



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**.

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.

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.



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**November 20, 2022
Christ the King Sunday**

The flowers on the chancel are by Ron & Linda Addaman. "God bless our kids and grandkids!"

And in loving memory of Ray Schumann on his birthday (11/25) by his wife, Carolyn.

The Fellowship Hour is sponsored by Nancy Myers and Lou Bevan in appreciation for all the volunteers in the choir and Jim Cochran for the beautiful music we hear each week.

Worship Participants

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor

Jerry Grandey, 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: Nadine Gaylord & Priscilla Kutler

Ushers: Karen Chappler (Head Usher),

Carol & Price Lindsay, George Morton, Mary Koppelkam, Patti Runkel

Audio/Visual Technician: Victoria Bonavita

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Psalm 46

¹ God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,

³ though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

⁶ The nations are in an uproar; the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice; the earth melts.

⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

⁸ Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.

⁹ He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations; I am exalted in the earth."

¹¹ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Prelude: Two Thanksgiving Preludes on "We Gather Together"

Franklin D. Ashdown (b. 1942) &
Anthony Giamanco (b. 1958)

Announcements

A Moment for Mission

Misión Peniel

* Call to Worship

Bless God, all people of faith and hope.

God has looked on us with great favor.

God is our refuge and strength in times of trouble.

God is our guide and inspiration when things go well.

By the tender mercy of our God, we meet for worship.

God has brought the dawn of a new day for our use.

Praise God for signs and wonders all around us.

Praise God for peace and reconciliation.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn #151: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DIADEMATA

1. Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

2. Crown Him the Lord of love;
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

Continued

3. Crown Him the Lord of peace;
Whose power a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end;
And round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

4. Crown Him the Lord of years
The Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou has died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail
Throughout eternity.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

Many times you have rescued us, O God. Yet we continue to wander away from your vision for us. We claim to be followers of Jesus, but we do not speak up when he is mocked. We do not respond when he summons us from the perilous byways we have chosen. Our words and deeds deny the faith we proclaim. God of all nations, deliver us from misplaced loyalties and unacknowledged sin. Forgive our foolish ways. *(silence)* Amen.

Affirmation of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* Gloria Patri

Henry Greathouse (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.

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 and youth ages PreK-3 through High School may go to Sunday school or families may choose to worship together in the Sanctuary.

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

Colossians 1:11-20

¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Special Music: "Thankful"

David Foster (b. 1949)

David Curtiss, *Baritone*

Somedays we forget to look around us; someday, we can't see the joy that surrounds us. So caught up inside ourselves, we take when we should give. So for tonight, we pray for what we know can be. And on this day we hope for what we still can't see. It's up to us, to be the change, and even though we all can still do more, there's so much to be thankful for. Look beyond ourselves; there's so much sorrow. It's way too late to say, "I'll cry tomorrow." Each of us must find our truth, so long overdue. Even with our differences, there is a place we're all connected; each of us can find each other's light.

The Gospel Reading

Luke 23:33-43

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." ³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." ⁴³ He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: **Sermon Series:** *Face Time with Jesus*

Sermon: "No Way to Treat a King"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Anthem: "Tell the People to Sing!"

Music: Lee Dengler

The Chancel Choir

Text: Susan Naus Dengler

Tell the people to sing a song to the Lord! Let the nations proclaim that God is adored! May the melodies soar; resound evermore, announcing that joy and hope are restored. Go tell the people to sing a song to the Lord! If we do not sing and worship all our days, the stones themselves will cry out loud to offer God their praise. The trees will clap their hands. The deserts bloom in happy songs. The mountains shout on high and praise God all day long! So lift your voices up to the sky in flowing, glad refrains. Come, magnify the Lord our God, And let us all exalt God's name.

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 Book of Common Worship

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 #555: "Now Thank We All Our God"**

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| 1. Now thank we all our God
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom this world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today. | And keep us in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next. |
| 2. O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us; | 3. All praise and thanks to God,
Who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son
And Spirit now be given.
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore,
The God who was, and is,
And shall be evermore. |

* Commission and Blessing

Step out into the light that God will provide.

Receive the strength of Christ's glorious power.

God is our refuge and strength, our help in trouble.

Christ is our Savior, who welcomes us to God's realm.

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: Postlude on "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

Martha Sobaje (b. 1948)

Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.

VPC NEWS

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

November 27: The First Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Gospel Reading: Matthew 24:36-44

Sermon Series: "Advent Songs of Ascent"

Sermon: "Time for Restoration"

You are invited to attend an Inter-Faith Thanksgiving Service.

Monday, November 21 at 6pm at

Naples United Church of Christ, 5200 Crayton Road, Naples, FL 34103



OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTICIPATION



Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church is a group of committed, caring, Christians that seek to love one another, the way Christ loved us. To make our ministry run smoothly, we need YOU! There are opportunities for everyone to serve at VPC.

We are in urgent need of people to be ushers, greeters and Sunday School volunteers. You can also help by being a liturgist, choir member, Stephen Minister, Deacon or Elder. You can volunteer to help one of many missions we support. When we all gather together to help and encourage one another, the world is a better place. Pray about where you might assist in our mission to spread the Good News. You are loved and you are needed!

Call us so we can help you find your place at VPC! **597-5410.**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATION

- **MIDWEEK SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY:** Will resume on **November 30 at 6pm** in the Library.
- **VPC BOOK CLUB** resumes on **Monday, November 21, at 1:30pm** in Harp Hall. "Among the Beautiful Beasts" by Lori McMullin. Contact Peggy Landon at mlandon711@gmail.com.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MUSIC AND WORSHIP

- **WOULD YOU LIKE A TOUR OF THE CHURCH?** Members of the Membership and Involvement Team will be in the sanctuary following the service on **Sunday, November 20** to take anyone on a tour of the church facility. New members, seasonal members....all are welcome!
- **FELLOWSHIP HOUR SPONSORS:** We are in need of sponsors for the Fellowship hour. If you would be willing to pick a date, call Barbara in the office. Thank you! 597-5410.

BE SURE TO PICK UP THE SEPARATE SHEET WITH MORE INFORMATION ON MISSION OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU!

- **CAFÉ OF LIFE:** VPC is hosting a meal on **Friday, November 25 at 9am** at Leitner Park, 26724 Nomad Dr., Bonita Springs 34135. Donations of food & volunteers needed. elizanevin@comcast.net.
- **HEIFER INTERNATIONAL:** VPC's Heifer Fair is on **Sunday, December 4** after worship in Fellowship Hall. It's a great Christmas gift for someone in your life! leslie.loughran@gmail.com.
- **CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE!** This year the toys will go to the **Salvation Army & Misión Peniel**. Please bring a new, unwrapped toy to the office or on Sunday morning. Please bring by **Wednesday, November 30**. December Misión Peniel workday: **12/9/22 at 1pm**. kchappler@aol.com.
- **HURRICANE IAN RELIEF:** VPC is collecting monetary donations for hurricane relief. Send a check or go online and put **Hurricane Ian Relief** in the memo.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FRIENDSHIP AND COMMUNITY

- **STEPHEN MINISTRY:** Stephen Ministers are here to help! Know someone in need? We are available to help! To learn more, see the bulletin board on the way to Fellowship Hall.
- **MAH JONGG:** Contact Geri Payne at 593-5529 or paynegnb@comcast.net.
- **BRIDGE:** Contact Nadine Gaylord at 740-816-1628 or nanjan69@gmail.com.

Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church — Financial Results as of September 30, 2022

	9/30/22 YTD	YTD Budget	Estimated Year End	9/30/21
Income	\$ 870,505	\$1,026,500	\$1,150,000	\$ 964,640
Expenses	\$ 968,481	\$ 982,800	\$1,346,500	\$ 876,201
Net	(\$ 97,976)	\$ 43,700	(\$ 196,500)	\$ 88,439



Happy Birthday!

*Pete Rodino	11/20
Dave Hinkler	11/21
*Fran Lauriat	11/23
Scarlett Hinkler	11/23
*Herb Nelson	11/25

Happy Anniversary!

Herb & Marciadee Newman	11/23
Lou & Mary Thompson	11/24
Max & Pat Gould	11/25
Gerry & Mari-Bea Warnken	11/26

*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!

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 & Wealtha Flick	Marilyn McKee
Chris & Dawn Bertler	Jim Folliard	Joan Mountford
Linda Burwinkel	Mary Hart	Eric Muir
Adriana Caruso	Sandra Johnson	Al Starr
Cristiana	Chester Kauffman	Barbara & Russ Thomas
Ron Davis	Barbara Lang	The Walker Family
Loren Dawley	Jean Lee	
Annette & Bill Dietrich	Judy Malone	
Marlene Everson	Zachary Mazzola	

*We are saddened to announce the death of **Lillian Walker** on November 10, 2022. Lillian was a member of Vanderbilt for over 22 years.*

Please keep her family in your prayers at this difficult time.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His Saints."

Psalm 116



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN SERVING OUR COUNTRY

If you have any additions or corrections to the list below, please email Michele Byrd (mbyrd@vpcnaples.org). Thank you for your continued prayers for these military personnel.

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)
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)
1st LT Jacob Guzman
US Army—South Korea
(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)

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

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.

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Check our weekly email:
"Week at a Glance!"

