



# Vanderbilt

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**August 25, 2019**

**10:00 am | Twenty-first 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**

Ruling God, speak Your Word to set us free from the attitudes that cripple, habits that are hurtful, and dispositions that divide. Enlist us as willing disciples so others may meet Jesus Christ through us. Amen.

#### **Prelude:**

“Prelude in Classic Style”

Gordon Young

#### **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. We use responsive or unison readings and prayers at different times. The leader will read the words in italics. The congregation reads the words in bold print.

**Minute for Mission:** Rick Walkenhorst - HELPS Outreach

## PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

### \*Call To Worship

*We come together to listen for the voice of our Creator.*

**We expect to be changed by God's message to us.**

*This is God's holy day, a time to lay aside our narrow interests.*

**We gather to give thanks for God's grace and mercy.**

*Let us worship God.*

### \*Opening Hymn # 289

"O God of Every Nation"

LLANGLOFFAN

### *Prayer of Confession (Unison)*

**We bow in awe before you, powerful God. We have forgotten that you are in charge of the earth. We have neglected the brothers and sisters you have called us to love. We want them to conform to our way of doing things rather than us reaching out to them where they are. Sometimes we would rather continue in our own crippled existence than call on you for help.**

### *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

Rev. Rob Marrow

*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.*

Congregational Response: "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.  
Red, brown, yellow, black and white,  
They are precious in His sight!  
Jesus loves the little children of the world!

### The Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 1:4 - 10

*(Pew Bible Pg. 698 OT)*

*L: The Word of the Lord*

**A: Thanks be to God.**

### The Gospel Reading

Luke 13:10 - 17

*(Pew Bible Pg. 76 NT)*

*L: The Word of the Lord*

**A: Thanks be to God.**

## Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

“Follow the Rules”

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.

Hymn #356

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

NETTLETON

### Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

“Be Thou My Vision”

David Barton

**\*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 #274**

“O God of Earth and Space”

LEONI

**\*Commission & Blessing**

God promises to reign among us and guide us.

**We will worship God in our daily living.**

God is sending us to serve with people who need our help.

**We will not be afraid to act as God directs.**

*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 E 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. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor**

**Liturgist:** Karen Chappler

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

**The Chancel Choir**

**Ushers:** Joe Trees (Captain), Pam and Tim Mitchell, June Peterson, Val Tomsic, Bob Kassing

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 Celebration of Geri & Bill Payne on their 55th wedding anniversary.**

## **WORSHIP TOGETHER**

**Sunday, September 1, 2019**

*22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Worship Time: 10am**

**Music - Prayers - Scripture**

**The Rev. Robert J. Marrow**

*(Jeremiah 2:4-13 / Luke 14:1, 7-14)*

# VPC News

## TODAY'S FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Join us 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.** At our fellowship time, you can relax, mingle, and catch up with friends new and old.

## 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 8<sup>th</sup>** 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 about becoming a VPC Presbyterian. Please call the church office to register: 239-597-5410.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURNS

It's Back to School time! Sunday school begins on **September 8th**. Children will be dismissed after the Children's moment to their classrooms. Call the church office if you have any questions or would like to volunteer with this program.

## CALLING ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

We're throwing a tailgate party in your honor to kick off an exciting season of faith, friends, food and fun. Wear your favorite team shirt! VPC is building a middle school youth group - an unstoppable team committed to Christ and to each other. Join us on **Wednesday, September 4th from 7p-8:30p** in the Youth Center and West Parking Lot. Open to all 6th, 7th and 8th grade students in our church and community. Bring a friend! Regular meetings will continue each Wednesday in the Youth Center from 7p-8:30p during the school year. For information contact [Heather@HamiltonMikes.com](mailto:Heather@HamiltonMikes.com) or visit our Facebook group, [FCA@VPC](https://www.facebook.com/FCA@VPC).

## SOUNDBOARD

We are delighted to note that Caroline Halliwell has volunteered to take on the responsibility of the coordination of our Sound Board. We want to provide the best experience possible for all of the individuals that attend our services and programs; if you have any issues with the sound in the Sanctuary or Narthex – please contact Caroline. Her email is [cchalliwell@outlook.com](mailto:cchalliwell@outlook.com); or text or call her at 239-478-0046. Your Worship, Music and Liturgical Arts committee.

## SUNDAY ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

**First Corinthians Sunday Morning Bible Study** begins 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 will 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 \$8 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, or to purchase the book contact Jon White at [whitej987@cs.com](mailto:whitej987@cs.com) or 254-0324.

**"Christian Ethics?"** This study begins **Oct. 6 at 11 a.m and continues through Dec 15**. We will explore what are our values regarding current news items that confront us daily i.e.: racism, abortion, sexual promiscuity, homosexuality. crime and capital punishment. Is there a base Christian ethic that we live by in these situations? And, can we apply this base to how we function as a Christian Congregation in the midst of North Naples. This brief course will be led by Dr. Thompson with the assistance of Finley Lee. Finley has taught business ethics on the Masters level and will share his insights working with graduates in business. Our source books will be: "Christian Ethics: an Essential Guide" by Robin Lovin, "Christian Ethics: Four Views" by Steve Wilkens, and "Christian Ethics in Plain Language" by Kerby Anderson. The Anderson book will be our basic text. Sign up sheet will be out on Sept. 15; cost for the book will be \$10.00.





## 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 granddaugh-  
ter's husband)

## PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Chas Altman	Deborah Hamilton	Jean Lonergan	The Rensberger Family
Christy	Jim Hart	Judy Malone	Dana Riashi
Joe Cox	Sandra Johnson	Carolyn Michel	The Rose Family
Family of Kitsy Davidson	Danielle Kirby	Vicky Mobley	Ernie Sartorius
Ellie Fiolka	Annette Kocal	Nancy Myers & Family	Ramona Stockman
Jim Fligg	Collette Koch	Ada Nuhn	
Ali Frimpter	Kristen Lapham	Paul	

## Happy Birthday!

Cherry Jacobus 8/25

Gina Truax 8/25

Sebastian Aguilar 8/26

Eleanor Sarina Hoppner 8/29

Sumera Yousaf 8/29

P.E. MacAllister 8/30

Barbara McElwaine 8/30

**\*Peter Schwiers 8/30**

Marlene Barkley 8/31

**\*Janet Kassing 8/31**

Elizabeth Lee 8/31

## Happy Anniversary!

Jackson & Nancy Bell 8/25

Finley & Jean Lee 8/26

Mike & Vicky Crosby 8/27

Dan & Jean Suciu 8/27

Don & Jan Fern 8/29

Bill & Virginia Chandley 8/30

Charles & Charla Henningsen 8/31

Will & Beth McDonough 8/31

Rich & Michelle Yovanoich 8/31

### \*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 25

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

## Monday, August 26

7:37 AM Men's Assn. Golf (Arrowhead G.C.)  
7:00 PM Session  
7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop 274

## Tuesday, August 27

9:00 AM Men's Bible Study  
7:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous

## Wednesday, August 28

10:00 AM FIF Friends in Faith  
2:00 PM Membership & Involvement  
3:30 PM Passage Meditation  
5:30 PM ALL CHURCH Bible Study  
@ VPC -with Pastor Rob

## Thursday, August 29

No Scheduled Meetings

## Friday, August 30

No Scheduled Meetings

## Saturday, August 31

10:00 AM Al Anon

## Sunday, September 1

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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