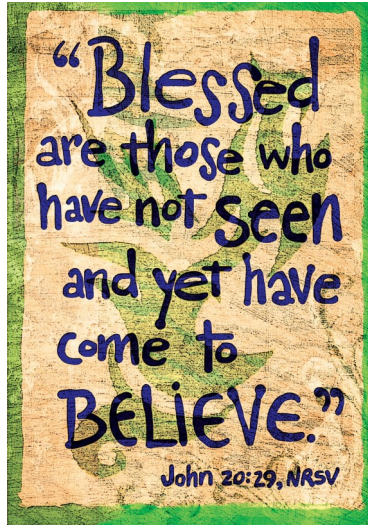




Vanderbilt

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



April 19, 2020

The Second Sunday of Easter

Psalm 16

*You show me the path of life.
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Prelude: Sonata II for Horn and String Orchestra
Largo
Allegro

Luigi Cherubini
(1760 – 1842)

Ryan Little, Horn

Call to Worship

We come again to celebrate resurrection.

God gives us new birth into a living hope.

Our hearts are glad, our souls rejoice.

God shows us the path of life.

Again, Jesus says to us: Peace be with you,

Come to receive life in Christ's name.

We rejoice in God's amazing good news.

In God's presence, we find fullness of joy.

Prayer of Confession

Forgive us, God, for seeking to limit your truth to what we can understand. Forgive us for chasing after gods of our own making. We are so busy with them that we forget to open ourselves to your larger reality. We reduce the circles of connection and caring that Jesus demonstrated. Goodness is crucified by our narrow prejudices, and our doubts plunge us into despair. Be to us a refuge, granting us courage to face the questions that haunt us until they lead to deeper understanding. Amen.

Moment for Children

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Hymn: "Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

HYMN TO JOY

1. Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna!
Celebrate this day of days!
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder:
All creation is amazed.
In the desert all-surrounding,
See, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding
Bring a taste of love unknown.

2. Christ is risen! Raise your spirits
From the caverns of despair.
Walk with gladness in the morning.
See what love can do and dare.
Drink the wine of resurrection,
Not a servant, but a friend.
Jesus is our strong companion.
Joy and peace shall never end.

The First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ²² "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— ²³ this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴ But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵ For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; ²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. ²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. ²⁸ You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' ²⁹ "Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹ Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.'
³² This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

Hymn: "Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

HYMN TO JOY

3. Christ is risen! Earth and heaven
Nevermore shall be the same.
Break the bread of new creation
Where the world is still in pain.

Tell its grim, demonic chorus:
"Christ is risen! Get you gone!"
God the First and Last is with us.
Sing Hosanna, everyone!

Prayer for Illumination

The New Testament Reading

John 20:19-31

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I

see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.”²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.”²⁸ Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!”²⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Message

“My Lord and My God”

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Offering

Offertory: “Pie Jesu” from Requiem in D Minor

(Blessed Lord Jesus, grant them everlasting rest.)

Ryan Little, Horn

Gabriel Fauré

(1845 – 1924)

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.

Commission and Blessing

Jesus says to us again: Peace be with you.

As God has sent me, so I send you.

We receive God’s peace into our lives.

We will go where Christ sends us.

Alleluia!

Amen!

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: Trumpet Tune in D Major

David N. Johnson

(1922-1987)

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.*

Ryan Little, horn

Ryan Little was appointed as Principal Horn of the Naples Philharmonic in April 2017 by Music Director Andrey Boreyko. Born in Burke, Virginia to a musical family, he began studying piano at age 3 before switching to viola, trumpet, and eventually to horn at the age of 10. Ryan received his MM degree from Rice University and his BM degree from Northwestern University. Ryan has performed as Guest Principal Horn with the many symphonies in the United States and Europe. He won Second Prize and the Gretchen Snedeker Prize at the 2013 International Horn Competition of America and in 2014 was selected as a finalist at the Aeolus International Competition for Wind Instruments in Düsseldorf, Germany.

Michele Byrd, soprano

Soundboard Operators: Victoria Bonavita & Dave Curtiss

**Scripture Passage for the following week:
April 26, 2020—The Third Sunday of Easter
Scripture Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41**

VPC NEWS

In light of the recent actions and advice provided by health experts and government officials regarding Coronavirus/COVID-19, the VPC Session decided to extend the suspension of our public worship gatherings, activities, and programming until **May 3, 2020**. This includes Palm Sunday, Holy Week special services, Easter services, as well Sunday school classes and other Sunday activities planned during the month of April. The Session understands the importance of modeling appropriate social distancing for the safety and well-being of the larger community.

During this time, VPC will continue to record our weekly services of worship and post them to the Sermon Library, found on our website (www.vpcnaples.org). Sermons and other video materials, such as Pastor Rob's Daily Psalm Reading, are also available on the Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church Facebook page. We are working to make this available on the VPC website.

Instead of coming into the church, please call us (597-5410) or email Barbara Bonavita (bbonavita@vpcnaples.org), Lisa Lloyd (llloyd@vpcnaples.org) or Michele Byrd (mbyrd@vpcnaples.org) if you need assistance of any kind.

The Session will be meeting again on Monday, April 27, 2020 to decide how best to proceed at VPC. Please keep them in your prayers.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR HELP

STRESSED? FEELING DOWN? NEED ENCOURAGEMENT?: Stephen Ministers don't just provide care for people experiencing a major crisis. They also provide care and support for people weighed down by the little things in life. If you're feeling down, lonely, stressed, or discouraged, you could benefit from the care, support, and encouragement of a Stephen Minister. It's free. It's confidential. And it will really make a difference in your life! Find out more by talking 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).

THE SHELTER FOR ABUSED WOMEN & CHILDREN IS THERE TO HELP: Now as never before, it is vital that the community help spread the word about services provided by The Shelter for Abused Women & Children. The same health protocols and regulations established to protect the public pose significant challenges and risk to victims of domestic violence. Your assistance is critical to saving lives. If you see something, say something. Call 911. If you or someone you know is affected by domestic violence, call The Shelter's **24-hour Crisis Line at 239-775-1101**. Victims can also email info@naplesshelter.org to access information and assistance.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

FINANCIAL UPDATE—OPERATING FUND: March 2020:

	March	YTD	Budget
Operating Income	\$ 104,651	\$ 436,519	\$ 453,100
Expenses	\$ 94,475	\$ 294,633	\$ 297,800
Deo Mortgage Balance	3/31/2020	\$ 1,733,558	

Happy Birthday!

Dick Clark 4/19
Robert Conrad 4/19
Christi Millard 4/19
Sterling Desorcy 4/20
Ruth Felipe 4/20
Lillia Guttschall 4/20
Tracey Barry 4/21
Lauren Raskauskas 4/21
Amanda Rowe 4/21
Scott Cunningham 4/22
*Jill Dunn 4/22
Linda Fitzhugh 4/23
*Dick Hilton 4/23
Bob Ruesch 4/23

*Reggie Smith 4/23
Al Todd 4/24
*David Gibson 4/25
*Priscilla Higgins 4/25

Happy Anniversary!

Karen & Jim Hill 4/19
Myrna & Bayne Carew 4/22
Micheale & Christopher Bowman 4/23
Tracey & Theodore Barry 4/25
Courtney & Emilio Martinez 4/25



***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
 Jerry Alfieri
 Annie
 Kathleen Bradford
 Family of Carmen
 Cassidy
 Fernando Castillo
 Ruth Cohen
 Dan Dorty
 David Daugherty
 Connie Dawson
 Margaret Degler
 Erin Falluca
 Jim Fligg
 Joseph Gagliano
 Janel Geary

Gary Gorran
 Tim Hall & Family
 Barbara Hurst
 Michael Jeskey
 Bob Kassing
 Kristen
 LaDonna Lass
 Kristen Linfante
 Judy Malone
 Mark
 Henry Miller
 Carolyn Moore
 The Morrioni Family
 Nate
 Domenico Paglia
 Christopher Parent

Mario Regoli
 Carol Rodkey
 Marsha Rust
 Metty Ryan
 Robin Ryan
 Don Schulte
 Eleanor & Gary
 Shepherd
 Suzanne Waylonis
 Laura Warnken
 CC Waskey
 Will & Heather & Family



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. 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 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.

"See what love the Father has given us,



that we should be called children of God."

1 John 3:1



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