



March 27, 2022 **Fourth Sunday in Lent**

**Psalm 32**

<sup>1</sup> Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

<sup>2</sup> Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity,  
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

<sup>3</sup> While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

<sup>4</sup> For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

<sup>5</sup> Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;  
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you;  
at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

<sup>7</sup> You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

<sup>8</sup> I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

<sup>9</sup> Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle,  
else it will not stay near you.

<sup>10</sup> Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.

<sup>11</sup> Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.



**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. Children are important members of our faith community and are welcome in worship. Nursery ministry is also available. Please ask an usher if assistance is needed. As a courtesy to others, please 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 words in **bold print**.

**Announcements**

**Moment for Mission**

Habitat for Humanity

**Prelude: "Aria"**

Craig Phillips  
(b. 1961)

**\* Call to Worship**

*This is a day for forgiveness and reconciliation;  
Celebrate God's love for the lost who are found.*

**The glad cries of deliverance surround us;  
Shouts of joy arise from our hearts.**

*Let all who are faithful offer up prayers.*

*May all who are in Christ give thanks.*

**We will be glad and join the dance of life;  
With the upright of heart, we rejoice and sing.**

*Let us worship God.*

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| <p>1. O for a thousand tongues to sing<br/>My dear Redeemer's praise,<br/>The glories of my God and King,<br/>The triumphs of God's grace!</p> <p>2. Jesus, the name that charms our fears,<br/>That bids our sorrows cease;<br/>'Tis music in the sinner's ears,<br/>'Tis life, and health, and peace.</p> | <p>3. Christ breaks the power of reigning sin,<br/>And sets the prisoner free;<br/>Christ's blood can make the sinful clean,<br/>Christ's blood availed for me.</p> <p>4. My gracious Master and my God,<br/>Assist me to proclaim,<br/>To spread through all the earth abroad<br/>The honors of Thy name.</p> |
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**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession**

O God, we will not try to hide from you the wrong we have done or the good we have neglected. You know our transgressions. You have observed our pretensions. We have claimed too lightly the label "Christian," for often we cut ourselves off from you and from people we disdain. At times our rebellion leaves us hungry, alone, and friendless. O God, we are not worthy to be called your children. Grant us, we pray, your forgiveness and pardon and a renewed sense of who you intend us to be and to become.

**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

We invite children to gather up front for a special children's message. After we sing "Jesus Loves Me," children and youth ages PreK-3 through High School may go study, serve, pray and play together during Sunday school.

**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.**

## Prayer of Illumination

### The First Reading

Joshua 5:9-12

<sup>9</sup> The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. <sup>10</sup> While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. <sup>11</sup> On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. <sup>12</sup> The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

### The Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

<sup>15</sup> Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. <sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." <sup>3</sup> So he told them this parable: <sup>11</sup> Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup> The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup> A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. <sup>14</sup> When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup> So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. <sup>16</sup> He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup> But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! <sup>18</sup> I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; <sup>19</sup> I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' <sup>20</sup> So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup> Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' <sup>22</sup> But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup> And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; <sup>24</sup> for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. <sup>25</sup> "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. <sup>27</sup> He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' <sup>28</sup> Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. <sup>29</sup> But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup> But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' <sup>31</sup> Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup> But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Solo:** "Pie Jesu" from *Requiem*

Gabriel Fauré  
(1845-1924)

Michele Byrd, *Soprano*

*This piece is sung in memory of all the lives lost in the Russian invasion of Ukraine.*

Pie Jesu domine, dona eis requiem, sempiternam requiem.

*Merciful Jesus, Lord, grant them eternal rest.*

**Offering**

**\* Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\* Affirmation of faith**

From The Heidelberg Catechism

**Leader: *What is your only comfort in life and in death?***

**People: That I am not my own, but belong – body and soul, in life and in death – to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

**Reception of New Members**

**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 "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult"**

GALILEE

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| <b>1. Jesus calls us o'er the tumult<br/>of our life's wild, restless sea;<br/>day by day his sweet voice soundeth,<br/>saying "Christian, follow me!"</b>   | <b>3. In our joys and in our sorrows,<br/>days of toil and hours of ease,<br/>still he calls, in cares and pleasures,<br/>"Christian, love me more than these."</b> |
| <b>2. Jesus calls us from the worship<br/>of the vain world's golden store,<br/>from each idol that would keep us,<br/>saying "Christian, love me more."</b> | <b>4. Jesus calls us! By Thy mercies,<br/>Savior, may we hear Thy call;<br/>give our hearts to Thine obedience,<br/>serve and love Thee best of all!</b>            |

### \* Commission and Blessing

*Live as ambassadors of Jesus Christ every day;  
Rejoice when a sister or brother returns home to God.*

**We will be glad and rejoice in God's goodness;**

**We will share the joy of God's love.**

*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:** "Prelude in G Minor"

Bach

*Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.*

## WORSHIP LEADERS

**The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor**

**Molly Godley, Virtual worship Liturgist**

**Sue Van Fossen, Sunday worship Liturgist**

**Dr. James Cochran, Director of Music,** playing the

**Richard & 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**

**David Curtiss, Baritone for Sunday worship**

**The Chancel Choir, for Sunday worship**

**Julie Carver, Pianist for Sunday worship**

**Greeters:** Priscilla Kutler and Jan Fern

**Ushers:** Claudia Polzin and Carolyn Magarro

*(Head Ushers),* Karen Chappler, Linda & Ron

Addaman, Harley Ruppert, Nancy Guthy

**Soundboard Operators:** Jim Hart & Victoria

Bonavita

### SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

**April 3:**

**Fifth Sunday in Lent**

**First Reading:**

**Isaiah 43:16-21**

**Gospel Reading:**

**John 12:1-8**

**Lenten Sermon Series:**

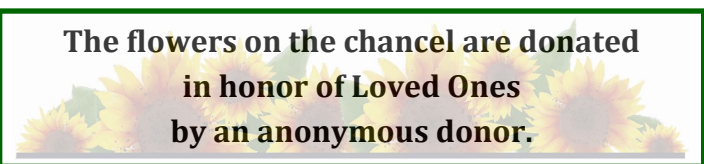
**Gathered Up in Jesus**

**Sermon:**

**"Filled with Fragrance"**



**The flowers on the chancel are donated  
in honor of Loved Ones  
by an anonymous donor.**



**Special Thanks to  
Pat and Carol Rose for sponsoring  
our Fellowship Hour this morning  
in honor of their father.**

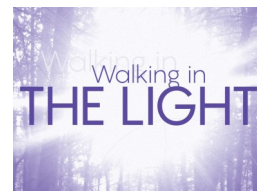




## VPC NEWS

**TODAY AT FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Come see the Lego Houses from our Wednesday Night Lights Habitat Build Challenge. Bring your spare change and dollar donations to vote on your favorite! One cent = one vote. All monies collected will go directly toward our VPC fundraising goal to benefit Habitat. We hope to see you there!

**JOIN THE WHOLISTIC HEALTH TEAM IN THE WALK TO JERUSALEM:** The Walk to Jerusalem is an imaginary walk that encourages walkers, and those who choose other forms of exercise to increase physical activity during Lent. Booklets and personal log sheets are available in the Narthex or online. We are logging LOTS of miles and are over 60% of the way there....why not join in! It's not too late!!



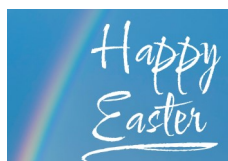
### HABITAT MONTH

**MARCH IS HABITAT FOR HUMANITY MONTH!** VPC has always been very involved with Habitat for Humanity. This month, we will spotlight this amazing organization in our Moment for Mission and work to raise funds to sponsor two houses! Everyone can be involved. Don't forget, you can help build homes on Wednesday mornings. Meet at the church at 7:30am!

**FIVE STEPHEN MINISTERS ADDED TO OUR TEAM:** This coming Sunday, **April 3, 2022**, Stephen Ministers will be commissioned here at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church. These lay ministers will be providing care for people in and around our congregation who are going through many kinds of difficulties in their lives. Please show your support and appreciation for these dedicated people by your presence at the commissioning service and through your prayers.



STEPHEN  
MINISTRY



**CHECK THE RECYCLED CARDS STAND FOR EASTER CARDS!** They are available now! Remember, this is a great way to reuse and recycle cards. Please consider supporting this ministry the next time you are at the church!

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OFFERINGS:

- **THE SUNDAY SEMINAR: "LOST SCRIPTURES OF THE NEW TESTAMENT"** You're invited to join the weekly conversation as we discuss some of these rejected scriptures, asking why were they excluded and what do they reveal about early Christianity. **Sunday, 11:15am**, Harp Hall led by Dr. John Braun.
- **AN EDUCATION OFFERING FOR MEN:** Journey with Matthew from the Birth to the Death of Jesus, The Messiah. A class for men on **Tuesdays at 9am** in Harp Hall.
- **PASTOR ROB'S BIBLE STUDY:** Gather for Adult Bible Study with Pastor Rob on **Wednesdays at 6pm** in Harp Hall.



CHRISTIAN  
EDUCATION



**MAUNDY THURSDAY DINNER & COMMUNION:** On Thursday, **April 14 at 6pm**, VPC will commemorate Maundy Thursday, the time when Jesus gave us a "New Commandment", gathered with his friends and shared the meal together. Our evening together will conclude with Communion around the tables. Reservations are requested to help us plan - call the church office. Our meal will be donated by Boston Beer Garden.

**EASTER LILIES:** Dedicate Easter lilies in honor or memory of your loved ones. Members and friends wishing to assist in funding the cost (any amount is appreciated) may do so by completing the form, available in the Narthex on Sunday mornings, with your donation marked "Easter Lilies". To be included in the bulletin, please send your donation by April 3, 2022. Questions? Call Barbara Bonavita at 597-5410.







**WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR FELLOWSHIP HOUR?** We have many opportunities to sponsor Fellowship Hour. You may either bring goodies OR donate \$50 to cover the cost. Either way, the Parish Life Team will take care of set up! Contact Barbara Bonavita at 597-5410 to schedule a date.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** On **Saturday, April 2, 2022** from 9am-12pm Boy Scout Troop 274 will be in the West Parking Lot at Vanderbilt for a Car Wash! The troop is accepting donations for their car wash services to help pay for a four day dive camp experience. Please bring your car and support our Scout troop.



#### MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:



- **PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE:** We at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church are doing our best to "stand in the GAP" by Giving, Acting, and Praying. VPC is willing to accept your donation to help the Presbyterian Disaster Relief Program which will send funds where the need is most urgent. You may send a check to VPC and put Ukraine in the memo or you may use the link to donate online via credit card at the VPC website. You may also choose to donate directly to the [PCUSA https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000156/?appeal=PDA&package=UK22-PNS](https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000156/?appeal=PDA&package=UK22-PNS). We thank you for your generosity.
- **COLLIER HARVEST:** On **March 28, 5pm** the Collier Harvest Mission Program will have a packing event at their warehouse at 4451 Mercantile Avenue. Volunteers will pack 150 bags of food for families in need. This monthly event lasts only an hour. This is a true grassroots effort to fight hunger in our community as this outreach relies entirely on donations and receives no government funding. If you are available and would like to join us, email Cherie Baines at [ctfl.baines@gmail.com](mailto:ctfl.baines@gmail.com)

#### FINANCIAL UPDATE—OPERATING FUND

	February	YTD Budget
Operating Income	\$129,756	\$314,581
Expenses	\$ 82,335	\$178,480
Deo Mortgage Balance	2/28/2022	\$127,301

What shall I  
render to the **LORD**  
for all his  
**BENEFITS** to me?  
Psalm 116:12, ESV

#### 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)

##### CPTN Devon Hennessey

Korea (Toni Hubbard)

##### Nolan Kelly

US Army - Private First Class  
Fort Sill, OK

##### CORP Wesley Kennedy

USMC - Okinawa, Japan

##### Christian Kurz

US Navy, USS Nitze  
(Joyce Geary's great nephew)

##### 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



## Happy Birthday!

Brendan Barber 3/27  
 Pamela Barber 3/27  
 Bruce Hobbs 3/27  
 Ruth Schulte 3/27  
 Julianne Hobbs 3/28  
 David Curtiss 3/29  
 \*Nancy Miller 3/30  
 Eliza Nevin 3/30  
 \*Ronald Shaffer 3/31  
 \*Kathryn Leaming 4/1



## Happy Anniversary!

Kevin & Ann Parker Foote 3/28  
 Anthony & Diana Amato 3/29  
 Gary & Gail Gorran 3/31

### \*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! Celebrate your Birthday by thanking God for your life!

## 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. 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 note that prayer requests will be kept in the bulletin for a period of 30 days, after which a new prayer request card should be submitted.

Courtney Gates	Ron Davis	Jack Lucarelli	Harold Soule
Abraham	Marlene Everson	Judy Malone	The Rev. J. Szeremany
Cynthia Arnold	Jim & Wealtha Flick	Bridgette Negri	Geraldine Wearsch
Dakota Biery	Jim Fligg	Finley Bryan Perry	Bill Whitman
Camie & North	Jim Folliard	and Family	Al Williams
Burmester	Lori Godwin	Harriet Rauenzahn	
Tammy Carrow	Jean Hahm	Leah Ray	
Adriana Caruso	Blair Harlan	Abby Renie	
John Ciampi	Mary Hart	John Rist	
Mason & Pat Colby	Sandra Johnson	Twila Rowe	
Dick Creviston	Keira Krumbine	Carol Schwiers	



## 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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