



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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January 15, 2023 8:30 & 10:00 am — The Second Sunday After Epiphany

The flowers on the chancel are given in loving memory of Lake, from his wife, Marie Walton, and their sons, Lake III and Keith, and in loving memory of Loren Dawley by Debbie and family.

The fellowship hour is sponsored by Pat Rogge.

Worship Participants

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, *Pastor*
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*
Julie Carver, *Pianist*
Virginia Garner Cullison, *Violinist*
Victoria Bonavita, *Audio/Visual Technician*

8:30 am Service:

Sue Van Fossen, *Liturgist*
Ushers: Steve Schock (Head Usher), Judy Davis,
 Bill Van Fossen

10:00 am Service:

Bill Payne, *Liturgist*
The Chancel Choir
Youth Acolyte, Ayden Carver
Youth Usher, Sydney Carver
Greeters: David & Beth Lee
Ushers: Jerry & Mari-Bea Warnken (Head
 Ushers), Sue & Bill Van Fossen, Joe Trees, Pat
 Rose, Tim Hall, Reggie Smith

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Psalm 40:1-11

¹ I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

² He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

³ He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

Many will see and fear and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴ Happy are those who make the LORD their trust,

who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

⁵ You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you. Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

⁶ Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear.

Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.

⁷ Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.

⁸ I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

⁹ I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation;
see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.

¹⁰ I have not hidden your saving help within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;
I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

¹¹ Do not, O LORD, withhold your mercy from me;

let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.

Prelude: (8:30 am) Epiphany Hymns Traditional
"Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning" & "Open My Eyes that I May See"
(10:00 am) "Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning,"
"Open My Eyes that I May See" & "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"
Virginia Garner Cullison, *Violin*

Announcements

A Moment for Missions

Weekend Power Pack

Call to Worship

Have you understood God's thoughts toward us?

Have you listened to glad news of deliverance?

We are here to receive God's message.

Our hearts are open to the Word we will hear.

Listen, all who are near and all who are far away;

God is calling us as servants and as saints.

Usually we do not think of ourselves in that way.

We resist lowly roles, but we do not aspire to sainthood.

Let us worship God.

*** Hymn #276: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**

FAITHFULNESS

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| <p>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.</p> <p><i>Refrain:</i>
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!</p> | <p>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.</p> <p><i>Refrain</i></p> <p>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!</p> <p><i>Refrain</i></p> |
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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

We come back to you, O Holy One, to renew our commitment. We confess that pride has led us to embrace false gods. We spend more time with our hobbies than with your cause. We pay more attention to our toys than to your truth. Your law is no longer in our hearts. We have neglected the spiritual gifts entrusted to us. We have forgotten that we have been named and baptized and commissioned for service. O God, bring us back to yourself. (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.**

A Moment for Children: (10:00 am)

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

I Corinthians 1:1-9

¹ Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ² To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— ⁶ just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸ He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

John 1:29-42

²⁹ The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" ³⁰ This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' ³¹ I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." ³² And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him." ³³ I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One." ³⁵ The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶ and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" ³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸ When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹ He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). ⁴² He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Sermon Series "Glimpses of Glory"

"Thankful for Today"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Reception of New Members: (10:00 am)

Offering

Traditional

arr. Roy Ringwald

In memoriam: Martin Luther King, Jr.

OLD HUNDREDTH

**3. People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song,
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name.**

*** Commission and Blessing**

God remains steadfast and faithful.

We will be strengthened for all of life's journey.

We put our trust in God for all time and eternity.

We will delight to do God's will.

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: "Prelude in F Major"

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.

VPC NEWS

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

January 22: Third Sunday after Epiphany

First Reading: I Corinthians 1:10-18

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:12-23

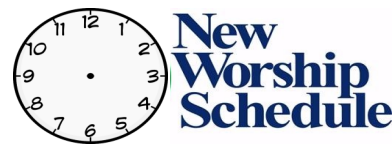
Sermon Series "Glimpses of Glory"

Sermon: "Of the Same Mind"

BEGINNING SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2023

WE WILL OFFER 2 WORSHIP SERVICES

8:30 & 10 AM



OPPORTUNITIES FOR MUSIC AND WORSHIP

- **LUNCH BUNCH!** We are looking for VPC members, friends, family, and potential new members to join us for lunch! Once a month, a host from our church leadership will organize a small group of people to go out for lunch together after the worship service (Dutch treat). Sign up sheets will be in Fellowship Hall on Sundays or you can call the office. Our new members will meet on **Sunday, January 15** with Pastor Rob.
- **A CHURCH TOUR** is available on **Sunday, January 29**. Look for the **blue shirts**! Tours depart from the sanctuary **after the 10am** worship service. Come and explore the facility, you might be surprised at what you learn! Members, visitors, everyone is welcome.
- **NEXT CONCERT:** Returning to Vanderbilt this season is Johann Vexo, Choir Organist at the Cathedral of Notre Dame. He has performed extensively throughout Europe, the United States, Canada, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand and Russia. Mark your calendar! Bring a friend! **Sunday, January 29 at 4pm.**

- **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! **239-597-5410**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FRIENDSHIP AND COMMUNITY

- **VPC BOOK CLUB:** Our next meeting will be **Monday, January 16 at 1:30pm** in Harp Hall. We will be discussing *The Maid* by Nina Prose. Email Peggy at mlandon711@gmail.com with questions.
- **SAVE THE DATE: Friday, January 27 at 6pm — All Church Pot Luck Dinner —** Sign up in Fellowship Hall or call church office during the week: 597-5410. Think about a favorite dish you want to bring to share. Come see old friends and meet new.
- **WHO IS INVOLVED IN STEPHEN MINISTRY?** **Stephen Leaders** are the ones who oversee and direct our Stephen Ministry. They recruit, select, train, organize, and supervise our Stephen Ministers; identify people in need of care; and match them with a Stephen Minister. We currently have three active *Stephen Leaders*: Karen Chappler, Jill Peterson and Jody Nowry.
Stephen Ministers are lay caregivers. They have engaged in high-quality training in Christian care-giving, including topics such as listening, feelings, boundaries, and assertiveness. We currently have eight active *Stephen Ministers*: Joan Butler, Barbara Green, Judy Jacobs, Karen Negri, Eliza Nevin, Geri Payne, Pat Peters and Lee Weeks. **Care receivers** are the recipients of Stephen Ministers' care. They are people from our church or community who are experiencing grief, loss of a job, divorce, loneliness, illness, or other life difficulties. Stephen Ministers meet with their care receivers once a week for about an hour for as long as the care receiver needs it.
- **MAH JONGG:** Contact Geri Payne at 593-5529 or paynegnb@comcast.net.
- **BRIDGE:** Contact Nadine Gaylord at 740-816-1628 or nanjan69@gmail.com.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATION

- **VLC OPEN HOUSE:** The Vanderbilt Learning Center (VLC) is offering an Open House opportunity for members of our congregation on **Thursday, January 19 at 10am until about 11:30am** (depending on questions, discussions, etc.). You are invited to come to this fun, informative event to tour and see our Learning Center operations and staff in action as they teach and serve the energetic and wonderful children who attend. Come see what takes place on the west side of our church building during the week! If you are interested, please email Pete Rodino at pvrodino@aol.com so we can sign you up. The maximum group size is 15.
- **MIDWEEK SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY:** Join us on **Wednesdays at 6pm** in the Library.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU! - CHECK THE FLYERS FOR MORE INFO!

- **Collier Harvest:** The next packing date is **Monday, January 23** at 4451 Mercantile Avenue. From **4:15-5pm** we need volunteers *who are able to do some heavy lifting* to unload all the boxes of food from cars and get them set up on the tables for packing. **5-6pm** we need volunteers who wish for bagging/packing work. To help, email Pete Rodino (pvrodino@aol.com).
- **Café of Life:** The VPC Mission Team is hosting a meal: **Friday, January 27 at 9am**. Leitner Park, 26724 Nomad Dr., Bonita Springs 34135. Donations of food and volunteers to serve are needed. Email Eliza Nevin at elizanevin@comcast.net.
- **Weekend Power Pack** relies on volunteers to pack about 300 bags of food for children living at or below the poverty level. Next VPC packing date is **Thursday, February 2 at 10:30am** in Fellowship Hall. Email Becky Wheat: sportbroad@comcast.net.

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	Annette & Bill Dietrich	Sandra Johnson	Bill Oehler
Leo Barrett	Jackie Duggan	Chester Kauffman	Brian & Monica Rodino
Ron Bartlett	Elizabeth	Barbara Lang	Twila Rowe
Kay Beernink	Marlene Everson	Elizabeth Lepore	Carol Schwiars
Charlyn Bonk	Jim Folliard	Judy Malone	Barbara & Russ Thomas
Adriana Caruso	Jim Gates	Marilyn McKee	Rev. Dr. Louis Thompson
Maureen Croom	The Gorran Family	Joan Mountford	Yvonne & Tony Van Rooyen

Happy Birthday!

Evva Crown	1/15	Alexander Hobbs	1/18
Lena Crown	1/15	Isabelle Rockhold	1/18
*Kristin Day	1/15	Annette Dietrich	1/19
Renee Bertone	1/16	*Carolyn Magarro	1/20
*Helen Bechthold	1/17	Sarah Smith	1/20
John Weiss	1/17	*Jerry Warnken	1/21
Joe Doggett	1/17	Connie Weiss	1/21
Kay Hurley	1/18	Melodie Esposito	1/21

Happy Anniversary!

Bud & Bee Getman	1/18
Steve & Priscilla Kutler	1/19
Michael & Nicole Smith	1/19

*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!

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

(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

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. **239-597-5410**



www.vpcnaples.org/live/



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

Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church

November 30, 2022 YTD

	YTD Actual	December Projections
Income	\$ 1,059,063	\$ 87,500
Expenses	\$ 1,176,504	\$ 115,000
Net	(\$117,441)	