



## November 10, 2019 9:30 am & 11:00 am | Thirty-Second 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**

Give ear to our prayers, gracious God, and attend to our cries. We call on you knowing that you will answer and make your way known to us. We seek to follow the path you show us. When we need assurance, you gather us in the shadow of your wing. As we mature in faith, you give us wings to fly on our own. Meet each one of us in our particular need this hour. Amen.

**Prelude** 

Organ Voluntary in A-flat Major

William Boyce

## 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 call on God, who is as near as our next breath

We gather to meet God, who has promised to bless us.

God is great and greatly to be praised.

Through many generations, God has acted among us.

Remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

Make a joyful noise and break forth in song.

Our mouths will speak the praise of God.

Let all flesh bless God's holy name.

Let us worship God.

## \*Opening Hymn # 562

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

MELITA

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

All-knowing God, we find ourselves viewing the world from the narrow perspective of our own self-interest. Our anger at others spills over into our words and deeds. We ignore you in our decision making and fail to give thanks to you in our daily living. Without your forgiveness and transforming love, there is little hope for us. Hear us and save us, we pray.

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 - Bible Sunday (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 Psalter Reading:

Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21

(Pew Bible Pg. 581 OT)

L: The Word of the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Luke 20:27-38

(Pew Bible Pg. 84 NT)

L: The Word of the Lord.
A: Thanks be to God.

Hymn: #561 "My Country, Tis of Thee"

**AMERICA** 

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Sermon "Tricky Questions"

The Rev. Robert Marrow

**Ordination and Installation of Church Officers** (11:00 am only)

Presentation
Questions for Ordination and Installation
Questions for the Congregation
Prayer of Ordination and Installation
Welcome

#### **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

### \*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

The Apostles' Creed

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Amen.

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings** 

**Offertory Music** 

"Song for the Unsung Heroes"

Joseph Martin

\*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 #525 "Here I Am, Lord" HERE I AM

## \*Commission & Blessing

God fills us with hope and sends us to share good news.

We been strengthened this day and we have good news to share.

Take courage and sing a new song, as the Spirit abides in you.

We will praise God as long as we live.

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: March in D Major G. F. Handel

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**

Liturgist:

Jim Muir

The Rev. Robert Marrow, Pastor

**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 Co-Captains - Bill and Mary Koppelkam, Jon Hall, Tim and Pat Peters, Becky Wheat 11:00 am Co-Captains Geri & Bill Payne, Judy and Tom Maish, Gene Blanchard, Nena & Emily Beynon, Ben Hood, Bill Cornell

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 arrangements have been donated;

In Honor of All Veterans, from Ron Seiling and Joan Elliott.

In Loving Memory of Robert David Wolfe, son of Ruth Schulte, Don & Family. It has been a year and we miss you and love you.

#### **WORSHIP TOGETHER**

Sunday, November 17, 2019

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship Time: 9:30 & 11:00 am
Music - Prayers - Scripture
The Rev. Robert Marrow

(Isaiah 65:17-25/Luke 21:5-19)

# **VPC News**

#### **TODAY'S FELLOWSHIP HOUR**

Vanderbilt offers 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 Education Ministries 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 Education Ministries Team. Be sure to visit the Featured Ministry of the Week table in Fellowship Hall. See how you can become involved.

#### **CHICKS WITH STICKS**

Chicks with Sticks will meet on **Thursday, November 21st at 10:00 AM** in the church library. This will be our only meeting in November. Everyone who knits or crochets is welcome! Contact Molly Cochran at Mollyknits53@yahoo.com (new email) or 757-291-4034.

#### **HEIFER INTERNATIONAL**

THREE! Three Sundays until you have the opportunity to donate to Heifer International and become a part of the tradition of alternative giving. This mission, started at VPC by Jo Rist, provides us with the opportunity to shop for someone on our Christmas list who doesn't need another tie or necklace or game. Instead, by making a contribution to Heifer International in their honor, we are providing goats, cows, chickens, fresh water, or sending a girl to school. Heifer works to alleviate hunger and poverty around the world by providing livestock and training to needy small-scale farmers and by educating young girls in developing countries. Their mission, simply stated, is to provide nutritious food, shelter, clean water, a decent education, access to health care, and a safe and secure environment for everyone. **December 1st and 8th, we will have the Heifer Table in Fellowship Hall.** 

**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 <a href="mailto:elizanevin@comcast.net">elizanevin@comcast.net</a> or <a href="mailto:www.cafeoflife.org">www.cafeoflife.org</a>

#### THE SHELTER FOR ABUSED WOMEN AND CHILDREN

To make their time as comfortable as possible The Shelter would like to provide them with personal care items such as: shampoo, conditioner, body wash, deodorant, hair products, combs/brushes, and razors. <u>Full family size</u> products are being requested. Collected items can be dropped off at The Shelter Options Shoppe or in the large box marked "The Shelter" in VPC Fellowship Hall! Contact Cherie Baines: 239-776-5652 or send an email: ctfl.baines@gmail.com

#### SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE

Be a blessing by adopting an angel boy and/or girl during the Christmas season. The Angel Tree is on display in VPC Fellowship Hall 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 8, 2019**. Contact Cherie: ctfl.baines@gmail.com

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSIC

Dr. Jim Cochran has extended an exciting invitation to any and all middle schoolers to sing, ring and have some musical fun! If your middle schooler is interested in participating, please meet in Cochran Music Hall from 6:15pm until 6:45pm, (immediately preceding Middle School Youth Group @7p).

#### LIFELINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be in our community on Friday, December 13, 2019 at VPC. Ultrasound screenings to Identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include; Carotid Artery, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, Peripheral Arterial Disease, Heart Rhythm Screening (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation-irregular heartbeat) and an Osteoporosis Risk Assessment for men and women. Register online TODAY at <a href="www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle">www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle</a> and receive your "Community Circle" discount and your preferred appointment time!

#### REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

**Thursday, November 2, 4-6 pm**. VPC and Vitas will be hosting a program of remembrance for community residents and families who touch our lives. Bring photos of your loved ones, share stories and memories. RSVP by Nov 15 to Kelli Adams @ 239-649-2300.

#### **STAFF UPDATE**

Michele Byrd-Gerlach has been working at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church as Dr. Jim Cochran's assistant for over 20 years. She will be adding to her duties at the church by helping in the main office as part of the administrative assistant team. In addition to her work at Vanderbilt, Michele works at Artis—Naples with the Youth and Adult Choruses as the Singing-Skills Instructor and at Trinity-by-the-Cove Episcopal Church as the soprano soloist. She has been a 25-year resident of Naples with her husband, Brice Gerlach and son Colin.

#### SAVE THE DATE

**Sat, Dec 14, 12 pm**, Fellowship Hall. Join the fun and festivities! Enjoy a delicious lunch catered by Leslie Loughran and a program from our very own VandeReaders. Sign up begins next week, Nov 17. Cost is \$25.00 per person.

#### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING NOTICE**

The Congregational Nominating Committee has called for a meeting of the congregation today November **10, 2019** for the purpose of electing officers to fill unexpired terms. The meeting will be held in the Sanctuary around 10:30 AM immediately following the 9:30AM worship service.

#### Nominees:

**Linda Burwinkel** Linda was born, baptized and raised in the Presbyterian Church. She has been a member of the youth fellowship, sung in the choir, and taught Sunday School. She believes in the Trinity with all her heart and soul and knows without a doubt, "I am God's Child". She is honored to be nominated to the Board of Deacons, remembering God's promise that he doesn't call the equipped, but equips those he calls. By that token, "Here I am, Lord."

**Max Gould** Max was raised in New Jersey. He Graduated from R.P.I. with a Bachelor in Electrical Engineering. Max has been an Elder in the Suffern Presbyterian Church and Chairman of the Finance Committee and later Chairman of the Administrative Board of both the Port Washington and the West Hartford United Methodist Churches. Max and his wife Pat moved to Florida full time in 2007 and joined VPC in 2008. As a member of VPC, Max has served as a Deacon and an Elder. He is the Treasurer and a member of the Budget, Finance and Investment and Personnel Oversite Teams. Max and Pat have three children, six grandchildren and one great grandson.

## 2019 Weekly Attendance:

November 3 453

YTD Average 407

## **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. 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) MAI 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 Navv** 

(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.

Antonio Amato	Tom Fields	Family of Phil	Ann Kirwin	Janet Minch
Rich Annunziata	Linda Fitzhugh	Hansen	Annette Kocal	Cassidy Otto
Tom Badiner	Jim Fligg	Henry Hansen	Fran Lauriat and	Marsha Rust
Wendy Bennett	Trisha Gould	Hank Hanson	Family	Robin Ryan
Mitch Blackwell	Lillia Guttshall	Jim Hart	Jeff Liverman	Stephanie
The Butera Family	Jonathan	Brenda Himler	Diane Macadonia	Family of Eric Swaby
Carmen Campbell	Chuck Hall	William Holstein	Judy Malone	Margaret Waters
Ruth Cohen	John Paul Halliwell	Sandra Johnson	Marilyn McKee	Morris "Mo" White
The Eliot Family	Diane Hallock	Danielle Kirby	Susan Miller	Carole Williams

We are sad to announce the death of **Drew Crichton**, son of Fran Lauriat. Please keep Fran and her family in your prayers. We are sad to also announce the death of VPC member Phil Hansen. Please keep Ann and the Hansen family in prayer.

## **Happy Birthday!**

## **Happy Anniversary!**

*Frederick Biere	11/10	*Tarie Curtiss	11/13	Mason & Patricia Colby	11/11
*Jim Hawkins	11/10	Susan Lefebvre	11/14	Janet & Bob Kassing	11/12
*Bill Payne	11/10	Kathe Hall	11/15	April & Mark Royan	11/12
Barbara Henry	11/10	Ben Hood	11/15	Alfred & Dorothy Williams	11/13
Lindsey Smith	11/12			Robert & Shirley Schwindt	11/15
Martha Broeker	11/13			•	•

#### \*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 Wook at a Clanco

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Sunday, November 10		2:00 PM	Personnel POT Mtg
9:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service	5:30 PM	ALL CHURCH Bible Study@ VPC
9:45 AM	Sunday School Children & Youth	5:30 PM	Alleluia Choir
10:30 AM	Fellowship & Coffee Time	6:15 PM	Middle School Music
10:30 AM	Blood Pressure Screening	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir
10:30 AM	Congregational Meeting	7:00 PM	Middle School Youth Group
10:45 AM	First Corinthians Sunday Bible	Thursday, November 1	4
	Study (Harp Hall)	9:30 AM	Stated Meeting - offsite
11:00 AM	"Christian Ethics?" Study Class –	3:00 PM	Vitas
	Dr. Thompson (Schock Chapel)	7:00 PM	SM Continuing Ed Team
11:00 AM	Traditional Worship	7:30 PM	Corvettes of Naples
5:00 PM	All Church Potluck	Friday, November 15	
Monday, November 11		-	No Scheduled meetings
7:37 AM	Men's Assn. Golf (Arrowhead G.C.)	Saturday, November 1	6
5:00 PM	EMT Meeting	10:00 AM	Al Anon
5:00 PM	Stewardship	Sunday, November 17	
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts Troop 274	9:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
		9:45 AM	Sunday School Children & Youth
Tuesday, November 12		10:30 AM	Fellowship & Coffee Time
9:00 AM	Men's Bible Study	10:40 AM	Service of Wholenss & Healing
3:00 PM	VandeReaders	10:45 AM	First Corinthians Sunday Bible
5:30 PM	Social Justice Team Mtg		Study (Harp Hall)
6:00 PM	Grand Piano Series Pre Concert Talk	11:00 AM	"Christian Ethics?" Study Class –
6:00 PM	Passage Meditation		Dr. Thompson (Schock Chapel)
7:00 PM	Board of Deacons	11:00 AM	Traditional Worship
7:00 PM	Grand Piano Series	11:00 AM	Parish Life Tm Meeting
7:30 PM	Narcotics Anonymous	4:00 PM	VPC Concert Series:
Wednesday, November 13			Cochran Prize Winner
7:30 AM	Habitat for Humanity – meet @ VPC		

#### 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.

