, August 25

10:00 AM Traditional Worship Service
11:00 AM Fellowship & Coffee Time
11:00 AM Farewell to Amanda Rowe
11:00 AM Endowment

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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