



June 20, 2021

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 107: 1-3, 23-32

"PEACE! BE STILL!"

- ¹ O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.
² Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble
³ and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.
²³ Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the mighty waters;
²⁴ they saw the deeds of the LORD, his wondrous works in the deep.
²⁵ For he commanded and raised the stormy wind,
which lifted up the waves of the sea.
²⁶ They mounted up to heaven, they went down to the depths;
their courage melted away in their calamity;
²⁷ they reeled and staggered like drunkards, and were at their wits' end.
²⁸ Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,
and he brought them out from their distress;
²⁹ he made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.
³⁰ Then they were glad because they had quiet,
and he brought them to their desired haven.
³¹ Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.
³² Let them extol him in the congregation of the people,
and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

THEN THE WIND
(CEASED,
AND THERE WAS
A DEAD CALM.

MARK 4:39, NRSV

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: "Voluntary in C Major"

Richard Peek
(1927-2005)

* Call to Worship

Gather in awe before God, who laid the foundations of the earth.

Open your hearts to the steadfast love God offers.

The deeds of God are beyond our knowing.

Yet we catch glimpses of God's mercy and care.

God is ready to listen to us in these moments together.

See, now is the acceptable time, the day of salvation.

Surely God will meet us here in our faith community!

How good it is when we sense our unity in Christ!

Let us worship God.

***Hymn: "Great is Thy Faithfulness"**

FAITHFULNESS

1. Great is Thy faithfulness,
O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not
Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

2. Summer and winter,
and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Refrain

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Help us, God, for we do not have the wisdom to help ourselves. When the good we have known crumbles beneath our feet and we are mired down in hopelessness and self-pity, we need you. When we cannot hide from the evil that is all around us because some of it is also in us, we cry out for your saving mercy. We confess that it is easier to see the problems than the promise. We have been more ready to complain than to accept your help. O God, we open our hearts to you. We want to be healed. Amen.

Affirmation of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*** Gloria Patri**

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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

Heather Mikes

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.

Reading from the New Testament

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

¹ As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ² For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³ We are putting no obstacle in anyone's

way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴ but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵ beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶ by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷ truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸ in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹ as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰ as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. ¹¹ We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹² There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³ In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Interlude: “The Angelus”

Léon Boëllmann
(1862-1897)

Prayer for Illumination

The Gospel Reading

Mark 4:35-41

³⁵ On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶ And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷ A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸ But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹ He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰ He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹ And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message

“Strength to Endure the Storm”

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Offering

Offertory: “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

Chris Wood, *Tenor*

Tommy Dorsey
(1905-1956)

Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, help me stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light;
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, Precious Lord, linger near; When my life is almost gone,
Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I fall; Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

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.

* Hymn: "Take My Life"

HENDON

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| 1. Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days;
Let them flow in ceaseless praise,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise. | 3. Take my voice, and let me sing,
Always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee,
Filled with messages from Thee. |
| 2. Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee,
Swift and beautiful for Thee. | 4. Take my silver and my gold.
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose,
Every power as Thou shalt choose. |

*Commission and Blessing

The grace of God rests on each one of us.

Holiness of spirit is God's gift to us today.

We feel empowered to endure all things.

God equips us to rejoice in all circumstances.

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: "Voluntary in D Major"

David N. Johnson
(1922-1987)

Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.



The flowers on the chancel are donated in
joyous celebration of June Peterson's 95th
Birthday by her loving family and
In loving memory of our fathers, John Muir
and Churchill Lea, by Sally and Jim Muir.

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, *Pastor*
Bob Martin, *Liturgist for virtual worship*
Sue Van Fossen, *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.
Heather Mikes, *Director of Christian Education*

Chris Wood, *Tenor*
Greeters: Steve & Priscilla Kutler
Ushers: Carolyn Magarro & Claudia Polzin
(*Head Ushers*), Steve & Priscilla Kutler, Sue & Bill
Van Fossen, Jerry Warnken, Karen Chappler, Tim
Hall
Soundboard Operator: Victoria Bonavita



SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

June 27:
5th Sunday After Pentecost

First Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15
Gospel Reading: Mark 5:21-43



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Thank you to all the fathers in our lives. You are **LOVED!**
*"He will turn the hearts of the fathers
to their children,
and the hearts of the children to their fathers."
Malachi 4:6*

VPC NEWS

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

GREETING CARDS ARE AVAILABLE! Now that the east wing of the church is open to the congregation we would like to let you know the greeting card rack is now stocked and open for business. Also, if anyone would like to join the recycled card committee they can come to the church library the 1st or 3rd Monday mornings of the month at 9:00. Sonja Cookson will be there and will show you how the cards are made.

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).



“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.

ADVENTURE ISLAND - VBS FUN!



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	



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)



*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 Birthday!

Cole Breton	6/20
Jack Breton	6/20
*Laurin Skrabonja	6/20
Isabella Aguilar	6/21
*Gretchen Davison	6/21
Chris Jacob	6/21
Rob Marrow	6/21
Doffy Teasdale	6/21
*Sally Watts	6/22
Suzanne Zelinka	6/24
*June Peterson	6/25



Happy Anniversary!

Jason & Rachel Heimberger	6/20
Judy & Verne Istock	6/22
Pat & Tim Peters	6/22
Libby & Michael Catanese	6/24
Dick & Maureen Clark	6/24
Joyce & Bill Dersch	6/24
Woody & Lynne Schneider	6/25
Dale & Peter Tremblay	6/25
Jackie & Steven Woodring	6/26



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



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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