



Vanderbilt

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 30, 2021

Trinity Sunday



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Psalm 29

¹ Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

² Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendor.

³ The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

⁴ The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

⁶ He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

⁷ The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

⁹ The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

¹¹ May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome to Vanderbilt! We rejoice that you are here to worship God with us. Please ask an usher if assistance is needed. As a courtesy to others, please remember to turn off cell phones during the service. 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**.

Announcements

Prelude: "Adagio in C Major"

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(1756-1791)

* Call to Worship

Ascribe to God glory and strength;

Worship God in holy splendor.

The splendor of our Creator meets us here.

We are filled with awe before our God.

The voice of God is powerful and full of majesty.

God offers strength and peace to all people.

God's voice thunders over the water.

God's strength empowers our response.

Let us worship God.

*** Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy"**

NICAEA

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| 1. Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning
our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons,
blessed Trinity! | 2. Holy, holy, holy!
All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before Thee,
Who wert, and art,
And evermore shalt be. | 3. Holy, holy, holy!
Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinfulness
Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy;
There is none beside Thee
Perfect in power,
In love and purity. |
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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of all worlds, we confess that we are too much people of the flesh, living in slavery to our possessions and our fears. We are so attached to our little corner of the world that we find it difficult to identify with people whose experience is far different from our own. We do not want to suffer with the homeless, the hungry, the refugees, the oppressed. We turn away from the suffering of Jesus to pursue temporary advantages. We act like just another human organization, not the body of Christ making a difference in the world. O God, forgive us and reclaim us as your children. Amen.

Affirmation of Forgiveness

*** Gloria Patri**

Henry 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, Amen.

Moment for Children

Drake DeBaun

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.

First Scripture Reading

Isaiah 6:1-8

¹ In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ² Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴ The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" ⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your

sin is blotted out.” ⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Solo: “Mansions of the Lord”

Randall Wallace (b. 1949)

Michele Byrd, *Soprano*

Nick Glennie-Smith (b. 1951)

To fallen soldiers let us sing. Where no rockets fly nor bullets wing. Our broken brothers let us bring,
To the Mansions of the Lord. No more bleeding, no more fight. No prayers pleading through the
night. Just divine embrace, Eternal light, In the Mansions of the Lord. Where no mothers cry and no
children weep. We will stand and guard though the angels sleep All through the ages safely keep, The
Mansions of the Lord.

Prayer for Illumination

The Gospel Reading

John 3:1-17

¹ Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ² He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” ³ Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵ Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ ⁸ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” ⁹ Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹ “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶ “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷ “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message

“Do You See?”

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Offering

Offertory: "Battle Hymn of the Republic"

William Steffe (1830-1890)

Michele Byrd, *Soprano*

arr. Jay Althouse (b. 1951)

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord. He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored. He has loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword. His truth is marching on. Glory, hallelujah! I have seen Him in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps. They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damp. I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps. His day is marching on. In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea, with a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me. As He died to make men holy, let us live to make men free, while God is marching on.

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**

God asks: "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?"

Who will tell of my love for all the world?

God has touched our lips and our hearts.

We dare to say: "Here am I; send me!"

Alleluia.

Amen.

*** Hymn: "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"**

MELITA

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| 1. Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm has bound the restless wave,
Who bade the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea. | 3. O Holy Spirit, who did brood
Upon the chaos wild and rude,
And bade its angry tumult cease,
And gave, for fierce confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea. |
| 2. O Savior, whose almighty word
The wind and waves submissive heard,
Who walked upon the foaming deep,
And calm amid its rage did sleep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea. | 4. O Trinity of love and power,
All travelers guard in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them where-so e'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad praise from air and land and sea. |

Postlude: "Prelude in F Major"

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.

**The flowers on the chancel are donated
in Memory of Joyce & Doreen Bevan
by Lewis Bevan, Ken, Tricia & Alexis.**



**And in Celebration of our 62nd Wedding
Anniversary by Bob & Doris Martin.**

***Sincere apologies to Louis Eliot who sponsored
the flowers on the chancel last week (5/23/21).***

***"In loving memory of my husband and best
friend, Richard, by his wife Louise Eliot."***



WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, *Pastor*
Suzanne Zelinka, *Liturgist for virtual worship*
Jim Muir, *Liturgist for Sunday worship*
Dr. James Cochran, *Director of Music*, playing the
Richard and Patricia Fors Organ given to the
 glory of God and in honor of James Cochran,
 Organist.
Drake DeBaun, *Christian Education Intern*

Michele Byrd, *Soprano for virtual worship*
Stephanie Lorenz, *Soprano for Sunday worship*
Greeters: Priscilla & Steve Kutler
Ushers: Carolyn Magarro & Claudia Polzin
(Head Ushers), Sue & Bill Van Fossen, Steve &
 Priscilla Kutler, Jerry Warnken, Nancy Guthy, Jean
 Rawson
Soundboard Operator: Victoria Bonavita



*Whoever does the
 will of God is my
 brother and sister
 and mother.*

Mark 3:35, NRSV

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

June 6:

Second Sunday
 After Pentecost
 New Testament

Reading:

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Gospel Reading:

Mark 3:20-35



HEBREWS 13:1, NIV

VPC NEWS

“Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters.”

Revised Protocols for In-Person Worship

Since the beginning of the pandemic, VPC leadership has made every effort to focus on member and guest safety during in-person worship. We want to assure you that the Session, staff, and the WMLA Task Force are prayerfully and judiciously discerning what is safest for our setting. As previously stated, for the sake of consistency we intend to follow the recommendations of the CDC. On Monday, May 24, 2021, the VPC Session met to discuss recommendations from our WMLA Task Force regarding the new CDC guidelines. At this meeting, the Session approved the following:

- Registration is no longer required for the in-person Sunday worship service. If you do not yet feel comfortable or are unable to be in person with us, the virtual worship service will continue to be available.
- The Session suspends the requirement for mandatory mask wearing at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church.
- Other individuals may choose to continue wearing a mask for their own personal reasons. We encourage anyone who is more comfortable wearing a mask to do so.
- Those gathered are permitted to sing during worship. (Choir will resume at a later date).
- All sanctuary pews will be made available for seating. We still request 3 feet of social distance between family units.

We know that this has been a challenging, and at times, a frustrating process. We all long to throw open the doors of the church, hug one another and mingle around the coffee pot. We aren't there yet. However, following these safety measures will get us to that point sooner rather than later. We will continue to live into a new “normal” which will incorporate slow and thoughtful changes. It is our hope that we will meet each other in kindness and love, mask or no mask.

ZOOM IN FOR FELLOWSHIP HOUR: This Sunday morning, from 11—11:30am, join the meeting to connect with your fellow church members. The **Meeting ID is: 896 7928 1614** and the **password is 4Wp4kK**. We hope to see you there!

ARE YOU HEADED NORTH FOR THE SUMMER? If your plans include leaving Naples for the summer, please call or email the office to let us know so we can change your address (597-5410 or bbonavita@vpcnaples.org.) We are also collecting non-perishable food donations for Helps Outreach!

HELP US CELEBRATE GRADUATES! If you have a senior graduating from high school, college, grad



school or beyond, we want to help mark these significant educational milestones. This includes grandchildren! Also, if you have a student moving up from preschool, kindergarten, fifth grade or eighth grade, we need to hear from you, too! Send us a picture and short paragraph, so we can honor them on Graduation Sunday, June 13. Please email submissions to Drake DeBaun at ddebaun@vpcnaples.org ASAP.

OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP WITH MISSIONS

THE WEEKEND POWER PACK PROGRAM: The Weekend Power Pack Program provides needy children at one elementary school food for the weekends. The Power Packs contain two breakfasts, two lunches, two dinners, and four snacks and are placed in the children's backpacks by the Guidance Counselor before they leave school on Friday. The program is funded by donations from our church members and friends of our congregation. The cost is approximately \$140.00 per child yearly, or \$7,000 a year. Currently, we have \$2,000 to finance this very worthwhile program for the 2021-2022 school year. VPC volunteers help by assembling the power packs for the children and contributing financially toward the cost of food. Please consider making a donation. Make out checks to VPC, and put Weekend Power Packs in the memo line. Please Contact Cherie Baines at ctfl.baines@gmail.com to participate.

VPC TROOP 274 CAR WASH: Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church's Troop 274 is holding a car wash on Saturday, June 5, 2021 from 9:00 am till 1:00 pm. The troop is accepting donations for their services to help pay for their summer camp at Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation, Jupiter, Florida the week of 7/18 to 7/24. The car wash will be on the west side of the building in the lot outside the youth wing. Please bring your car and support our Scout troop.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR HELP

VPC STEPHEN MINISTERS ARE HERE TO HELP: Know someone in need? Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers that are a phone call or email away to walk beside you, listen and provide ongoing support. Call our Stephen Leader Referrals Coordinator: Kay Beernink at 239-238-1526 (leskaybee@aol.com).

***Eternal God:** we rejoice in all who have lived and died faithfully. We give you thanks for all blessed memories and all enduring hopes; for the ties that bind us to the unseen world; for all the heroic dead who encompass us like a cloud of witnesses. We pray that we who have entered into the heritage of their heroism and self-sacrifice may so honor their memory and so preserve and further their high purposes that the nation which they defended may stand in all coming years for righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*



FINANCIAL UPDATE—OPERATING FUND: April 2021:

	April	YTD	Budget
Operating Income	\$121,133	\$ 481,090	\$1,363,000
Expenses	\$ 93,678	\$ 376,054	\$1,363,000
Deo Mortgage Balance	4/30/2021	\$ 605,641	



In everything
give thanks.
1 Thessalonians 5:18, NASB

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)

LTJG Wyatt R. Dawley

US Navy Intel
(Loren & Debbie Dawley's grandson)

LCDR Adam Endrelunas

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

MAJ Allen Fujinaka

US Army
(LaVerne Perrollaz's granddaughter's husband)

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 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 & Roberta McMaster's
granddaughter's husband)



PRAY
FOR OUR MILITARY



Happy Birthday!

Bill Whitman	5/30
Bee Getman	5/31
Anna Barry	6/1
Babs Brock	6/1
*Jim Fligg	6/1
Haley Hood	6/1
*Jean Lonergan	6/1
Shirley Byrne	6/2
Lazara Figueroa	6/2
Abigail Lefebvre	6/4
Elizabeth Lepore	6/5

***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 Team uses the interest income from the Birthday Club exclusively for Youth Activities! Please consider becoming a member of the Birthday Club. Celebrate your Birthday by thanking God for your life!



Happy Anniversary!

Bob & Doris Martin	5/30
Frank & Judy Darnell	6/2
Kristina & Thomas Hauschild	6/2
Ellen & George Morton	6/2
Cindi & Stephen Schock	6/2
Brett & Liberty Franklin	6/3
Ann & Bill Lienemann	6/4
Charlene & John Roth	6/5



PRAYER CONCERNS

Please continue to hold in prayer our church family 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 friend of 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.

Ashley	Max (Cindi & Stephen
Greta Birnbaum	Schock's grandson)
David Bos	Joanna McNally
Adriana Caruso	Melinda
Dick Clark	Emily Orr
Alyssa Cole	Jonathan Orr
Dick Creviston	Domenico Paglia
Gretchen Davison	Marjorie Renth
Jim & Wealtha Flick	Bruce Reyher
Jim Fligg	Karen Rodino
Ali Frimpter	Twila Rowe
Pattie Fruth	Ernie Sartorius
Lori Godwin	Frank Schmitt
Donna Goldblatt	Carol Schwiers
Quinten Hawkins	Sid Showalter
Kay Hurley	Deborah Smith
Inspired Living at	Liz Nowry Smith
Bonita Springs	Marilyn Snyder
Sandra Johnson	John Spain
The Lass Family	Alexandra Sze &
Larry MacDonald	Baby Luca Ryan
Judy Malone	Lake Walton
	Rev. B.J. Weber



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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