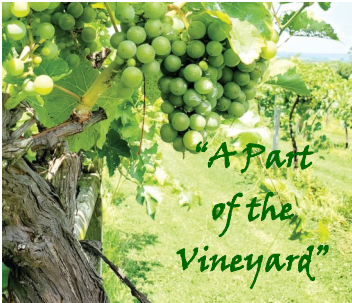




August 14, 2022

The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19



- ¹ Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock!
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth
² before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh. Stir up your might, and come to save us!
⁸ You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it.
⁹ You cleared the ground for it; it took deep root and filled the land.
¹⁰ The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches;
¹¹ it sent out its branches to the sea and its shoots to the River.
¹² Why then have you broken down its walls, so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?
¹³ The boar from the forest ravages it, and all that move in the field feed on it.
¹⁴ Turn again, O God of hosts; look down from heaven and see; have regard for this vine,
¹⁵ the stock that your right hand planted.
¹⁶ It has been burned with fire; it has been cut down;
may they perish at the rebuke of your countenance.
¹⁷ But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,
the one whom you made strong for yourself.
¹⁸ Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name.
¹⁹ Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

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: Variations on "What God Ordains is Best"

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Announcements

*** Call to Worship**

Return, beloved of God, to the fold.

God welcomes you to this hour of prayer.

God calls us by name and awaits our coming.

God summons us out of hiding.

Worship the one who longs for our coming.

Sing praise to the one who expects our faithfulness.

We call on God, who gives us life.

May God's face shine on us to save us.

Let us worship God.

*** Hymn #155: "Rejoice, the Lord is King!"**

DARWALL'S 148th

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| <p>1. Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing,
And triumph evermore:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!</p> <p>2. God's kingdom cannot fail,
Christ rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!</p> | <p>3. Rejoice in glorious hope!
For Christ the Judge shall come
To glorify the saints
For their eternal home:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!</p> |
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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

O God, after all you have done for us, we have failed to bear fruit for you. We have turned away from your Word and have forgotten to call on your name. People who are weak, lonely, and destitute receive little help from our hands because we are preoccupied with our own concerns. Lift us from the shadows of our own deceits and let your face shine on us so we may walk once more in your truth. *(Silence)* Amen.

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.**

Baptism of Cohen Ashton Vayda

Congratulations to the parents of Cohen (Kyle & Brooke) and sisters (Colette & Emmy) on his baptism today.

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

Isaiah 5:1-7

¹ I will sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. ² He dug it and cleared it of stones and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded rotten grapes. ³ And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴ What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield rotten grapes? ⁵ And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. ⁶ I will make it a wasteland; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. ⁷ For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his cherished garden; he expected justice but saw bloodshed; righteousness but heard a cry!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Luke 12:49-56

⁴⁹ "I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵² From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³ they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." ⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain,' and so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: **Sermon Series:** *In Pursuit of a Prophet*

Sermon: "A Part of the Vineyard"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Anthem: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

William Bradbury (1816-1868)

The Chancel Choir

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. On Christ, the solid Rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood; when all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh may I then in Him be found, dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.

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 Belhar Confession

We believe that God has revealed himself as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people; that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged. That God calls the church to follow him in this; for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry. That in following Christ the church must witness against all the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interests and thus control and harm others. 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 #276: "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS

**1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not,
Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever will be.**

**2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.
*Refrain***

Refrain:

**Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for
tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!
*Refrain***

*** Commission and Blessing**

God has planted and nurtured a splendid vineyard.

We are vines, expected to bear good fruit.

No longer will we be choked out by thorns and briars.

Deceit and lies will not overcome us.

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: "Toccata in F Major"

Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor

Gwen Salyer, 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

Julie Carver, Pianist

Greeters: Shar & Lynn Rosser

Ushers: Claudia Polzin & Carolyn Magarro
(Head Ushers), Ron and Linda Addaman, Becky
Wheat, Bill and Sue Van Fossen

Soundboard Operator: Victoria Bonavita

The flowers on the chancel are given in loving
memory of my husband, Scott, by Joan Elliott
and
In honor of Brooke's grandmother, Wilma Lee
Hock, who just passed away by the Vayda Family.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

August 21: The 11th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10

Gospel Reading: Luke 13:10-17

Sermon Series: "In Pursuit of a Prophet"

Sermon: "You Were Made for This"



**The Fellowship Hour is
sponsored by Shar and Lynn
Rosser in honor of all
children going back to school!**

**Thank you to the Vayda Family
for the cupcakes at Fellowship Hour
in celebration of Cohen's baptism today!
Congratulations Cohen!**



VPC NEWS

CAN YOU SPARE A DROP? Our next blood drive is **TODAY from 9am - 12pm**. To donate, you must wear a face mask on the bloodmobile, bring your ID, eat well and be hydrated, be at least 16 years of age and weigh at least 110 pounds. Walk-ins are welcome. If you have questions, ask Price Lindsay, Deacon Liaison to the NCH Blood Center.

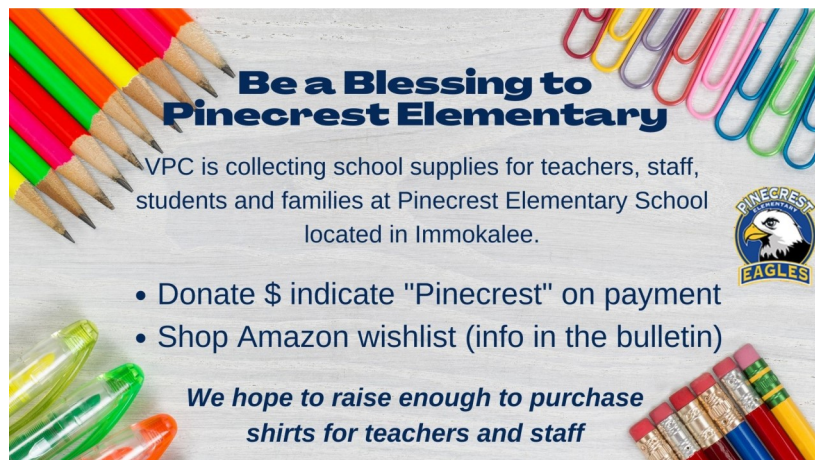


BACK TO SCHOOL SEASON IS HERE! It's time to begin a new adventure in education — at home, at school, at church and serving our community. As you look forward to planning your new routines, be sure to save the dates for Worship, Sunday School and Wednesday Night Programming too!

***Aug. 21 Back to School Blessing *Sept. 7 Wednesday Night Lights Begins for Children & Youth Groups**

YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING & TEACHER

COMMISSIONING SUNDAY! Join us for a family-led worship on **August 21 at 10am**. We will celebrate the beginning of this school year and ask God for blessings upon the children, the educators, and the families who support them. Join us for a picnic lunch and ice cream social in Fellowship Hall. Sign up! hmikes@vpcnaples.org.



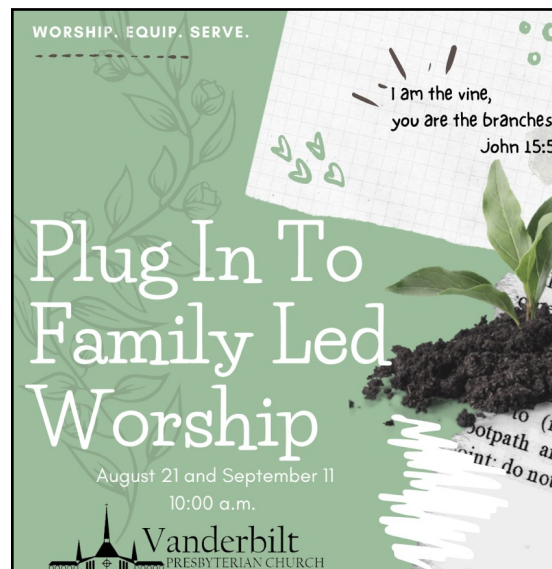
Please visit the Amazon Wish List "VPC Back to School Blessing Pinecrest Elementary 2022-23" and select items to purchase. Choose to ship them directly to the school (NOT to VPC) between now and **August 31**. You can also make a monetary contribution. Please mail a check to VPC or go online to give. Indicate "Pinecrest" in the memo area of your check or online in the Custom Section (page two). https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3ILXQTCIUMP6T?ref=wl_share

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR: Jesus taught to "love your neighbor as yourself" (Mark 12:31). Stephen Ministry is one important, tangible way to carry out this commandment and show God's love to others. Stephen Ministry has been around since 1975, when Kenneth Haugk, a pastor and clinical psychologist, began it to multiply the caregiving in his congregation in St. Louis, Missouri.



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

We have had Stephen Ministry here at Vanderbilt Presbyterian since 1999. Our Stephen Leaders are Kay Beernink, Cherry Jacobus, Carolyn Magarro, Jill Peterson, Twila Rowe, and Jon White. Our Stephen Ministers are Joan Butler, Barbara Green, Judy Jacobs, Sandra Johnson, Jean Lee, Roberta McMaster, Karen Negri, Eliza Nevin, Jody Nowry, Geri Payne, Pat Peters, and Lee Weeks.



DO YOU HAVE A HEART FOR MISSIONS? Join us for a Mission meeting on **Tuesday, August 16 at 7pm via Zoom**. Call the church office for the link to join in! We need more volunteers to help us help others!

On **Thursday, September 8, 2022** volunteers are needed to pack 300 bags of food for homeless children or those living at the poverty level as part of the Weekend Power Pack Program. The food will be assembled in Fellowship Hall at 10:30am. Packing takes approximately one hour. The school guidance counselor told us that the children are very excited to receive their "power pack" in their backpack before leaving school for the weekend. Please contact Becky Wheat at sportbroad@comcast.net for more information or to volunteer.



Lend a helping hand for kids!



PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE: The recent floods in Kentucky, Missouri and Virginia have been in the headlines and some of us wonder, what can I do? The PCUSA supports people in need via Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; www.pda.pcusa.org/situation/july-flooding/. If you are looking for a way to help those in need in consider making a donation on the website above. The PDA makes sure that the funds go directly to those in the most need. Help us send the love of Christ into the world by supporting the PDA in their efforts to help families that have lost everything due to these unprecedented floods. Thank you for your generosity.

CLIMATE CHANGE

Are you overwhelmed, stressed and tired of hearing about climate change? Concerned that the little you may be able to do is simply not enough to make any difference now? Many of us feel that way. As a first step, VPC, with support of the Wholistic Health, Building and Grounds, and Education Teams, has partnered with Growing Climate Solutions, which is a locally focused group striving to make changes here in SWFL.



Join with us as we move forward with actions in the coming year.

- Educational events
- Creating or modifying a policy, rule, habit
- Engaging in a project.

Working together to affect and change what we can here at home may help us feel less overwhelmed.

GATHER WITH YOUR VPC FRIENDS!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Midweek Small Group Bible Study:

Wednesdays at 5:30pm in the Library

Friends in Faith: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month, at 10am in Harp Hall & by ZOOM

JOIN A SMALL GROUP!

MAH JONGG

Contact Geri Payne at 593-5529 or

paynegnb@comcast.net

BRIDGE

Contact Nadine Gaylord at 740-816-1628 or

nanjan69@gmail.com

Our Sunday worship service is 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 at (239) 597-5410.



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

**SUPPORT
MILITARY
FAMILIES**



Happy Birthday!

*Bill Beynon	8/14
Greta Corcoran	8/15
Shirley Daugherty	8/15
John Pender	8/15
Valerie Tomsic	8/15
Sue Van Fossen	8/15

Rose Wendler	8/15
Brett Franklin	8/17
Kathy Goodchild	8/17
*John Paalman	8/17
*Betty Karnes	8/18
Sue Davis	8/19
*Thomas Hurley	8/19
*Mari-Bea Warnken	8/19
Chuck Holley	8/20
*Carter Mikes	8/20

*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!

Jim & Marlene Everson	8/17
Dan & Sally Meeuwsen	8/17
Linda & Lee Burwinkel	8/18
Kay & Thomas Hurley	8/19
Sharon & Tom Messmore	8/19
Daniel & Dianne Westerlund	8/20

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	Jim Folliard	Judy Malone
Cynthia Arnold	Gerry & Lynn Greenblatt	Doris Martin
Charlyn Bonk	The Family of Jean Hahm	Marilyn McKee
Linda Burwinkel	The Hall & Meyer Families	Nancy Miller
Adriana Caruso	Mary Hart	Joan Mountford
Ron Davis	The Huaroto & Hill Families	Ernie Sartorius
Annette & Bill Dietrich	Casey Hunt	Kristin Travis
Marlene Everson	Sandra Johnson	Tony & Yvonne
Jim & Wealtha Flick	Margaret Mackie	Van Rooyen

*We are saddened to announce the death of longtime member, **Jean Hahm**, on August 5, 2022. Jean was very active at VPC serving as an Elder, Moderator of the Stewardship Team, as a member of the choir and as one of the founding members of our Stephen Ministry program. Her memorial will be held on **Saturday, August 20 at 10am**. Please keep her family in your prayers at this tender time.*

FINANCIAL UPDATE - OPERATING FUND 2022

	June	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Operating Income	\$ 93,480	\$690,981	\$736,600
Expenses	\$119,502	\$626,563	\$664,000
Net	(\$ 26,022)	\$ 64,418	\$ 72,600



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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