



Vanderbilt

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church is a safe place for all people to worship regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background or sexual orientation.

August 2, 2020

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalm 17:1-7, 15

¹ Hear a just cause, O LORD; attend to my cry;
give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.

² From you, let my vindication come; let your eyes see the right.

³ If you try my heart, if you visit me by night,
if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me;
my mouth does not transgress.

⁴ As for what others do, by the word of your lips
I have avoided the ways of the violent.

⁵ My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped.

⁶ I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;
incline your ear to me, hear my words.

⁷ Wondrously show your steadfast love,
O savior of those who seek refuge
from their adversaries at your right hand.

¹⁵ As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness;
when I awake I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Prelude: Méditation from Thais

Glenn Basham, Violin

Jules Massenet
(1842-1912)

Call to Worship

Incline your ears to hear all God would teach.

Seek to experience God's steadfast love.

We are here to receive God's blessing.

God is our refuge in a frightening world.

God is near to all who call and seek.

Come to praise God and receive a blessing.

Open all our senses to pay close attention, O God.

We want to renew our covenant with the living God.

Prayer of Confession

God of justice and righteousness, whose compassion for humankind was expressed so vividly in Jesus of Nazareth, we bring to you our sorrow and anguish that we have not followed faithfully in the footsteps of Christ. Unkindness and deceit are all around us, and we have sometimes joined in their destructive ways. We waste resources you have entrusted to us. We cause others to stumble and fall. Take away our wickedness, O God, and restore your covenant among us, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Moment for Children

Heather Mikes

Hymn: Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

JESUS LOVES ME, THIS IS KNOW

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.

Hymn: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

1. Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling
All Thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.
2. Breathe, O breath Thy loving Spirit
Into every troubled breast!
Let us all in Thee inherit,
Let us find the promised rest;
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Old Testament Reading:

Genesis 32:22-31

²² The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷ So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

Solo: "Lord Jesus, Think on Me"

SOUTHWELL

Michele Byrd, Soprano

Lord Jesus, think on me, and purge away my sin; from harmful passions set me free, and make me pure within.
Lord Jesus, think on me, with care and woe oppressed; let me thy loving servant be, and taste thy promised rest.
Lord Jesus, think on me, nor let me go astray; through darkness and perplexity point thou the heavenly way.
Lord Jesus, think on me, that, when the flood is passed, I may the eternal brightness see, and share thy joy at last.

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 14:13-21

¹³ Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷ They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸ And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And

all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Message

“Ministry of Compassion”

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Offering

Offertory: “The Call”

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Michele Byrd, Soprano

(1872-1958)

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life; Such a Way, as gives us breath:

Such a Truth, as ends all strife: Such a Life, as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: Such a Light, as shows a feast:

Such a Feast, as mends in length: Such a Strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: Such a Joy, as none can move:

Such a Love, as none can part: Such a Heart, as joys in love.

Prayers of the People

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Invitation to the Lord’s Table

The Apostle’s 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.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks, Lord Jesus Christ, for the gifts of grace we have received from your hand. Now send us forth to reflect your light, proclaiming your saving death and resurrection until you come again in glory. Amen.

3. Come, Almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above;
Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

4. Finish, then, Thy new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in Thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Commission and Blessing

Go out to wrestle with God and the world this week.

Know that God intends that you will feel blessed.

God keeps covenant with us at all times.

We will seek to keep our promises to God.

Alleluia.

Amen.

Congregational Response:

“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!

Postlude: Postlude on “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” (Hyfrydol)

Harold Rutz
(b. 1930)

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor

Heather Mikes, Interim Christian Education Director

Suzanne Zelinka, 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.*

Michele Byrd, Soprano

Glenn Basham, Violin

Glenn Basham is Co-Concertmaster of the Naples Philharmonic and has a Bachelor of Music degree from the North Carolina School of the Arts and a Master of Music degree from Indiana University. He has been a member of the artist faculty at the Frost School of Music at the University of Miami since 1992. He also serves as the first violinist in the Bergonzi String Quartet, which is the quartet-in-residence at the Frost School of Music.

Soundboard Operator: Victoria Bonavita

Scripture Passages for the following week:

August 9, 2020—19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Rev. Dr. Louis S. Thompson,

Parish Associate & Guest Preacher—

Homily “A Journey from the Head to the Heart”

Reading from First Covenant (OT): Genesis 37:1-4, 22, 28

Reading from Second Covenant (NT): Romans 10:5-15



VPC NEWS

EXTENSION OF THE SUSPENSION OF IN-PERSON WORSHIP—The Session of Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church would like to thank you for keeping them in your prayers as they work to lead this congregation during this time of COVID-19. All of us are anxious to reconnect as an "in-person worshipping community." Please know that your safety and well-being are always paramount in our decisions regarding in-person worship. We continue to explore new options for our congregation to gather for ministry and mission. On Monday, July 27th the Session approved a motion affirming that the church will continue with virtual worship until deemed safe. The Session will continue to assess current health data and trends in order to determine when we can gather together for worship in our sanctuary. At a minimum, they will revisit this issue at its monthly meetings. Instead of coming into the church, please call us (597-5410), email Barbara Bonavita (bbonavita@vpcnaples.org), Lisa Lloyd (llloyd@vpcnaples.org) or Michele Byrd (mbyrd@vpcnaples.org) if you need assistance of any kind.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION

ZOOM IN FOR FELLOWSHIP HOUR—This morning, Sunday, August 2 from 11—11:30am, Zoom in to see your fellow church members. The **Meeting ID is: 896 7928 1614** and the **password is 4Wp4kK**. Missing your church family? Zoom in to say HI! We hope to see you there!

SUMMERTIME "VIRTUAL" CONCERTS AT VANDERBILT! We are *thrilled* that so many of you have listened to our Summertime "Virtual" Concerts at Vanderbilt! We have enjoyed making music to share with you and your friends and family during this difficult time of social distancing. We hope that you will continue to watch and encourage your friends to tune in as well. Our last concert is available *now* and features Matthew Sonneborn, Trumpet, Glenn Basham, Violin and James Cochran, Piano. Watch the virtual concerts at www.vpcnaples.org! Look under Sermon Library for the latest musical event!

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE: Sunday, August 23, 2020 from 9am—12pm. **DONORS MUST PRE-ARRANGE FOR AN ARRIVAL TIME TO DONATE:** pre-registering & adhering to an arrival time will allow for proper social distancing. Donors must: have their temperature taken upon arrival, adhere to social distancing rules, wear a face mask or facial covering, bring photo ID, eat a meal and be well hydrated with water. Call the church to reserve your spot—597-5410.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR HELP

VPC STEPHEN MINISTERS ARE HERE TO HELP: Know someone in need? Maybe you? Maybe a family member, friend or neighbor? Needs can be short-term or long-term...we want to help and are still available in these COVID-19 times! Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers that are a phone call or email away to walk beside you, listen and provide ongoing support. We currently have 15 active Stephen Ministers at VPC, some with care receivers and others waiting to help when called. Call for yourself or someone in need. To get started, call our Stephen Leader Referrals Coordinators: Don Sherman at 239-777-0847 (dsherman249@gmail.com) or Kay Beernink at 239-238-1526 (leskaybee@aol.com).

ANOTHER GRANT FOR THE COVID-19 RELIEF FUND— We have received another very generous \$10,000 challenge grant to the COVID-19 Relief Fund. Please send in your donations to match the new challenge grant! To date, we have received \$33,249 for the fund (including the first \$10,000 grant). We have disbursed \$31,540 to local charities to help with housing and hunger. Please indicate "COVID" in the memo area of your check or donate online. Thank you in advance for your gift to help others in need.

FINANCIAL UPDATE—OPERATING FUND: June 2020:

	June	YTD	Budget
Operating Income	\$66,803	\$912,001*	\$647,300
Expenses	\$80,801	\$542,941	\$581,700
*Income includes \$208,500 from CARES Grant			
Deo Mortgage Balance	6/30/2020	\$1,716,838	



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)

LTJG 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)



Happy Birthday!

Barbara Sletto	7/30
Mimi Braun	8/2
LaVerne Perrollaz	8/2
Gwynne Wells	8/2
Debbie Hamilton	8/3
*Nancy Myers	8/3
*Elizabeth Van Mater	8/3
Mary Wollaston	8/3
Jennifer Yousaf	8/3
Judy Darnell	8/4
*Judy Maish	8/4
Ann Foote	8/5
Bunny Heitmann	8/5
Beth Marrow	8/5
Ro Dill	8/6

Happy Anniversary!

Mike & Reggie Smith	8/3
Laura & Jeff Piipponen	8/4
Donald & Joanna Throckmorton	8/4
Connie & John Weiss	8/7



***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.

Edna Benton
Anna & Brooke
Borden
Family of Carmen
Chloe Cornell
Vicky Crosby
Ron Davis
Margaret Degler
Dan Dorty
Julie Eilers
Elpi & Family
Asia Rial Elsbree
Erin Falluca
Jim Fligg
Tom Freehan
Janel Geary
Gary Gorran
Jake Hellihan
Inspired Living at
Bonita Springs
Michael Jeskey

Sandra Johnson
Bob Kassing
Mary Koppelkam
LaDonna Lass
Judy Malone
Susi Martinsen
Don Neer
Matt Nulph
Bonnie Olson
Cassidy Otto & Family
Domenico Paglia
Christopher Parent
Savanna Peters &
Phoenix
Marcia Piipponen
The Power Family

Leah Ray
Carol Rodkey
Twila Rowe
Metty Ryan
Robin Ryan
Sadie Ann
Eleanor & Gary
Shepherd
Jim Shields
Joy Skarka
Liz Nowry Smith
The Waskey Family
Will & Heather &
Family
Connie Wilson

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 (National, State, & Local) 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.

That we will seek to serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves. That we will strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being.



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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Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church

presents

Summertime “Virtual” Concerts

Please plan to tune in to watch three special 45 minute concerts featuring Dr. James Cochran and other local musicians.

Enjoy the beauty of music in our lovely sanctuary.

Each concert will be available on the date of the concert beginning at 6 am.

It will be online for your listening and viewing pleasure thereafter.

Go to vpcnaples.org and look in the **SERMON LIBRARY** or check it out on **Facebook**.



Available NOW!

June 13, 2020

Blair Francis, *Flute*
Radu Paponiu, *Violin*



Available NOW!

July 1, 2020

Michele Byrd, *Soprano*
Colin Gerlach, *Violin*
Brice Gerlach, *Organ & Piano*



James Cochran,
Organ & Piano



Available NOW!

August 1, 2020

Glenn Basham, *Violin*
Matthew Sonneborn, *Trumpet*



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