

Vanderbilt

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 3, 2022

The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

IT'S
THAT
SIMPLE

Psalm 30: 1-5

¹ I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up
and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

² O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

³ O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol,
restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.

⁴ Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

⁵ For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

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**.

Green Friendship Pads

We invite you, members and visitors, to sign our Green Friendship Pads and pass it down your pew and back, to welcome those with whom you are worshipping. If you are visiting, please fill out the blue card and leave it in the green pad.

Announcements

Prelude: "The Rejoicing"

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

* Call to Worship

The realm of God has come near.

Enter this time of worship with joyous expectation.

We will extol you, O God, for you have drawn us up.

You rescued us from the pit and restored us to life.

Sing praises to God, all faithful ones.

Give thanks to God's holy name.

We have known your favor, O God, in many ways.

You have healed us and turned our mourning to dancing.

Let us worship God.

*** Hymn #561:** "My Country 'Tis of Thee"

AMERICA

1. My country, 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty, Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrims' pride,
From every mountainside,
Let freedom ring!

2. My native country, thee,
Land of the noble free, Thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills,
Like that above.

Continued

3. Let music swell the breeze,
And ring from all the trees,
Sweet freedom's song;
Let mortal tongues awake;
Let all that breathe partake;
Let rocks their silence break,
The sound prolong.

4. Our fathers' God, to Thee,
Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing;
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God, our King.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

Gentle God, angry God, gracious God, we know we have let you down in many ways. We have not lived up to your high intentions for us. You send us out as ambassadors of peace and instead we pick fights with our sisters and brothers. You commission us to travel light, and we become bogged down with our possessions. You ask us to help ease the burdens others carry, but we add to them. You call us to joy in your inclusive realm, but instead we create our own ghettos. Patient God, will you forgive us again? *(Silence)* 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.

A 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 ages three through first grade may go to the Student Center for Summer Ministry Sessions. Nursery Ministry is also available for children birth through age two. Formal Sunday school for Children and Youth (ages three through high school) will resume on **September 11th** at our Fall Education Kick Off.

**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

2 Kings 5:1-14

¹ Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease." ⁴ So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. ⁵ And the king of Aram said, "Go, then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel." He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. ⁶ He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his skin disease." ⁷ When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." ⁸ But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶ And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹ 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' ¹⁶ "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." ¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸ He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a

flash of lightning. ¹⁹ Indeed, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

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Message: Sermon Series: *In Pursuit of a Prophet*: "It's That Simple"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Solo: "We Shall Behold Him"

Dottie Rambo
(1934-2008)

Michele Byrd, *Soprano*

The sky shall unfold, preparing His entrance; The stars shall applaud Him with thunders of praise. The sweet light in His eyes shall enhance those awaiting, And we shall behold Him then face to face in all of His glory, our Savior and Lord. The angels shall sound the shout of His coming, The sleeping shall rise from their slumbering place. And those who remain shall be changed in a moment, And we shall behold Him then face to face.

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.**

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.

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

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*** Hymn #562: "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"**

MELITA

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| <p>1. Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm has bound the restless wave,
Who bade the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea.</p> <p>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:
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea.</p> | <p>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:
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea.</p> <p>4. O Trinity of love and power,
All travelers guard in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad praise from air and land and sea.</p> |
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*** Commission and Blessing**

God sends us out as lambs among wolves.
It is not easy to proclaim the gospel.
We will not fear to let our faith be known.
We want to carry God's peace into our world.
Alleluia.
Amen.

Postlude: "God Bless America"

Irving Berlin (1888-1989)

God bless America, land that I love;
stand beside her and guide her
through the night with a light from above.
From the mountains to the prairies,
to the oceans white with foam:
God bless America, my home sweet home.

Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, *Pastor*
Dixie Bibb, *Liturgist for virtual worship*
The Rev. Louis S. Thompson, *Parish Associate*
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*
Stanley Leonard, *Timpani for Sunday worship*
Virginia Garner Cullison, *Violin for Sunday worship*
Greeters: Joan Butler & Ruth Felipe
Ushers: Claudia Polzin & Carolyn Magarro (Head Ushers), Jerry Warnken, Rebecca Beavers, Nellie Cummins, Carol & Price Lindsay, Pat Rose
Soundboard Operator: Victoria Bonavita

The flowers on the chancel are given
in joyous celebration of June Peterson's 96th
birthday by her loving family.



The summer church picnic is sponsored by
the Worship, Music, and Liturgical Arts Team.
Please plan to come to the concert in
the sanctuary at 1pm after lunch
and the VandeReaders presentation
in Fellowship Hall.

VPC NEWS

SUMMER CELEBRATION AND CONCERT! Join us for a celebration on **Sunday, July 3!** Following the worship service we will be having a summer picnic and short performance by the VandeReaders in Fellowship Hall. After the picnic, plan to join us in the sanctuary for a Concert (1pm) featuring our own Dr. James Cochran, Michele Byrd and Colin Gerlach.



SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

**July 10: The Fifth Sunday after
Pentecost**
First Reading:
Amos 7:7-17
Gospel Reading:
Luke 10:25-37
Sermon Series:
In Pursuit of a Prophet
Sermon:
"Hearing Harsh Words"

BEGINNING NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 10, 2022,

our in-person worship service will be live streamed directly to our website and Facebook. That means you can tune in to www.vpcnaples.org or on **Facebook** at 10am on Sunday mornings to watch the service live! If you want to watch at a later time, the service will be available on our website. Detailed instructions have been emailed and are on our website. If you have any questions, call the office 597-5410.



OUR STEPHEN MINISTERS will meet this Thursday evening, July 7 at 7pm in Harp Hall. The education topic is "Ministering to Those that are Dying and Their Family and Friends". This is a challenging topic, but one our Stephen Ministers need to discuss and process together, sharing, growing, and learning. Stephen Ministers are congregation members equipped and commissioned for caring ministry. Stephen Ministers are people like you—caring Christians who want to make a difference in the lives of those going through difficult times. Our Stephen Leaders are Kay Beernink, Carolyn Magarro, Jill Peterson, and Jon White. Our Stephen Ministers are Dixie Bibb, Joan Butler, Barbara Green, Judy Jacobs, Jean Lee, Karen Negri, Eliza Nevin, Jody Nowry, Geri Payne, Pat Peters, Twila Rowe and Lee Weeks.



JOIN A SMALL GROUP:

MAH JONGG! Contact Geri Payne
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

MIDWEEK SMALL GROUP

BIBLE STUDY:

Wednesdays at 6pm Harp Hall.

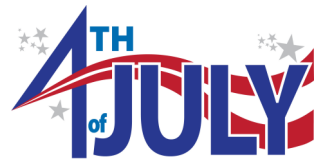
WISDOM SEEKERS:

Wednesday, July 6 at 12pm

Library Bring your own lunch.

FRIENDS IN FAITH:

2nd & 4th Wednesdays each month,
starting **July 13 at 10am** Harp Hall.



**IN OBSERVANCE OF
THE 4th OF JULY,**
the VPC office will be
CLOSED on **Monday,**
July 4.

PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW IF YOU ARE IN THE HOSPITAL: If you or a member of your family are hospitalized, please call the church office. The hospital is changing their software and are unable to notify the church. The only way we know, is if you communicate to us directly. Thanks.

The Wholistic Health Ministry Team is focusing on simple things each of us can do to contribute to the health of our environment. For instance, did you know that **white Styrofoam** packaging materials should **never** be put into your curbside Recycle Bin? Our North Naples Recycling Center on Goodlette-Frank Road has a **Styrofoam Extruder** that they use to repurpose **white Styrofoam** (not black). All you have to do is accumulate those take home containers, meat trays, etc. (after rinsing them clean), as well **Styrofoam** packing materials (not the small peanut-like pieces). You can then drop off your bundle at the Recycling Center anytime they are open.

FINANCIAL UPDATE - OPERATING FUND 2022

	May	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Operating Income	\$ 90,130	\$597,501	\$665,900
Expenses	\$117,443	\$507,061	\$554,300
Net	(\$ 27,313)	\$ 90,440	\$111,600



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)

LT Wyatt R. Dawley

US Navy Intel/SEAL Team
(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)

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

SGT 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!

Katherine Skrabonja	7/1	Byna Hood	7/4
Barbara Faude	7/2	Jason Mikes	7/4
Barbara Minter	7/2	Tom Hallin	7/5
Heidi Stryker	7/2	Marge Piano	7/6
Margaret Waters	7/2	Charles Thompson	7/6
Henry Gaylord	7/3	Paige Leaming	7/7
Caroline Halliwell	7/3	Twila Rowe	7/7
Will McDonough	7/3	Caroline Thomas	7/7
Michael Thomas	7/3	Oliver Hood	7/8
Greg Borden	7/4	Barbara Thomas	7/8
John Braun	7/4	Susanne VanderStarre	7/8
Liberty Franklin	7/4	Mavelyn Millard	7/9
		Sherry Smith	7/9



***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!

Happy Anniversary!

Pete & Karen Rodino	7/4
Douglas & Tammy Wilson	7/4
Nena & Bill Beynon	7/7
Jody & Ron Nowry	7/7



PRAYER CONCERNS

Please continue to hold in prayer our church family and friends facing illness, injury and hardship. If you have any joys 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 30 days, after which a new prayer request card should be submitted.

Rich Annunziata	Shirley Grine	Bill Payne
Cynthia Arnold	Jean Hahm	Ernie Sartorius
The Brockington Family	Mary Hart	Carol Schwiars
Adriana Caruso	Tom Hurley	Jeff Smith
Mason & Pat Colby	Sandra Johnson	Dr. Al Tatarunius
Dick Creviston	Chester Kauffman	Diane Toulouse
Ron Davis	Keira Krumbine	Tony & Yvonne Van Rooyen
Nancy Diederich	Judy Malone	Geraldine Wearsh
Annette & Bill Dietrich	Doris Martin	
Marlene Everson	Marilyn McKee	
Jean Fletcher	Vicki Mobley	
Jim & Wealtha Flick	Joan Mountford	
Jim Folliard	Bridgette Negri	
Gerry & Lynn Greenblatt	Joseph Negri	



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.

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



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