

Vanderbilt

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 12, 2020

Easter Sunday

Psalm 118:1-2

*O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!*

*Let Israel say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."*



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Prelude: "Voluntary in D Major"

William Boyce
(1711-1779)

Call to Worship

Day has dawned and shadows are left behind

The stone is rolled away and hope is reborn.

This is the day that our God has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

God opens to us the gates of righteousness.

We enter to give thanks to our God.

We give thanks, for our God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

He is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Prayer of Confession

O God, the message of Easter has come again before we were ready to receive it. The Palm Sunday parade demanded very little of us. We could join in the hosannas. But the betrayal and denial, the suffering and shame, the agony and death, have left us fearful and shaken. We have become enemies of Jesus without intending to be disloyal. We have left him in the tomb, lest he upset our daily lives. The Jesus of long ago seems more comfortable to us than the Christ who is risen today in our midst. We confess our reluctance to let Christ claim us and change us. O God, we need forgiveness! Amen.

Moment for Children

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Hymn: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as God's love, Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

The First Reading**Acts 10:34-43**

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Musical Interlude: "Sanctus" From St. Cecilia Mass

Charles Gounod
(1818-1893)

Prayer for Illumination**The New Testament Reading****John 20:1-18**

¹ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes. ¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹² and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Message

"Lingering Darkness"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Offering

Offertory: "The Holy City"

Stephen Adams
(1841-1913)

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.

Benediction

Benediction Response:

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

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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: "III. Allegro" from Concerto in B-flat Major

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WORSHIP LEADERS

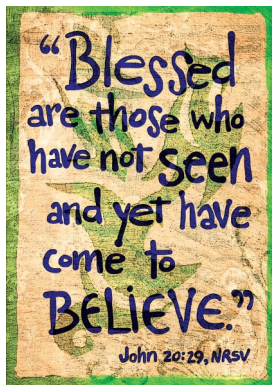
The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor

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.*

Teddy Collins, Tenor

Matthew Sonneborn, Trumpet

Soundboard Operators: Victoria Bonavita & Dave Curtiss



Scripture Passages for the following week:

April 19, 2020—The Second Sunday of Easter

First Scripture Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

Thank you...

The entire staff of Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church would like to thank you, the congregation, for your love and concern during this very difficult time. We are working to keep you informed and hope that if we can do something for you, you will let us know. We are sending you all love during this Eastertide.

The Lord is Risen, Indeed!

Happy Birthday!

Marian Cattrell	4/12
*Wealtha Flick	4/12
Dick Hardgrove	4/12
Gary Christensen	4/13
Donna Wolf	4/13
*Jim Flick	4/14
Arline Kirk	4/14
Lois Ann Folliard	4/15
McKenzie McDonough	4/16
Jonathan Raskauskas	4/16
*Ells Bowser	4/17

Happy Anniversary!

Penny & Rodger	4/12
Peggy & Stan Leonard	4/13
Joanne & Ellsworth Bowser	4/17

*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.

Abigail	Janel Geary	Christopher Parent
Jerry Alfieri	Gary Gorran	Mario Regoli
Annie	Barbara Hurst	Carol Rodkey
Gordon Black	Michael Jeskey	Julio Rodriguez
Kathleen Bradford	Bob Kassing	Marsha Rust
Family of Carmen	Kirsten	Metty Ryan
Cassidy	LaDonna Lass	Robin Ryan
Fernando Castillo	Kristen Linfante	Don Schulte
Ruth Cohen	Judy Malone	Suzanne Waylonis
David Daugherty	Mark	Laura Warnken
Dave	Henry Miller	CC Waskey
Connie Dawson	Carolyn Moore	Will & Heather & Family
Margaret Degler	The Morroni Family	Zoey
Erin Falluca	Nate	
Jim Fligg	Bob Ordanas	
Joseph Gagliano	Domenico Paglia	



For people in this country and throughout the world suffering and coping with the Coronavirus disease.

For Doctors, Nurses, and Medical Teams giving their best to provide care for those suffering in hospitals and other medical facilities.

For leaders in government (Nationally, State, & Locally) and throughout the world making tough decisions during this difficult time.

For our church and all churches providing comfort to all and leading us in new ways of worship and service to each other.

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. Grasseti
(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 Afghanistan
(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)



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