



## October 27, 2019

### 9:30 am & 11:00 am | Thirtieth 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

Merciful God, who understands our motives and knows our every thought, we seek in these moments to be attuned to your Word and your will, that we may be humbly receptive to Word for us this day. Grant us strength to persevere in our ministry, so others may catch a vision of the joy you offer to all who serve you. Amen.

### Prelude

Prelude in D Minor/Toccata in D Major

J. S. Bach/G. B. Martini

### 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 that the congregation is asked 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.

## PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

### \*Call To Worship *(Responsive)*

*We are in the midst of God's dwelling place.*

**My heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

*Happy and blessed are those whom God has forgiven and named.*

**Our voices rise in praise of God's awesome deeds.**

*Let us worship God.*

### \*Opening Hymn # 260 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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### **Prayer of Confession** *(Unison)*

**How easily we have forgotten you, O God of our salvation. We imagine that our prosperity is of our own design. We wander into paths of self-righteousness and self-congratulation. We compare ourselves with those whose sins are public knowledge and consider ourselves better than they. O God, rescue us from the evil inside us that alienates us from others and from you. We humble ourselves before you, seeking forgiveness.**

**Amen.**

### **Affirmation of Forgiveness**

*Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.*

***In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.***

### \*Gloria Patri # 579

GREATOR EX

**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** *(9:30 am only)*

The Rev. Robert Marrow

Jesus loves me this I know, For the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to Him belong,

They are weak, but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so!

*We welcome and celebrate the presence of children in worship. After the "Children's Moment", 3 year olds through Middle Schoolers are invited to the 9:45 Sunday School.*

### **The Old Testament Reading:**

Joel 2:23-32

*(Pew Bible Pg. 848 OT)*

*L: The Word of the Lord.*

**A: Thanks be to God.**

### **The Gospel Reading**

Luke 18:9-14

*(Pew Bible Pg. 81 NT)*

*L: The Word of the Lord.*

**A: Thanks be to God.**

### **Prayer for Illumination**

## 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.

**\*Special Music**

“Beach Spring”

arr. Stanley Leonard

The Campanile Ringers – Stanley Leonard, Director

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings****Offertory Music**

“Song of Autumn”

James Kirkby

*When the lamps are lit, when the days begin  
to wane,  
When the mountains glow and the creation  
is all aflame,  
We give thanks to him, whose riches from  
the ripened fields we bring,  
And praise him, our God and King.  
As the earth waits in wonder, as winter  
draweth nigh;*

*We await the ancient promise of new birth  
as fields in silence lie.  
May the blessings of this season come to  
you;  
The mist of autumn eve and morning dew;  
For bounteous gifts of fruit and grain our  
harvest hymn we sing,  
And praise to him our God and King.  
Amen.*

**\*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 #262**

“God of the Ages”

NATIONAL HYMN

## **\*Commission & Blessing**

*Be glad and rejoice in God's wondrous works.*

**God forgives our transgressions and is with us in in tough times.**

Return now to the world, proclaiming good news for all to hear.

**All who trust in God are blessed. To God be the glory!**

*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:**

Trumpet Voluntary in D Major

Henry Purcell

*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 Marrow, Pastor**

**Liturgist:** Mary Lynn Myers

**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:** 9:30 am Captain - Andrea Daggett.

11:00 am Captain - Andrea Daggett.

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 arrangement has been donated:**

**In memory of my husband, Nick, from Mary Rench.**

## **WORSHIP TOGETHER**

**Sunday, November 3, 2019**

*All Saints Sunday*

**Worship Time: 9:30 & 11:00 am**

**Music - Prayers - Scripture**

**The Rev. Robert Marrow**

*(Ephesians 1:11-23/ Luke 6:20-31)*

# 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 Stewardship 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. This week's featured ministry is the Personnel & Oversight Team. Be sure to visit the Featured Ministry of the Week table in Fellowship Hall. See how you can become involved.

**Youth Center** (west end of our building): Thank you to The Piipponen 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.

## BIBLE SUNDAY

**Sunday, November 10, 9:30 am** VPC presents our 3rd graders with a Bible every year. Together with the congregation, it is our prayer that this tradition will help your children and family foster a deeper relationship with God. This special Bible is for your child to keep as their very own, to use in their reading and study at home. If you plan on having a child attend and receive a Bible, RSVP Drake at [ddebaun@vpcnaples.org](mailto:ddebaun@vpcnaples.org)

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CIRCLES – “SEEKERS, RUTH & RACHEL”

VPC's

circles nurture each member's faith through prayer and Bible study, support the mission of the church locally and worldwide, and promote a warm and caring community of women that strengthens each individual as well as the church as a whole. We encourage women of the church to look into these circles, as they are a great way to form new and lasting friendships. Each circle usually begins with a time of Bible study and prayer, followed by a time of fellowship. We will be discussing “Love Carved in Stone”, by Eugenia Gamble. Our next meeting, for the Ruth Circle and the Seekers Circle will be Wednesday, **November 6th at 9:30 am** in the Library and then meet every first Wednesday of the month. The next Rachel Circle will meet at 12:45 pm in the Conference Room on November 20 and they meet every 3rd Wednesday of the month. Any questions, please call Karen Schulz at 353-7380.

## TRUNK OR TREAT

Happy Fall Y'all! Come one, come all to our annual Trunk or Treat on **Wednesday, October 30, 5:30pm - 7:00pm** in the West Parking lot. Juicy Burgers, BBQ Chicken Sandwiches and Hot Dogs will be available for purchase from Zack's Food Cart. Kona Ice too! Prizes for best family-friendly costume and trunk. **Please donate a bag of individually wrapped candy to the church office or sign up to decorate your trunk.** Everyone is welcome to enjoy the food and festivities. Contact Heather Mikes, [heather@hamiltonmikes.com](mailto:heather@hamiltonmikes.com)

## WHOLISTIC HEALTH SEMINAR

Friday, November 8 10 am – 12pm. Speaker Amy Schenk from Alzheimers Association joins us for the program “Holidays Dementia Style”. Learn approaches to managing expectations, communicating with family member. An important program for anyone dealing with dementia and those who support caregivers.

## STRESSED? FEELING DOWN? NEED ENCOURAGEMENT?

Stephen Ministers are members of VPC who have been through extensive training and provide confidential, one-to-one, Christian care to people who are experiencing a difficult time. They will listen, care, encourage, pray with and for you, and provide weekly support for you as long as your need persists. If you are hurting contact one of our Stephen Leaders to find out more about Stephen Ministry and how to get a Stephen Minister: Don Sherman at 239-777-0847 ([ds Sherman249@gmail.com](mailto:ds Sherman249@gmail.com)) or Jill Peterson at 239-597-7440 ([petersji72@gmail.com](mailto:petersji72@gmail.com)). Our Stephen Ministers are ready to bring God's love and care into your life.

## WEDNESDAY BOOK CLUB

Wednesday Night Book Club will be “on hiatus” until more of our Snowbirds return. The three members in town are reading Ta-Nehisi Coates' “The Water Dancer,” to be followed by “The Dutch House” by Ann Patchett. If you want to join us, read the books wherever you are and we'll discuss both at our first meeting on January 15. New members are always welcome! Contact Molly Cochran at [Mollyknits53@yahoo.com](mailto:Mollyknits53@yahoo.com) (new email) or 757-291-4034.



## CHICKS WITH STICKS

Chicks with Sticks will meet on Thursday, October 31st at 10:00 AM in the church library. Chicks and Roosters who knit or crochet are welcome! There are rumors that goodies may magically appear - Trick or Treat! Contact Molly Cochran at [Mollyknits53@yahoo.com](mailto:Mollyknits53@yahoo.com) (new email) or 757-291-4034.

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF COLLIER COUNTY

For the past 18 years every Wednesday morning from late October through April at 7:30 a.m., a dedicated group of men and women meet at the church and travel to Immokalee and work together to build homes. On arrival, supervisors list the various opportunities for work and the group breaks into teams. All necessary tools are provided for jobs including: framing, siding, trim, painting, exterior cleanup, shelving, and much more. To join us just wear comfortable work clothes and shoes, bring your own lunch, and no matter what your skill level is, we will find something for you to do that you will find fulfilling and rewarding. At 2:00 we load up and head back to the church. For more information about joining us in Immokalee please call: John Paalman 239-992-3544 Cell 818-642-2976 email: [johnpaalman@yahoo.com](mailto:johnpaalman@yahoo.com)

## SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE

Be a blessing by adopting an angel boy and/or girl during the Christmas season. The Angel Tree will be on display in VPC Fellowship Hall beginning Sunday, November 3 with names of less fortunate and homeless Naples and Immokalee children. No child should be without Christmas joy, cheer, and gifts. This is a great opportunity to spread our love! Please place unwrapped gifts under the Angel Tree by Sunday, Dec. 10, 2019. You can make a huge difference by participating. If you have any questions, please contact Cherie Baines: [ctfl.baines@gmail.com](mailto:ctfl.baines@gmail.com)

**CAFÉ OF LIFE** provides hot meals, a food pantry and clothing. Join us for 2 opportunities to volunteer with the Café of life: Tuesday November 19, 9:30am or Wednesday December 11, 9:30am. Meet at Leitner at Neighborhood Park, Bonita Springs. For additional information, directions to Leitner Park, or to volunteer, please contact Eliza Nevin at [elizanevin@comcast.net](mailto:elizanevin@comcast.net) or [www.cafeoflife.org](http://www.cafeoflife.org)

To make a donation to a VPC mission, make your check payable to VPC and designate the organization on the memo line.

## PARISH LIFE POTLUCK

**Sunday, November 10, 5 -7:30 pm.** Get your recipes ready! Bring your favorite appetizer, side dish salad or dessert! Chicken and beverages will be provided. Sign up in Fellowship Hall. Questions? Call Chris Muddell 239-597-5722

## WELCOME BACK!

Please let us know if you have returned to the area for the season. Updating your mailing address is very important and you will not miss any mailing coming your way!! If you have recently changed your email address or you wish to receive our "E-Pistle", please check out our web site at: [www.vpcnaples.org](http://www.vpcnaples.org) and click on "Subscribe to our newsletter". If you have any questions, please contact the office at 239-597-5410.

## DAYLIGHT SAVING BEGINS NOVEMBER 3

Nobody understands Daylight Saving Time, we just go with it. Set your clocks back next week, so you're not super early for church.

### 2019 Weekly Attendance:

October 20 326

YTD Average 406

### Financial Update - Operating Fund

	Sept	Year to Date	Budget YTD
Operating Income	\$ 66,387	\$ 981,127	\$967,900
Operating Expenses	\$ 102,497	\$ 895,021	\$ 909,000

Deo Gloria Mortgage Balance at September 2019: \$1,791,751

## 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. Grasseti**

(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.

Abigail	Chloe	Henry Hansen	Diane Macadonia	Cassidy Otto
Rich Annunziata	Ruth Cohen	Jim Hart	Judy Malone	Marsha Rust
Tom Badiner	Tom Fields	William Holstein	John McGregor &	Stephanie
Wendy Bennett	Jim Fligg	Sandra Johnson	Family	Ramona Stockman
Tina Berisha	Trisha Gould	Danielle Kirby	Susan Miller	Family of Eric Swaby
Mitch Blackwell	Amber Grider	Annette Kocal	Janet Minch	Alexandria Sze
The Butera Family	Chuck Hall	Landon	Tebbs Moore	Margaret Waters
Carmen Campbell	John Paul Halliwell	Jeff Liverman	Ada Nuhn	Joanne Whitman

## Happy Birthday!

Shelby Gallo 10/27

**\*John Roth 10/27**

Gregory Hudson 10/28

Todd Truax 10/28

Everett Rowe 10/29

Evangeline Mikes 10/31

**\*Doug Dunn 11/02**

Olivia Trees 11/02

## Happy Anniversary!

~No Celebrations this week ~

### **\*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, October 27

9:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
9:45 AM	Sunday School Children & Youth
10:30 AM	Fellowship & Coffee Time
10:45 AM	First Corinthians Sunday Bible Study (Harp Hall)
11:00 AM	"Christian Ethics?" Study Class – Dr. Thompson (Schock Chapel)
11:00 AM	Traditional Worship
12:30 PM	Prospective Members Orientation

## Monday, October 28

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

## Tuesday, October 29

9:00 AM	Men's Bible Study
10:00 AM	Alzheimer's Association
3:00 PM	VandeReaders
5:00 PM	DE Davidson Engineering
7:30 PM	Narcotics Anonymous

## Wednesday, October 30

7:30 AM	Habitat for Humanity – meet @ VPC
5:30 PM	Trunk or Treat
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir

## Thursday, October 31

10:00 AM	Chicks with Sticks
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## Friday, November 1

No Scheduled Events

## Saturday, November 2

10:00 AM	Al Anon
11:00 AM	Usher's Meeting

## Sunday, November 3

9:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
9:45 AM	Sunday School Children & Youth
10:30 AM	Fellowship & Coffee Time
10:45 AM	First Corinthians Sunday Bible Study (Harp Hall)
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## 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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