

June 6, 2021

The Second Sunday after Pentecost



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

Mark 3:35. NRSV

Psalm 130

¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

² Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

3 If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,

Lord, who could stand?

⁴ But there is forgiveness with you,

so that you may be revered.

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

⁶ my soul waits for the Lord

more than those who watch for the morning,

more than those who watch for the morning.

⁷O Israel, hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

⁸ It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

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: "Aria in F Major"

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

* Call to Worship

Gather to give thanks with your whole heart. Rejoice in God's love and faithfulness.

Great is the glory of our God!

We rejoice in God's steadfast love.

Wait for God, and hope in God's Word.

Open your hearts to the holy presence in our midst.

Our eyes are attentive to the voice of God.

We open our lives to God's direction.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

CORONATION

- 1. All hail the power of Jesus' name!
 Let angels prostrate fall;
 Bring forth the royal diadem,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
 Bring forth the royal diadem,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
- 3. Let every kindred, every tribe, On this terrestrial ball, To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all! To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all!
- 2. Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall, Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all! Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!
- 4. O that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
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 And crown Him Lord of all!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

We confess, O God, that we often act as if we know better than you what is right for us. We make decisions without considering your larger purposes. Our own convenience and desires are more important to us than your commands. We go our own way and then blame others for our mistakes. Our inner confusion creates division and brokenness. We hide from you rather than admitting our needs. O God, we want to face our sin and find forgiveness. Help us! Amen.

Affirmation of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* 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 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.

New Testament Reading

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

¹³ But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴ because we know that the one who raised the Lord

Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵ Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸ because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. ¹ For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Solo: "Precious Jesus"

Michele Byrd, Soprano

(b. 1951)

All that I am and all that I can be, all that I know and all that I can see: these are the things my Jesus gave to me, Jesus, my Lord and friend. Once I was alone and day seemed dark as night. Once I was blind, but I've been given sight. Jesus, my redeemer, led me to the light, Jesus, my Lord and friend. Precious Jesus, blessed Jesus, You're my life, my joy, my friend. Precious Jesus, blessed Jesus, your love is a love without end. Now, like a shepherd, He guides me on my way. Now I will follow; I cannot go astray. Jesus, keep me near you, this I humbly pray.

Prayer for Illumination

The Gospel Reading Mark 3:20-35

²⁰ and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹ When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²² And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³ And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶ And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷ But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. ²⁸ "Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— 30 for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." 31 Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³² A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." 33 And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" 34 And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! 35 Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

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Message "Jesus is Offensive" The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Offering

Offertory: "How Beautiful"Twila ParisMichele Byrd, Soprano(b. 1959)

How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the children of earth. How beautiful the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross. How beautiful is the body of Christ. How beautiful the heart that bled, that took all my sin and bore it instead. How beautiful the tender eyes that chose to forgive and never despise. And as He laid down His life, we offer this sacrifice that we will live just as He died: willing to pay the price. How beautiful the feet that bring the sound of good news and the love of the King. How beautiful the hands that serve the wine and the bread and the children of earth.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastoral Prayer

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Apostles' 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

Merciful God, we give thanks that you have invited us to this table. We give thanks that you have received us as members of the body of Christ and have affirmed us as a community of faith. Lead us to live as faithful and dedicated disciples in service to all the world; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*Hymn: "For the Beauty of the Earth"

- 1. For the beauty of the earth,
 For the glory of the skies,
 For the love which from our birth
 Over and around us lies,
 Lord of all to Thee we raise
 This our hymn of grateful praise.
- 3. For the joy of ear and eye,
 For the heart and mind's delight,
 For the mystic harmony
 Linking sense to sound and sight,
 Lord of all to Thee we raise
 This our hymn of grateful praise.
- 2. For the wonder of each hour Of the day and of the night, Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light, Lord of all to Thee we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.
- 4. For the joy of human love,
 Brother, sister, parent, child,
 Friends on earth, and friends above,
 For all gentle thoughts and mild,
 Lord of all to Thee we raise
 This our hymn of grateful praise.

*Commission and Blessing

Go into the world to serve, to the glory of God. May your thanksgiving increase day by day.

Our praise will not cease when we leave this place. All the world is God's temple, a place to give thanks. *Alleluia.*

Amen.

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: "The Heavens are Telling the Glory of God"

Benedetto Marcello (1686-1793)

Albert Hay Malotte

Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.

Happy Anniversary!

The flowers on the chancel are donated in joyous celebration of our marriage from Sally and Jim Muir

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

June 13:

3rd Sunday After Pentecost - Graduation Sunday Psalm Reading: Psalm 20 Gospel Reading: Mark 4:26-34

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor
Karen Chappler, Liturgist for virtual worship
The Rev. Louis S. Thompson, Parish Associate
& 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

Michele Byrd, Soprano for virtual worship Chris Wood, Tenor for Sunday worship Greeters: Lois Ann Folliard & Twila Rowe

Ushers: Carolyn Magarro & Claudia Polzin (*Head Ushers*), Rebecca Beavers, Nellie Cummins, Karen Chappler, Molly Godley, Bill & Sue Van

Fossen, Jim Hawkins

Soundboard Operator: Victoria Bonavita

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.

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!



VBS MISSION PROJECT: School's out for summer at the Learning Center! We're excited to lead more than 80 Explorers on a quest for God's great light at Vacation Bible School, June 3-June 11. Each session at Discovery on Adventure Island, will highlight a different way God shines light on the world and how we can reflect that light as we live each day. Our mission project is the Heifer Milk Money program. Bring your spare change to fill up the milk jug. Explorers can give the gift of good nutrition to children in need. We are shining God's light of love with our gifts - money that will be raised to help teach, educate and provide resources needed to increase milk production and delivery, so all children may learn and grow!

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).

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 |

4/30/2021



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN SERVING OUR COUNTRY

\$ 605,641

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

Deo Mortgage Balance

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

 $\label{to Texas from Afganistan} Just \ returned \ to \ Texas \ from \ Afganistan$

(Toni Hubbard)

Christian Kurz

US Navy, USS Nitze

(Joyce Geary's great nephew)

LCDR Michelle Lea

US Navv

(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)

MAI 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)



BITHDAYS

Happy Birthday!

| *Linda Wagner | 6/6 |
|-----------------------|------|
| *Audrey Olsen | 6/7 |
| Kensington Hobbs | 6/8 |
| *Gail Gorran | 6/9 |
| *Caroline Yovanovich | 6/10 |
| *Elizabeth Yovanovich | 6/10 |
| *Chris Fujimoto | 6/11 |
| Karen Rockenbach | 6/11 |
| *Carolyn Schumann | 6/11 |
| Joe Felipe | 6/12 |

*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!

| Jeremy & Elke Barber | 6/6 |
|-------------------------|------|
| John & Mimi Braun | 6/6 |
| Jay & Mary Chesslo | 6/7 |
| Gracia & Robert Schmidt | 6/7 |
| Jim & Deane Hawkins | 6/10 |
| Jim & Sally Muir | 6/10 |
| Janet & James Mungo | 6/10 |
| Anne & Gary Christensen | 6/11 |
| John & Roberta McMaster | 6/11 |
| David & Tarie Curtiss | 6/12 |
| Ewald & Maria Forsbrey | 6/12 |



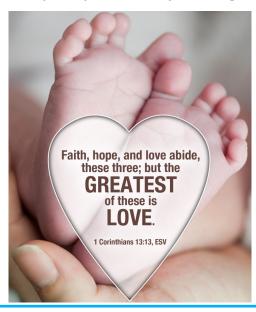
Lew Bevan: May 3 Carolyn Elmore: April 24 Janet Minch: November 17

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*.

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

We share the birth of **Jayce Brian VanHorn Wood**, son of Jessica VanHorn and Tenor, Chris Wood, born on Friday, May 28th at 5:45 PM. Infant Jayce's weight at birth was 4 lbs, 6 oz. While he remains hospitalized he has been removed from a breathing device and is now breathing on his own. Proud Father Chris says, **"Jayce is already winning his battles."**



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

Max (Cindi & Stephen Schock's grandson) Joanna McNally

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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