

Vanderbilt

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 10, 2022

The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost



Psalm 82

- ¹ God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:
² "How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked?"
³ Give justice to the weak and the orphan; maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute.
⁴ Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."
⁵ They have neither knowledge nor understanding; they walk around in darkness;
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
⁶ I say, "You are gods, children of the Most High, all of you;
⁷ nevertheless, you shall die like mortals and fall like any prince."
⁸ Rise up, O God, judge the earth, for all the nations belong to you!

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.

Prelude: "Prelude and Fugue in D"

Johann Pachelbel
(1653-1706)

Announcements

* Call to Worship

God calls together a divine council to render judgment.

God holds a plumb line to measure our faithfulness.

Who can stand before the judgments of God?

How shall we know what God expects of us?

Lift up your prayers for God's mercy.

Earnestly seek to know the ways of truth and salvation.

God will deliver us from the hands of the wicked.

God will put an end to wanton treachery.

Let us worship God.

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.
2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and
love.
3. To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish; but naught changeth
Thee.
4. Thou reignest in glory, Thou rulest in light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

Righteous God, we confess our easy compliance with ways of the world. We are happy to accept advantages for ourselves that are unavailable to many. We do not call oppressors to account or recognize our own oppressive ways. We pass by many who suffer, as if their suffering were no concern of ours. Our practice of the faith gives neither offense nor inspiration. We are troubled when we see ourselves this way. Redeem us, O God! Amen.

(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

Amos 7:7-17

⁷ This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸ And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will spare them no longer; ⁹ the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." ¹⁰ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹ For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' " ¹² And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there, ¹³ but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." ¹⁴ Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am^[a] no prophet nor a prophet's son, but I am^[b] a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵ and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' ¹⁶ "Now therefore hear the word of the LORD. You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.' ¹⁷ Therefore thus says the LORD: Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land." *The Word of the Lord.*

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Luke 10:25-37

²⁵ An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." ²⁹ But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Sermon Series: *In Pursuit of a Prophet*: "Hearing Harsh Words"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Anthem: "Simple Gifts"

Shaker Tune, arr. Mark Schweizer
(after Johann Pachelbel's Canon in D)

The Chancel Choir

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 I Cor. 15:1-6; Mark 16:1-9; Matt. 16:16; Rev. 22:13; John 20:28

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. 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.

*** Hymn #345: "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"**

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|---|---|
| 1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways;
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,
In purer lives Thy service find,
In deeper reverence, praise. | 3. O Sabbath rest by Galilee,
O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with Thee
The silence of eternity,
Interpreted by love! |
| 2. In simple trust like theirs who heard,
Beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord,
Let us, like them, without a word,
Rise up and follow Thee. | 4. Drop Thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of Thy peace. |

*** Benediction and Blessing**

The Rev. Dr. Louis S. Thompson

*** 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: "Toccatina in C Major"

Pachelbel

Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor

Bill Payne, Liturgist

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

The Chancel Choir, for Sunday worship

Julie Carver, Pianist for Sunday worship

Greeters: Joan Butler & Jan Fern

Ushers: Claudia Polzin & Carolyn Magarro (Head Ushers), Karen Chappler, Ron & Linda Addaman, Nancy Guthy, Dianne Westerlund

Soundboard Operator: Victoria Bonavita

BEGINNING TODAY!!



Our Sunday 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 in the Sermon Library. If you have any questions, call the office 597-5410.

The Fellowship Hour is sponsored by the Deacons in grateful thanksgiving for the many years of love and service given by Lou and Mary Thompson.



The flowers on the chancel are given in loving memory of our mother, Edith Sieling, by Ron Sieling and Joan Elliott and in appreciation of the many years of dedicated service to Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church by The Rev. Dr. Louis S. Thompson and his devoted wife, Mary.



VPC NEWS

JOIN US FOR A CELEBRATION OF DR. LOU AND MARY THOMPSON! Today at our Fellowship time following worship, we will celebrate and thank The Rev. Dr. Louis S. Thompson and his wife, Mary. *Motion: The Session hereby approves a Resolution of Thanks to the Rev. Dr. Louis S. Thompson for his many years of service to the larger Presbyterian Church and, in particular, the members of Vanderbilt Presbyterian. We want you to know that our gratitude and love will always be with you and hope that you and Mary will continue to "bless us" with your presence each Sunday that you are able. Your work that you began among us will continue onward. Our prayer is that you will both experience health and happiness in your new retirement.* Richard A. Hilton, Clerk of Session.



IT'S TIME FOR VBS! From the Book of Matthew we hear these words, "Give us this day our daily bread." This verse reminds us that everything we have comes from God — but it also calls us to turn to God in prayer to meet our daily needs. Because God loves and cares for us, we, in turn, can love and care for the rest of the world. We care for others because God first cared for us. We serve others because God first served us. In this way, the Church becomes the hands of God, ensuring that everyone's needs are met. Please join us in praying for our efforts as we begin Food Truck VBS this week, and for an amazing group of leaders and the children and youth they are dedicated to guiding to a deeper relationship with God through Jesus.

VBS MISSION PROJECT JULY 17-24: VBS is for EVERYONE! We are teaching and learning together! Chefs at the Food Truck Party will learn the value of service, giving back, and reaching out to everyone near and far with God's unconditional love. When we show kindness and love, and treat others with respect, we join God in providing daily bread and become God's hands. VPC is collecting school supplies and backpacks for Misión Peniel, as they resume their annual Backpack Drive for kindergarten through 8th grade students. You are invited to bring supplies to church on Sunday, July 17, as we kick off VBS and again on Sunday, July 24. A collection box will be available in the Narthex near the children's ministry corner. Church family and VBS attendees can bring supplies throughout the week to camp/church office from 9am-12pm. Monetary donations can also be made to VPC via check or online - note Misión Peniel Backpacks/Supplies in the memo line. Thank you for leading by example!



COME EAT AT THE VBS FOOD TRUCK PARTY - JULY 18, 20 & 22!

Join us for lunch on Monday (July 18), Wednesday (July 20) and Friday (July 22). Bring your school supply donations for the VBS Mission Project! Stay for lunch and fellowship! Special menus will be provided during VBS dismissal (Noon). Food and drinks will be available for purchase from 11:30am until 1:30pm. Dine in Fellowship Hall, al fresco on the patio or take it to go. All are welcome. Invite your friends, family and neighbors! Help us celebrate on Friday with snow cones! Cash and credit cards will be accepted by our vendors — The Food Rock, Easy Cheesy, Red's What The Food and Icy Dreamz.

JOIN A SMALL GROUP

MAH JONGG! Contact Geri Payne at 593-5529 or paynegnb@comcast.net



BRIDGE! Contact Nadine Gaylord
740-816-1628 or
nanjan69@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

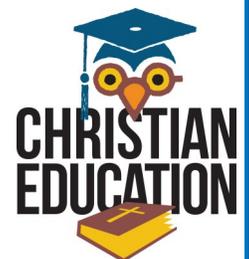
MIDWEEK SMALL GROUP

BIBLE STUDY:

Wednesdays at 5:30pm Harp Hall.

FRIENDS IN FAITH:

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



SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

July 17: The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Psalm 52

Gospel Reading: Luke 10:38-42

Guest Preacher, Jennie Thomas,

Director of Spiritual Care at

NCH Healthcare System



Growing Climate Solutions

Path to Positive

Southwest Florida

COMPOSTABLE PAPER PRODUCTS: As a part of VPC's decision to support Global Climate Solutions, the Wholistic Health Team will bring information to light to help our congregation to make informed decisions regarding our part in the world wide climate crisis. Today's highlight is regarding disposable paper products. We have all become somewhat dependent on the convenience of these products - did you know that you can choose **compostable paper products**? These paper plates, napkins, etc., can be purchased in most local grocery stores, very reasonably priced. **Most are 100% compostable and made from plant based materials.** The next time you choose to use disposable, make sure that it is compostable.

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. Thanks.

A **STEPHEN MINISTER** comes alongside a hurting person and meets with that person on a weekly basis to listen, care, encourage, pray, and provide emotional and spiritual support.



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

Men are paired with men, women with women. Over the years, well over one-and-a-half million people have benefited from the one-to-one, Christ-centered care of a Stephen Minister. This care is entirely confidential and care receiver identity is not shared except with their Stephen Minister, the Referrals Coordinator, and the pastor. VPC has had Stephen Ministry for 24 years and helped an estimated 260 care receivers over the years.

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!

Tom Nale	7/10		
Jodi Reckmeyer	7/12		
Peter Tremblay	7/12		
Hal Wendler	7/12	Vicki Evans	7/15
Pat Gould	7/13	Joni Poposki	7/15
Colton Monda	7/13	Ellen Morton	7/16
Loren Warner	7/13	Berniece Pak	7/16
Dianne Westerlund	7/13	Jill Trees	7/16



***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!

Carmen & Jim Campbell	7/11
Dick & Sherry Hardgrove	7/15



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 Schwiers
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	

“But I say to you that listen,

Love
your enemies,
do good

to those who hate you,

bless

those who curse you,

pray

for those who abuse you.”

Luke 6:27-28, NRSV

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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