



April 3, 2022  
Fifth Sunday in Lent

**Psalm 126**

<sup>1</sup> When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

<sup>2</sup> Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

<sup>3</sup> The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

<sup>4</sup> Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb.

<sup>5</sup> May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

<sup>6</sup> Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.



FIFTH SUNDAY  
*in*  
LENT

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**

**Prelude:** "Short Voluntary in G Major"

William Walond  
(1719-1768)

**\* Call to Worship**

*God's spirit is moving among us; give thanks!*

*Our God is about to do a new thing in our midst.*

**How good it is to be chosen by God;**

**We gather to sing our praises and thanks.**

*God has done great things for us; we are glad!*

*Now God is pointing us toward new goals.*

**We are waiting to hear what God would have us do;**

**We are ready to risk new behaviors to be faithful.**

*Let us worship God.*

\* **Hymn #310: "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"**

ST. AGNES

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| <p>1. <b>Jesus, the very thought of Thee</b><br/>With sweetness fills my breast;<br/>But sweeter far Thy face to see,<br/>And in Thy presence rest.</p> <p>2. <b>Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,</b><br/>Nor can the mind recall<br/>A sweeter sound than Thy blest name,<br/>O Savior of us all.</p> | <p>3. <b>O hope of every contrite heart,</b><br/>O joy of all the meek,<br/>To those who fall, how kind Thou art!<br/>How good to those who seek!</p> <p>4. <b>But what to those who find? Ah, this</b><br/>Nor tongue nor pen can show;<br/>The love of Jesus, what it is,<br/>None but His loved ones know.</p> |
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### **Call to Confession**

#### **Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession**

**O God, whose upward call in Christ Jesus we have so often chosen to ignore, we confess that we settle for lesser goals while you summon us to embrace the realm of heaven. We seldom look beyond our own interests to the well-being of our sisters and brothers. We can see the wasteful acts of other people but not our own selfish habits. We exaggerate the contributions we make but ignore the sacrifices of others. We need forgiveness, O God. Do a new thing within and among us.**

#### **Affirmation of Forgiveness**

*Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.*

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\* **Gloria Patri**

Henry Greatorex (1816-1858)

**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

Isaiah 43:16-21

*<sup>16</sup> Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, <sup>17</sup> who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: <sup>18</sup> Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. <sup>19</sup> I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. <sup>20</sup> The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, <sup>21</sup> the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.*

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

### The Gospel Reading

John 12:1-8

***12** Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup> There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. <sup>3</sup> Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. <sup>4</sup> But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, <sup>5</sup> "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" <sup>6</sup> (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) <sup>7</sup> Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. <sup>8</sup> You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."*

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message: Sermon Series: Gathered Up in Jesus: "Filled with Fragrance"** The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

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

Andrew Lloyd Webber

Michele Byrd, Soprano

(b. 1948)

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

*Pie Jesu domine, dona eis requiem, Agnus Dei, sempiternam requiem.*

*Merciful Jesus, Lord, Lamb of God, 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.**

## Pastoral Prayer

# THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

## 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

**Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### \* Hymn #92: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

ST. CHRISTOPHER

#### 1. Beneath the cross of Jesus

**I fain would take my stand,  
The shadow of a mighty rock  
Within a weary land;  
A home within the wilderness,  
A rest upon the way,  
From the burning of the noontide heat,  
And the burden of the day.**

#### 2. Upon that cross of Jesus

**Mine eye at times can see  
The very dying form of One  
Who suffered there for me;  
And from my stricken heart with tears  
Two wonders I confess:  
The wonders of redeeming love  
And my unworthiness.**

**\* Commission and Blessing**

*The spirit of God sends us forth, a thankful people;  
God goes with us, accomplishing new things among us.*

**God's praise will continually be on our lips.**

**We will embrace God's future as we seek to follow Christ.**

*Alleluia.*

**Amen.**

**\* The Lord's Prayer**

Albert Hay Malotte (1895-1964)

**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:** "Toccata in E Minor"

Johann Pachelbel  
(1653-1706)

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

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

**The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor**  
**Bill Payne, Virtual worship Liturgist**  
**The Rev. Louis S. Thompson, Parish Associate**  
**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**

**The Chancel Choir, for Sunday worship**  
**Julie Carver, Pianist for Sunday worship**  
**Greeters:** David & Beth Lee  
**Ushers:** Claudia Polzin and Carolyn Magarro (*Head Ushers*), Bill & Mary Koppelkam, David & Cherie Baines, Bill & Joyce Dersch, Pat Rose  
**Soundboard Operators:** Jim Hart & Victoria Bonavita



The flowers on the chancel are donated in loving memory of Hank Heitmann by Bunny.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK**

**April 10:**

**Palm Sunday**  
**First Reading:**  
**Isaiah 50:4-9a**  
**Gospel Reading:**  
**Luke 19:28-40**

**Lenten Sermon Series:**  
**Gathered Up in Jesus**  
**Sermon:**  
**"The Lord Needs It"**



Special thanks to Clark Smith for sponsoring Fellowship Hour today.

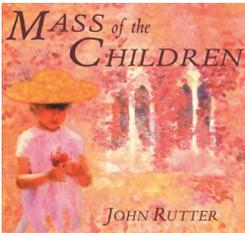


## VPC NEWS

**A TIME FOR CELEBRATION!** Today (**Sunday, April 3**) we celebrate the commissioning of five caring members of our congregation who have completed training and are ready to use their spiritual gifts as Stephen Ministers. As we commission them and send them forth, let us thank God for the love and the generosity that inspired their response to God's call, and let us pray for the success of this ministry. Please welcome Dixie Bibb, Joan Butler, Barbara Green, Jody Nowry & Lee Weeks as they join our Stephen Ministry team. Join us in Fellowship Hall after the service to celebrate them!



**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**



### **OUR NEXT CONCERT WILL PRESENT THE BEAUTIFUL MUSIC OF JOHN RUTTER:**

On **Sunday, April 10 at 2pm** the beloved composer, John Rutter, will be featured when the Chancel Choir sings selections from his *Mass of the Children* in addition to some of Vanderbilt's most loved anthems including; *For the Beauty of the Earth* and *Look at the World*. The choir will be joined by Matthew Swingle, Organist, Julie Carver, Pianist, and Michele Byrd, Soprano. You will not want to miss this concert!

### **PLEASE CONSIDER SPONSORING THE CHANCEL FLOWERS OR FELLOWSHIP HOUR:**

We have many dates available to sponsor the chancel flowers and Fellowship Hour. You can do so in honor or memory of a loved one or just because you love your church! Contact Barbara Bonavita at 597-5410 to schedule a date.



**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 91%** of the way there....why not join in! It's not too late!!

### **HOLY WEEK AND EASTER:**



**PALM SUNDAY: April 10** we will have one in-person worship service at **10am**. We **MAY** add an 8:30am service, if needed based on attendance on April 3. This will be announced on April 4. Check your email on Monday! Join us in Fellowship Hall after the 10am service to celebrate the retirement of the Deo Gloria debt...we will have cake!!

**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. We are grateful to Boston Beer Garden for donating our meal.



**GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE:** Join us as we gather in the Sanctuary on **Good Friday, April 15 at 7pm** for a special service focused on the Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ. The VandeReaders and The Chancel Choir will lead this meditative service which will include the extinguishing of candles. If you cannot attend, a virtual service will be available.

**EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES:** Join us to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on **Sunday, April 17! 6:30am outdoor service, 8:30 & 10am worship in the sanctuary** with special music. An **Easter Egg hunt** will take place after the **10am service**.



**WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIGHTS: April 6** is a great night to "Bring all your PEEPS!" We're celebrating our Easter Blessings, including our youth group friends. Join us for games during the Tournament of PEEPS. Throughout April, our children and youth groups (ages PreK-3 through High School) will be learning about the American Cancer Society and participating in Relay for Life with a special service project. VPC Youth are selling luminaria bags for \$10 in honor, in memory or in support of someone with cancer. Luminaria bags will be added to the final lap of Relay for Life. All monies collected will go directly to the

American Cancer Society. To purchase, come visit us in Fellowship Hall after Worship on April 3, 10 and 24 or during Wednesday Night Lights on April 6 and 20. Everyone is invited to join us at Mercato for Relay for Life on Saturday, April 30. VPC Youth will participate in the 6:15pm Bubble Lap, the 8:15pm Glow Lap and stay for the 8:30pm Luminaria Lap. Come for one or stay for all!

**EASTER FLOWERS:** To be included in the bulletin, please return by **April 3**.

**EASTER CARDS:** Pick up your Easter Cards



**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OFFERINGS:**

**THE SUNDAY SEMINAR: "LOST SCRIPTURES OF THE NEW TESTAMENT"**

◇**Sunday, 11:15am**, Harp Hall led by Dr. John Braun.

**AN EDUCATION OFFERING FOR MEN**

◇**Tuesdays at 9am** in Harp Hall. *This class will conclude on April 12.*

**WISDOM SEEKERS**

◇**Wednesday, April 6** 11am-1pm in Harp Hall - bring your own lunch

**PASTOR ROB'S BIBLE STUDY FOR ADULTS**

◇**Wednesdays at 6pm** in Harp Hall.



**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY:** Thank you for your generosity during our Habitat Month! We raised **\$69,385** towards our \$100,000 goal. Congratulations to Emily, Sofia and Vivian for coming in first place in our Habitat Build Challenge! Look in the Week-at-a-Glance email on Monday for photos and other winners.

**PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE:** VPC is doing our best to "stand in the GAP" by Giving, Acting, and Praying. We are 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 donate online at [www.vpcnaples.org](http://www.vpcnaples.org).

**FINANCIAL UPDATE—OPERATING FUND**

	<b>February</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>
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

**CPL 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





**\*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!

**Happy Birthday!**

Rodger Jacob 4/3  
 Woody Schneider 4/3  
 CC Waskey 4/3  
 \*Nancy Hansen 4/5

\*Becky Wheat 4/5  
 Frank Bates 4/6  
 \*Debbie Dawley 4/6  
 Bill Lienemann 4/6  
 Erin Klein 4/7  
 Fred Minter 4/9  
 \*Jill Peterson 4/9

**Happy Anniversary!**

Jim & Martha Fligg 4/1  
 Dick & Susie Hilton 4/1  
 Chris & Robert DeBruyckere 4/8



**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.

Margaret Andreason	Jim Fligg	Joan Mountford	Geraldine Wearsch
Cynthia Arnold	Jim Folliard	Bridgette Negri	Bill Whitman
Ron Bartlett	Lori Godwin	Finley Bryan Perry	Sean and AJ
Camie & North	Jean Hahm	& Family	& the Wiegert Family
Burmester	Blair Harlan	Harriet Rauenzahn	Al Williams
Tammie Carow	Mary Hart	Leah Ray	
Adriana Caruso	Bill Hunt	The Rist & Loughran	
Mason & Pat Colby	Janie Hunt	Families	
Dick Creviston	Sandra Johnson	Twila Rowe	
Ron Davis	Keira Krumbine	Carol Schwiers	
Marlene Everson	Judy Malone	Harold Soule	
Jim & Wealtha Flick	Marilyn McKee	J. Richard Szeremany	

We are saddened to announce the death of **John Rist** on March 29, 2022. John and his late wife, Jo, were members of Vanderbilt for over 27 years. John served on many different teams during his long membership at the church. Keep his daughter, Leslie Loughran, and the rest of his family in your prayers. Information on a memorial service will be announced at a later date.



**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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