



Vanderbilt

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



February 23, 2020

9:30 am & 11:00 am—Transfiguration of the Lord

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. Large print hymnals are available upon request. See an usher.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prayer of Preparation

God of mountaintops and valleys, whose rule extends beyond the ends of the earth to embrace the unfathomed reaches of time and space, grant to us a vision of your intention for our lives and equip us to fulfill the destiny you entrust to us as followers of Jesus Christ. Banish our fear of one another that we may experience together the awesome wonder of community, serving you in awe and wonder. Amen.

Prelude: Chorale Prelude on “Lovely”

Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872-1958)

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 asterisk (*) 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**.

A Moment for Stewardship

“Generosity Empowers Our Vision”

Bill Beynon

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD’S WORD

*Call to Worship *(Responsive)*

*Come up to the mountain of God’s presence.
Wait for God to reveal divine intentions for us.*

**We are eyewitnesses to God’s majesty.
We have sensed God’s presence in stories of Jesus.**

*Look up, and do not be afraid.
Jesus, whom you seek, is transfigured before you.*

**We will serve our God with fear and trembling.
Happy are those whose refuge is in God.**

Let us worship God.

*Opening Hymn: # 467 How Great Thou Art

O STORE GUD

1. O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed;
Refrain:
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:
Refrain
3. And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin;
Refrain
4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!
Refrain

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *(unison)*

God of dazzling splendor, we confess that we have lived in a cloud, hiding from your glory and pretending not to notice the wonders of your majesty. The mystery of life eludes us because we take for granted what seems commonplace and refuse to deal with matters beyond our understanding. We have tried to put our religion in a compartment separate from the rest of life. We have not thought to serve you in everyday encounters. Shake our complacency, we pray, and awaken us to new life in all its fullness. Amen.

Affirmation of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri # 579

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

Special Music: "Trumpet Sinfonia"

Campanile Ringers—Stanley Leonard, Director

Antonio Vivaldi
(1678-1741)
arr. Thompson

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

Children's Moment (9:30 am only)

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

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 9:45am Sunday School.

The Old Testament Reading

Exodus 24:12-18

(Pew Bible page 70 OT)

L: The Word of the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 17:1-9

(Pew Bible page 18 NT)

L: The Word of the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

"Will We Listen?"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Receiving of New Members

Cynthia Arnold

Rick and Ruth Bethem

Michael and Debra Bevilacqua

Lesley Dey

Carolyn Elmore

Melodie Esposito

Timothy (Tim) and Chari Grove

Rob and Gayle Kaderly

Phyllis MacBeth

Fred and Barbara Minter

Cindy Russell

Gary and Elle (Eleanor) Shepherd

Michael and Nicole Smith

Jack (John) and Rosemary Ufheil

Presentation

Profession of Faith/Renunciations

***The Apostles' Creed** (Responsive)

Do you believe in God the Father Almighty?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

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.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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.

Commitment questions to the Congregation:

Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture these individuals by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of the church? Do you?

We do.

Commitment questions to the New Members

Prayer

Litany of Welcome

We welcome you into this fellowship of believers.

We are one in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

We welcome you into the body of Christ.

We are the body whose head is Christ.

We welcome you into this ministry of servanthood.

Jesus calls us to join together in discipleship.

We welcome you.

We welcome you in the name of our Lord Jesus. We, the members of Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church, bid you welcome to its work and worship, and pledge to you our Christian Fellowship. We pray that all of us may grow into the likeness of Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus we make this promise. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music: "Praise Ye the Lord! Hallelujah!"

J. Jefferson Cleveland
(1937-1986)

***Doxology # 592**

**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

Prayers 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, LORD

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain.
I have borne My people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone.
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My word to them. Whom shall I send?
Refrain

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?
Refrain

*Commission and Blessing

*We have been to the mountaintop with Moses.
We know that God's established order brings life.*

**God is our refuge and our inspiration.
Prayer empowers our thinking and our doing.**

*We have caught the vision of the disciples.
We will know life abundant as followers of Jesus.*

**The Spirit sends us into the world to serve.
We share the message: We are beloved by God.**

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: "Hornpipe"

G.F. Handel
(1685-1759)

*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.*

**The flowers on the chancel are donated in loving memory of Carol Anne Wiebel by
the Wiebel and Stoner Families.**

Scripture Passages for the following week:

First Sunday of Lent

Old Testament: Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:1-11

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor

Laura Marzano, Liturgist

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:

9:30am: Andrea Daggett (*Captain*), Jerry Warnken, Tom Hurley, Elaine Hinkle, George Morton, Bill Faude, Dianne Westerlund, and Barbara Hurst

11am: Andrea Daggett (*Captain*), Nancy Malecek, Vicky Spaulding, Doug Dunn, Greg Hudson, and Sue & Bill Van Fossen

Soundboard Operators: 9:30am: Pete DeBaun and 11 am: Dave Curtiss

VPC NEWS

Please take your bulletin home for reference.

You will find many opportunities for you to participate in your church listed below.

PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

Cynthia Arnold is becoming a Full-Time member by Letter of Transfer from State College Presbyterian Church in Minneapolis. She has a background in fundraising and marketing and is founding a non-profit to help market art for indigenous artists. She has volunteered as a Sunday School teacher for ten years and is interested in getting involved in Education & Family Ministries and the Mission & Social Justice Ministry.



Rick and Ruth Bethem, natives from Pennsylvania, moved to Naples full time by way of Northern Virginia in 1997. Rick is a semi-retired professional photographer who currently has an architectural photography business and Ruth is a full time real estate broker for the last 20 years, currently with Premiere Plus Realty. Married in 1984 on the beach at Lowdermilk Park, they set their sights on making Naples their permanent home after the Rick's son and daughter were on their own. They moved full time in 1997 and have resided in Imperial for the last 15 years. Rick, a Lutheran from the Pittsburgh suburbs and Ruth raised in the UCC church in the Allentown suburbs, both have varied hobbies and are looking forward to making VPC their permanent church home. They join today, by Letter of Transfer from Naples UCC.

Michael and Debra Bevilacqua are becoming full-time members by Letter of Transfer from Christ Presbyterian Church in Edina, Minnesota and call Island Walk home. Both have served the church as Elders. Michael has also been a Deacon as well as a Sunday School teacher, youth advisor, Building Committee Chair, Men's Group and Liturgist. Work experience was as a business exec. and consultant. Areas of interest at VPC are Men's Association and Habitat volunteer. He enjoys golf and travel. Debra is a retired orthodontist assistant who likes to sing, walk and swim. Both enjoy ballroom dancing. Church experience includes chancel choir, Sunday School teacher and women's Bible study. They have two daughters and six grandchildren.





Lesley Dey joins full-time by Reaffirmation of Faith. She lives in Willoughby Acres and is mother of three. Lesley, a medical assistant, enjoys reading and quiet time. She has served on a young adult's Praise Team and would like to see a young adult's group at VPC. Areas of service would include book groups/studies, ushering and helping with Fellowship Hour. She has skills to share in the areas of technology and medical (Blood Pressure readings.)

Carolyn Elmore is widowed and lives in Heritage Bay. She comes as an Affiliate Member from Bethesda United Methodist Church in Salisbury, Maryland. Professional experience was in Education Administration and Curriculum Development. She has three children and eight grandchildren. Church experience includes Sunday School and Bible School Teacher, Liturgist, Chancel Choir, Women's Association Couples Group, Trustee and Church Council. Interests include reading, bridge, dominoes, travel and walking. Interests at VPC include Education and Family Ministries. Book Club, FIF, choir, liturgist and ushering.



Melodie Esposito is joining as a Full-Time Member by Reaffirmation of Faith. Originally from Pennsylvania, she lives with her husband, Eddy, on Gulfshore Drive.

Timothy (Tim) and Chari Grove will be Affiliate Members from First Presbyterian Church of Saline, Michigan. Both have been Elders. A retired teacher, Tim enjoys golf and Lions Club. Church experience includes many Christian Education positions. At VPC he would enjoy counting and calling weekly visitors, gardening and helping distribute mission funds. Chari is a retired attorney whose interests include scrapbooking, photography, painting and reading. She has been a youth group teacher and participated in Bible studies. Tim and Chari have three daughters, four grandsons and twin grandchildren on the way.



Rob and Gayle Kaderly join Full-Time by Letter of Transfer from Valley Lutheran Church, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, and call Corkscrew Shores in Estero home. Rob is a retired Veterinary Surgeon who enjoys painting and other art and sports. Gayle ran a Veterinary Surgical Center and did Trade Mission work to Japan. Past church experience includes Altar Guild and Women's Association.

Phyllis MacBeth lives in Pebble Shores with husband, Douglas, and will be joining as an Affiliate Member from Park Road Presbyterian Church, Wyomissing, Pennsylvania. She is a retired preschool owner/director and teacher. She has four children and seven grandchildren. Past Methodist church experience includes lay leader, President of United Methodist Women, Sunday School teacher, pastor/parish committee, and preschool coordinator. She volunteers at Barefoot Beach Preserve and attends VPC card ministry and FIF. She would like to assist with the Sunday Welcome Center.



Fred and Barbara Minter will be Full-Time members, coming by Reaffirmation of Faith. They were raised in Pennsylvania and return there for the summer. Fred was in the industrial machine business, retiring as president. Interests at VPC include collecting weekly attendance, calling visitors and pew supply checks. Barbara's interests include golf and cards. She has volunteered in the gift shop of a local hospital. The Minters raised two sons, one of whom survives and have six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.



Cindy Russell calls Carlton Lakes home and will be a Full-Time Member by Letter of Transfer from First Presbyterian Church of Grand Island, Nebraska. Cindy is, at present, a sales associate at Tommy Bahama and is a certified Personal Trainer (past entrepreneur). She has also worked with people with Parkinson's. Church experience includes choir, youth fellowship, Sunday School teacher and summer Bible Camp leader. An interest at VPC is Mission and Social Justice.

Gary and Elle (Eleanor) Shepherd live in Corkscrew Shores in Estero and come to VPC Full-Time by Reaffirmation of Faith. Gary has served as an Elder and Clerk of Session at Covenant Church in Naples. Gary enjoys outdoor sports, horses, carpentry and is a self-described "jack of all trades." Elle's interests include knitting for charity, reading and home Bible Study. Her church experience has included Sunday School teacher, shut-in meals, Bible Studies, Greeter and small groups. Her ability to be active now is limited, but would be interested in the Prayer Chain and the knitting group. Gary and Elle have four daughters.



Michael and Nicole Smith are joining Full-Time by Letter of Transfer from Trinity-by-the-Cove. They reside in Pebblebrook Lakes with 16 month old, Tyler and are welcoming another baby this summer. Michael is a luxury systems designer; Nicole's previous field was Master Level Practitioner in a community health setting. Nicole is interested in serving as Nursery Helper and Preschool volunteer as well as Mission and Social Justice Ministries.

Jack (John) and Rosemary Ufheil are residents of Vi at Bentley and are joining Full-Time by Reaffirmation of Faith. Originally from Illinois, Jack and Rosemary have moved 18 times in the U.S., Belgium and South Africa. Jack's vocational background was in the health care industry while Rosemary is a retired nurse. Both enjoy golf and bocce. Jack cheers on the Green Bay Packers and St. Louis Cardinal's. Rosemary's interests include Book Club, gardening, flowers and bridge. They are the parents of three.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP

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 Committee 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. Be sure to visit the Featured Ministry of the Week table in Fellowship Hall. See how you can become involved. There will be all church fellowship today, so families with young children, please gather in the Fellowship Hall instead of the Youth Center this morning.

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

PLAN AHEAD FOR THE SPRING FLING! Join us in the West Parking Lot for a celebration of Spring! Carnival games—Zack's Food Cart—neighborhood fun! Friday, March 27 from 6-7:30pm. Sign-up in Fellowship Hall or contact Drake DeBaun (ddebaun@vpcnaples.org) for more information.

CHICKS WITH STICKS will meet on February 27th at 10:00 am in the VPC Library. Projects include prayer shawls, prayer squares, baby blankets, chemo caps and more, knitted or crocheted with prayers & love for the recipients. All are welcome! Info: Molly Cochran at 757-291-4034 or Mollyknits53@yahoo.com.

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO SERVE YOUR CHURCH? We are in **urgent** need of more ushers for both the 9:30 am and 11:00 am Worship Services, as well as the VPC Concert Series. Serving as an Usher is an easy and worthwhile way to get to know our members while presenting the welcoming face of VPC. We urge you to prayerfully consider joining one of our the Usher Teams, which serve on a rotation once every four weeks. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please email Andrea Daggett (andrea.daggett@comcast.net) or speak to an usher today! Please know that ushering is an extension of our worship service experience and those who serve are remembered and appreciated by all.

"GETTING TO KNOW YOU " LUNCH will be held on **Friday, March 20 at Vi at Bentley Village 12-2pm**. You won't want to miss this wonderful way for longtime members to meet newcomers. Share a delicious lunch and hear a one minute personal introduction as you discover common roots, friends, and interests. This is a very popular event so sign up early: 597-5410 during the week 9am - 4pm; online at vpcnaples.org or Fellowship Hall, Narthex on Sundays before and after services.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CARDS FROM OUR RECYCLED CARDS MINISTRY TEAM: Stock up on your greeting cards before St. Patrick's Day! We have a wonderful selection on the card rack, located by the weekday entrance, on the right hand side. The card recyclers meet at the church on the **first and third Monday of the month, 9am to 12pm**. If you are interested in joining this group, just come and enjoy the fun. New members are always welcome!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATION

SUNDAY SEMINAR: Today, 11 a.m., Harp Hall. Our study of the "lost scriptures" of the New Testament continues this morning with *The Gospel of Thomas*, a short book of quotations attributed to Jesus and collected by his "twin brother" Thomas. Buried for 1600 years in the Egyptian desert, their place among early Christian writings is now hotly debated by Biblical scholars. All are welcome.

JOIN IN A PANEL DISCUSSION SPONSORED BY THE WHOLISTIC HEALTH TEAM: What to Ask/Know When Searching for Assisted Living or Memory Care Facility—Moderator: Kristi Lykos. Beyond the room size, what do we need to know for making the best choice as we look to move to a facility. Hear from the experts in this field. Friday, March 13, 2020 from 10am-12pm in Harp Hall. Lunch provided. Please register by calling the church. Seating is limited.

WE NEED VBS VOLUNTEERS: When you are making your plans for the summer, remember to help the children and spread the love of God! June 29—July 3, 8:30am—12pm. Sign up in Fellowship Hall or contact Heather Mikes (heather@hamiltonmikes.com) for more information.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MISSION



SERVE AT MISIÓN PENIEL ON FRIDAY MARCH 13: Be part of a volunteer group from our church serving the farmworkers, their families and others in need in Immokalee. We leave the church in the van at 1pm and return about 7pm. We organize and distribute a hot meal, dry food, clothing, diapers and other donated household items. It is an experience that will warm your heart as you work together as a team and interact with those we serve. If you are interested in participating, please email Pete Rodino at pyrodino@aol.com.

CLOTHING DRIVE FOR MISIÓN PENIEL : Can't participate in the serving opportunity described above? We are also conducting a clothing drive for Misión Peniel. We are collecting children's clothes, sizes 2T-8, new or used in good condition (clean with no stains, rips, etc.). Simply bring these clothes to the church in a bag marked "Peniel" and we will bring them to Immokalee for distribution. Thank you for your support!

THANK YOU! Boy Scout Troop 274 had a great response to their car wash from family, friends, the community and members of VPC. Thank you to one and all who aided in helping the Scouts raise money to pay their own way to Scout camp this coming summer. The troop's treasurer reports that \$560 was raised through the generous support of many. At one point, there were six cars in line to be washed.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF COLLIER COUNTY. Wednesdays at 7:30 am we meet at VPC to go out to Habitat for Humanity. To join us, just wear comfortable work clothes and bring your own lunch. At 2pm we load up and head back to the church. For more information, please call Bill Payne (239-593-5529) (Cell: 239-776-4018) email: paynegnb@comcast.net.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR HELP



STEPHEN MINISTERS ARE THERE TO CARE: Are you going through a difficult time—emotionally, spiritually, or relationally? Are you lonely, experiencing a crisis, or simply stressed by everyday life? You don't have to suffer alone. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers, ready to listen, care for and encourage you, pray with and for you, and provide confidential one-to-one Christian care to help you through whatever it is that you are facing. To find out more, talk with one of our Stephen Leaders: Don Sherman at 239-777-0847 (dsherman249@gmail.com) or Jill Peterson at 239-597-7440 (petersji72@gmail.com).

ARE YOU NEW TO VANDERBILT PRESBYTERIAN? We would like to get to know you! Please stop by the Welcome Center in the Narthex to fill out a **BLUE CARD**. We will have someone from the Membership Team contact you to answer any questions you have about our church.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING NOTICE. At its January meeting your Session approved March 8, 2020 as the date for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation. The meeting will be held immediately following the 9:30 service (10:30) for the purpose of electing the next class of VPC officers (Elder, Deacon), members of the Congregational Nominations Committee, and Directors for the VPC Endowment Trust Board, approving the Terms of Pastoral Call, and receiving the Annual Report.

ATTENDANCE: Total attendance for Sunday, February 16, 2020—597.
Average attendance in 2020—588.

WHITE GIVING ENVELOPES AND PHOTO DIRECTORIES: Are in the Narthex for you to pick up at your earliest convenience.

FINANCIAL UPDATE—OPERATING FUND: January 2020:

| | January | YTD | Budget |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| Operating Income | \$ 170,124 | \$ 170,124 | \$ 152,900 |
| Expenses | \$ 108,850 | \$ 108,850 | \$ 102,200 |
| Deo Mortgage Balance | 1/31/2020 | \$ 1,746,137 | |

*“Let all that you do be done with **Love**”*

1 Corínthians 16:14

Happy Birthday!

*Andrea Daggett 2/23
 Thomas Loughran 2/23
 Gee-Gee Schilling 2/23
 *Dave Windley 2/23
 *Emily Beynon 2/24
 Yvonne Van Rooyen 2/24
 Andrew Royan 2/25
 Mauricio Aguilar 2/26
 *Joyce Geary 2/26
 Mary Ann Koppelkam 2/26

*Terry Mountford 2/26
 Ed Haller 2/27
 June Johnson 2/27
 Carson Kepen 2/27
 Marcy Dietz 2/29

Happy Anniversary!

Gina & Todd Truax 2/28
 Elizabeth & Al Todd 2/28

*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!



Prayer Concerns

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



Annie
 Rich Annunziata
 Loraine Atkinson
 Bob
 Kathleen Bradford

Carrie
 Fernando Castillo
 Ruth Cohen
 Denise Cross
 David Daugherty
 Margaret Degler
 Asia Elsbree
 Jim Fligg
 Joseph Gagliano
 Janel Geary
 John Gianola
 Gary Gorran
 Trisha Gould
 Linda & the Haggett Family
 John Paul Halliwell

Rachel Harris
 Barbara Hurst
 John
 Jonathan
 Roger K.
 Bob Kassing
 Family of Annette Kocal
 Janet Lindsey
 Susy Lotze
 Carolyn Magarro
 Judy Malone
 Ana Mederos
 Henry Miller
 Estella Morroni
 Domenico Paglia

Christopher Parent
 Ira Rimerman
 Carol Rodkey
 Robin Ryan
 Mike S.
 Bill Scouler
 Tom Sletto
 Christina Soriero
 Terry
 Annie Throckmorton
 Laura Warnken
 CC Waskey
 Connor White

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

CPTN Allen Fujinaka
 US Army
 (LaVerne Perrollaz's grandson)

CPTN Jennifer Giles
 USMC, Philippines
 (Mary Giles' granddaughter)

CPTN Jeremy Giles
 US Army Special Forces,
 Ft. Bragg, NC
 (Mary Giles' grandson)

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

MAJ Robert Gruber, USMC
LT CDR Marjorie Gruber, US Navy
 Camp Pendleton, CA
 (Bob Gruber & Marion Johnson's son & daughter in law)

E-3 Jacob Guzman
 US Army—USA
 (Cesar Guzman's son)

Lt. Devon Hennessey
 Just returned to Texas from Afganistan
 (Toni Hubbard)

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

LCDR 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)

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

1st LT Andrew P. Vadyak
 USMC

Okinawa, Japan
Hadley Vadyak
 USNA Class of 2020

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



VPC WEEK AT A GLANCE



New Members Are Joining

Sunday, February 23 - Introduction of New Members

- 9:30 am Traditional Worship Service
- 9:45 am Sunday School Children & Youth
- 10:30 am Fellowship & Coffee Time
- 11:00 am "The Sunday Seminar" - Adult Study
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 4:00 pm Seraphic Fire Concert

Monday, February 24

- 10:00 am Comfort Quilters
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts—Troop 274
- 7:00 pm Session

Tuesday, February 25

- 9:00 am Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 am Alzheimer's Association
- 3:00 pm VandeReaders
- 5:30 pm CNC Meeting
- 7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday, February 26 - Ash Wednesday

- 7:30 am Habitat for Humanity—meet at VPC
- 10:00 am FIF Friends in Faith
- 3:00 pm Passage Meditation
- 6:00 pm Ash Wednesday Worship Service with Communion
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 27

- 10:00 am Chicks with Sticks
- 3:00 pm Vitas—A Bereavement & Peer Support Group
- 5:00 pm Capernaum

Friday, February 28

- 11:00 am Memorial Garden Committee

Saturday, February 29

- 10:00 am Al Anon

Sunday, March 1 - 1st Sunday of Lent

- 9:30 am Traditional Worship Service
- 9:45 am Sunday School Children & Youth
- 10:30 am Fellowship & Coffee Time
- 11:00 am "The Sunday Seminar" - Adult Study
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship Service

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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