

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.

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

<u>VPC VISION</u>

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.

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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February 5, 2023 8:30 & 10:00 am — The Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

The flowers on the chancel are given in loving memory of Paul Peabody by Judy and in celebration of Sally Muir's birthday by her loving husband, Jim.

The Fellowship Hour is sponsored in loving memory of Paul Peabody by Judy.

Worship Participants

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor

Karen Chappler, *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

Julie Carver, Pianist

David Curtiss, Baritone

Victoria Bonavita, Audio/Visual Technician

8:30 am Service:

Ushers: Sue Van Fossen (Head Usher) Pete DeBaun, Leslie Loughran, Bill Van Fossen **Communion Servers:** Pete DeBaun, Jill

Peterson, Pat Rose

10:00 am Service:

The Chancel Choir

Youth Acolyte: Carter Mikes

Youth Ushers: Devon Grider & Riley Mikes Greeters: Nadine Gaylord & Priscilla Kutler Ushers: Becky Wheat (Head Usher), Greg & Julie Borden, Doug Dunn, Nancy Guthy, Jerry &

Mari-Bea Warnken, Teri Wilding

Communion Servers: Julie & Greg Borden, Joe & Sharon Doggett, Tim Hall, Dick Hilton, Mary Lynn Myers, Pat Peters, Pete Rodino, Jerry Warnken

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Psalm 112:1-9

¹ Praise the LORD! Happy are those who fear the LORD, who greatly delight in his commandments.

² Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

³ Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever.

⁴They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.

⁵ It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice.

⁶ For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever.

⁷ They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD.

⁸ Their hearts are steady; they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

⁹ They have distributed freely; they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor.

Prelude: Variations on "Here O Our Lord, We See Thee Face to Face" Dale Wood (1934-2003)

Announcements

A Moment for Stewardship

Steve & Jackie Woodring

* Call to Worship:

We delight to draw near to you, gracious God.

We rejoice in the many gifts you have given us.

We lift up our hearts and voices in praise.

We humble ourselves before the God of all worlds.

We gather to remember God's commandments.

We seek for ourselves the wisdom God imparts.

The wisdom of God is not like any other.

It draws us away from the world's agenda.

Let us worship God.

* **Hymn #513:** "Let Us Break Bread Together On Our Knees"

LET US BREAK BREAD

1. Let us break bread together on our knees; Let us break bread together on our knees. *Refrain:*

When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

- 2. Let us drink wine together on our knees; Let us drink wine together on our knees; Refrain
- 3. Let us praise God together on our knees; Let us praise God together on our knees; *Refrain*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

O God, you call out to us, saying, "Here I am," but we do not listen. You pour out on us spiritual gifts, but we do not discern them. You call us to build a more just society but we cling to our advantages. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to change. Help us to know and understand Jesus Christ that we might reflect the God of glory in our daily living. Create in us a generosity that reflects your own. Pour out your spirit on this congregation that we might understand and use it to build and repair and restore. (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 my 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 2:1-12

¹ When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴ My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. ⁶ Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. ⁿ But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory ³ and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁵ But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"— ¹0 God has revealed to us through

the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹ For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading Matthew 5:13-20

13 "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot. 14 "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. 15 People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. 17 "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. 18 For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. 19 Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. 20 For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Sermon Series "Glimpses of Glory"

"Always on Duty"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

Offering

Offertory: (8:30 am) "Christ, Thou Art the World's True Light" Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Offertory: (10:00 am) "The Call" Alexander Brent Smith (1889-1950)

The Chancel Choir

Come, my way, my Truth, my Life: such a Way as gives us breath; such a Truth as ends all strife; such a Life as killeth death! Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a Light as shows a Feast, such a Feast as mends in length, such a Strength as makes his guest. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a Joy as none can move; such a love as none can part; such a Heart as joys in love!

*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.

*Offertory Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

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

Music During Communion: "Take My Life and Let it Be"

arr. Mark Hayes (b. 1953)

David Curtiss, *Baritone*

Prayer after Communion

Loving and gracious God, from the east and the west, from the north and the south, you have gathered us at your table, called us your beloved, and fed us from your body. Transform us to be your body in the world, and fortify us by your Spirit, so that we may serve you and our neighbors with great joy. Amen.

* **Hymn** #**509**: "For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

CROSS OF JESUS

- 1. For the bread which You have broken, For the wine which You have poured, For the words which You have spoken, Now we give You thanks, O Lord.
- 2. By this promise that You love us, By Your gift of peace restored, By Your call to heaven above us, Hallow all our lives, O Lord.

Continued

- 3. With the saints who now adore You Seated at the heavenly board, May the Church still waiting for You Keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.
- 4. In Your service, Lord, defend us; In our hearts keep watch and ward; In the world to which You send us Let Your kingdom come, O Lord.

* Commission and Blessing

The wisdom of God empowers us to live wisely. God's generosity prompts us to be generous. We go forth to share what we have learned. We reach out to give as we have received. Alleluia.

Amen.

* The Lord's Prayer

Albert Hay Malotte (1895-1964)

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.

Postlude: "Sent Forth with God's Blessing"

Wood

Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.

VPC NEWS

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK AT 8:30 AND 10:00 AM

February 12: Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

First Reading: I Corinthians 3:1-9 — Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:21-26 Sermon Series "Glimpses of Glory" — Sermon: "Going Above and Beyond"

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MUSIC AND WORSHIP

- **ADVENTURES IN MEMBERSHIP!** Are you interested in joining our church family? Please join us for worship **February 5 at 10am** and stay in the sanctuary with Pastor Rob for a brief Q&A, as we chat about Vanderbilt and what it means to be involved in the ministry of Christ's church.
- **LUNCH BUNCH!** Sign up sheets will be in Fellowship Hall on Sundays or you can call the office. Our new members will meet on **February 12** with Pastor Rob.
- THE NEXT CONCERT will feature Barry Ross, *Violin* and Julie Carver, *Piano* on Sunday, February 19 at 4pm. Plan to come and enjoy a beautiful afternoon of music!

We are saddened to announce the death of **Edward Gates** on January 27, 2023. Edward and his wife, Martha, joined Vanderbilt in November of 2022. Please keep Martha and her family in your prayers at this difficult time. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

To send a card to Martha: 1553 Gulf Coast Drive, Naples, FL 34110

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FRIENDSHIP AND COMMUNITY

- **CHALK THE LOT: Saturday, February 11 from 10am-12pm.** Let's cover the parking lot with meaningful Scripture, colorful art, and inspiring designs! We encourage you to bring canned goods and monetary donations to the event, for the Souper Bowl of Caring (2/12).
- "Just as love for God begins with listening to His word, so the beginning of love for the brethren is learning to listen to them." Philippians 2:5. STEPHEN MINISTERS listen. Your Stephen Ministers at VPC have been trained to listen to those in need. When someone feels broken, sometimes all that is needed is a caring, spiritual caregiver to hear their brokenness. 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.
- MAH JONGG: Contact Geri Payne at 593-5529 or <u>paynegnb@comcast.net</u>.
- **BRIDGE:** Contact Nadine Gaylord at 740-816-1628 or <u>nanjan69@gmail.com</u>.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATION

- MIDWEEK SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY: Join us on Wednesdays at 6pm in the Library.
- VLC OPEN HOUSE: The Vanderbilt Learning Center (VLC) is offering an Open House opportunity for members of our congregation on Thursday, February 16 at 10am. If you are interested, please email Pete Rodino at pvrodino@aol.com so we can sign you up.
- **FRIENDS IN FAITH** will meet on **Wednesday, February 22, at 12:30pm** in Harp Hall. All ladies are welcome to come and discuss "Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments" by Eugenia Anne Gamble.
- **FELLOWSHIP HOUR SPONSORS:** Please sponsor a Fellowship hour! Call us! 239-597-5410

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU! - FLYERS AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX

• **SOUPER BOWL OF CARING**: On Super Bowl Sunday, **February 12**, our youth will be collecting donations of canned and non-perishable foods outside, under the porte-cochere before and after the 10am service. If you worship with us virtually, you can mail checks to the church office or donate online indicating "Souper Bowl" through February 28. All donations benefit Collier Harvest.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE JAMES & CINDY CRAIG EDUCATION SERIES:

Presented by Hunter Farrell — based on his recent book "Freeing Congregational Mission" Two 60 minute sessions - Saturday, February 25, 2023 in Harp Hall

9:30am - Session I — 10:30am - break and refreshments — 11am - Session II
Hunter Farrell will present key takeaways from the latest mission research, inspiring examples from innovative congregations, and introduce a set of step-by-step tools for churches to discern and implement sound practices that will work for them. Flyers are in the Narthex.

• **RECYCLED CARD MINISTRY:** Please stop by the office to pick up your Valentine's Day cards!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please continue to hold in prayer our church family and friends facing illness, injury and hardship. Also, if you have any joys or concerns, let us know. They are lifted up daily through our intercessory prayer ministry. Prayer requests will be kept in the bulletin for **30 days**, after which a new prayer request card should be submitted.

| Abraham, Colburn, Gates Families | Charlyn Bonk | Jim Folliard | Carol Schwiers |
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| Sharon Acx | Adriana Caruso | Sandra Johnson | Ron Sieling |
| Rich Annunziata | Tom Cassese | Elizabeth Lepore | The Smartt Family |
| Leo Barrett | Jackie Duggan | Judy Malone | Rev. Dr. Louis Thompson |
| Ron Bartlett | Elizabeth | Marilyn McKee | Yvonne & Tony Van Rooyen |
| Kay Beernink | Marlene Everson | Bill Oehler | CC Waskey |
| Gordon Black | The Finch Family | Twila Rowe | The Wynn Family |

| Happy Birthda | ay! | | |
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| David Lawrence | 2/5 | Lu Birthday | fa |
| *Sandra Kemp | 2/6 | Happy paraday | |
| *Elsie Fessler | 2/6 | Amanda Schilling | 2/7 |
| Andrew Loughran | 2/6 | Douglas Wilson | 2/8 |
| Nancy Ozard | 2/6 | Jean Suciu | 2/10 |
| *Molly Cochran | 2/6 | Nicholas Barkley | 2/10 |
| *Ron Addaman | 2/6 | *Jim Cochran | 2/11 |
| *P.J. Mahoney | 2/7 | Susanne Pender | 2/11 |

2/7

Sonja Cookson

Happy Anniversary!

| Wayne & Karen Rockenbach | 2/5 |
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| Kevin & Odamis Houston | 2/7 |
| Jack & Rosemary Ufheil | 2/8 |
| Hans & Eleanor Sarina Hoppner | 2/9 |
| Buck & Vicki Evans | 2/11 |

*Birthday Club: Members give one dollar for each year of their life to celebrate their special day. The Education Team may annually request up to 5% from the Club for Youth and Education Ministry!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN SERVING OUR COUNTRY

2/11

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 | CPTN Jennifer Giles | CPTN Devon Hennessey |
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| US Navy, Pensacola, FL | USMC, Philippines | Korea (Toni Hubbard) |
| (Friend of Jay & Mary Chesslo) | (Mary Giles' granddaughter) | Nolan Kelly |
| MSgt Kristopher Chesslo | CPTN Jeremy Giles | US Army - Private First Class |
| USAF (Jay & Mary Chesslo's nephew) | US Army Special Forces, | Fort Sill, OK |
| LT Wyatt R. Dawley | Ft. Bragg, NC (Mary Giles' grandson) | SGT Wesley Kennedy |
| US Navy Intel/SEAL Team | COL Jessica D. Grassetti | USMC - Okinawa, Japan |
| (Debbie Dawley's grandson) | (Claudia Polzin's niece) | |
| MAJ Allen Fujinaka | 1st LT Jacob Guzman | |

US Army—South Korea

(Cesar Guzman's son)

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



US Army (LaVerne Perrollaz's

granddaughter's husband)

Julie Carver



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