



**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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**April 9, 2023 8:00 & 10:00 am — Easter Sunday**

**Join us in Fellowship Hall after the 8 and 10 am services for Fellowship Hour. We have a beautiful Easter reception provided by many members of our church.**

**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**  
**Matthew Sonneborn, Trumpeter**  
**Victoria Bonavita, Audio/Visual Technician**  
**The Chancel Choir**

**8:00 am Service:**

**Liturgist:** Sue Van Fossen  
**Youth Acolyte:** Ayden Carver  
**Greeters:** Joan Butler & Barbara Green  
**Ushers:** Karen Chappler (Head Usher), Joe Trees, Jerry & Mari-Bea Warnken

**10:00 am Service:**

**Liturgist:** Jim Muir  
**Youth Acolyte:** Carter Mikes  
**Youth Ushers:** Devon Grider & Riley Mikes  
**Greeters:** Geri Payne & Karen Hiller  
**Ushers:** Becky Wheat (Head Usher), Greg & Julie Borden, Teri Wilding, Ron & Linda Addaman, Pat & Tim Peters

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

- <sup>1</sup> O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!  
<sup>2</sup> Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."  
<sup>14</sup> The LORD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.  
<sup>15</sup> There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;  
<sup>16</sup> the right hand of the LORD is exalted; the right hand of the LORD does valiantly."  
<sup>17</sup> I shall not die, but I shall live and recount the deeds of the LORD.  
<sup>18</sup> The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.  
<sup>19</sup> Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.  
<sup>20</sup> This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.  
<sup>21</sup> I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.  
<sup>22</sup> The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.  
<sup>23</sup> This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.  
<sup>24</sup> This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Prelude:** "Suite in D Major for Trumpet"

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

Overture, Gigue, Aire, March

Matthew Sonneborn, *Trumpet*

### Announcements

#### \* Call to Worship:

*God has been patient and kind with us.*

*We are precious to God, who loves us.*

**God answers our prayers and offers salvation.**

**The rejected one has become the chief cornerstone.**

*This is the day that God has made.*

*Let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

**We rejoice to know that Christ is alive.**

**God has chosen us to witness to good news.**

*Let us worship God.*

#### \* Hymn #123: "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN

(Easter Fanfare by Stanley Leonard)

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| 1. <b>Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!</b><br><b>Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!</b><br><b>Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!</b><br><b>Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!</b>                 | 3. <b>But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!</b><br><b>Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!</b><br><b>Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!</b><br><b>Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!</b>  |
| 2. <b>Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!</b><br><b>Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!</b><br><b>Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!</b><br><b>Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!</b> | 4. <b>Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!</b><br><b>Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia!</b><br><b>Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!</b><br><b>Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!</b> |

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

**God, we have lost our awe of you in the busyness of our days. We have forgotten to look for Christ in the people we meet. We have ignored your mandate to live as Christ in relation to our neighbors. On this day of resurrection, we ask you to raise us up and restore in us a commitment to our risen Savior. May we die to all that is selfish in order that Christ may live in us. (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

Colossians 3:1-4

*<sup>1</sup> So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.*

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem:** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Michael McCabe (b. 1956)

The Chancel Choir

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all! Crown him, ye martyrs of our God, Who from his altar call; Praise Him whose way of pain ye trod, And crown Him Lord of all! Hail Him the Heir of David's line, Whom David Lord did call, The God incarnate, Man divine, And crown Him Lord of all! Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all! Sinner, whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall, Go spread your trophies at His feet, and crown Him Lord of all! Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all!

**The Gospel Reading**

Matthew 28:1-10

*After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup> His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup> For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup> But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup> He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup> Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." <sup>8</sup> So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup> Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me." <sup>11</sup> While they were going, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests everything that had happened.*

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** "An Unexpected Ending"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

**Offering**

**Offertory:** "Hosanna to the Risen Lord"

Robert C. Lau (b. 1943)

The Chancel Choir

Hosanna to the living Lord! Hosanna to the incarnate Word! The Lord of hosts is with us, we praise His holy name. To Christ, Creator, Savior, King, let earth, let heaven hosanna sing! Hosanna, Lord! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna Lord your angels cry; Hosanna Lord, your saints reply. Come, see the mighty works of God, now praise His holy name. Above, beneath us, and around, both dead and living swell the sound, Hosanna, Lord! Hosanna in the highest! Come now, and look at the works of the Lord, the glorious things He has done on earth. Be still, be still and know that He is God, and have no fear if the earth is moved, Or the mountains fall into the sea. Be still, be still, and know that He is God. So on that last and dreadful day when earth and heaven shall melt away, Take us to your glorious kingdom to live eternally. Your flock, redeemed from sinful stain, Will swell the sound of praise again. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

**\* 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**

**\* Affirmation of Faith**

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 #122: "Thine is the Glory"**

JUDAS MACCABEUS

- 1. Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son;  
Endless is the victory  
Thou o'er death hast won.  
Angels in bright raiment  
Rolled the stone away,  
Kept the folded grave clothes  
Where Thy body lay.**  
  
*Refrain:*  
**Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son;  
Endless is the victory  
Thou o'er death hast won.**
- 2. Lo! Jesus meets us, Risen from the tomb;  
Lovingly He greets us, Scatters fear and  
gloom. Let the church with gladness  
Hymns of triumph sing,  
For the Lord now liveth; Death hath lost its  
sting. *Refrain***
- 3. No more we doubt Thee, Glorious Prince of  
life! Life is naught without Thee; Aid us in  
our strife. Make us more than conquerors  
Through Thy deathless love;  
Bring us safe through Jordan To Thy home  
above. *Refrain***

**\* Commission and Blessing**

*Continue to celebrate this first day of Easter.  
There are many more to come as we grow in Christ.*  
**God anointed Jesus with spirit and power.  
We carry with us new empowerment for living.**  
*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: "Sinfonies De Fanfares"**

Jean Joseph Mouret (1682- 1738)

Matthew Sonneborn, *Trumpet*

*Please remain seated until the end of the postlude.*



**SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK - 10am**

**April 16, 2023: Second Sunday of Easter - Sermon Series: *A Living Hope* - Sermon: *Fullness of Joy*  
First Reading: I Peter 1:3-9 - Gospel: John 20:19-31**

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATION**

- **MIDWEEK SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY:** We will meet on **April 12 at 6pm** in the Library.
- **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** will be held **July 17-21** for age 3 through current fifth graders. Registration is open! Email Heather - [hmikes@vpcnaples.org](mailto:hmikes@vpcnaples.org).
- **VPC BOOK CLUB** meets **April 17 at 11:45am** at Boston Beer Garden for the luncheon.

**MISSION OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU! - FLYERS AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX**

- **WEEKEND POWER PACK** packing date is **Thursday, April 13 at 10:30am** in Fellowship Hall. Email Becky Wheat: [sportbroad@comcast.net](mailto:sportbroad@comcast.net).
- **RELAY FOR LIFE:** Our VPC Children & Youth, together with students and staff of the VLC, support the American Cancer Society at the Relay for Life. Everyone is welcome to join together at the Relay for Life on **Saturday, April 15 from 5-9pm** at Mercato.
- **NEW HORIZONS OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA** has a goal to successfully change the lives of under-resourced students by providing tutoring, mentoring and faith-building programs at its trusted neighborhood clubs. On **Sunday, April 16**, Wendy Webber will give our Moment for Mission during the worship service. She will also bring a choir of children from New Horizons to sing for us!

- **ADVENTURES IN MEMBERSHIP!** Are you interested in joining our church family? Please join us for worship **April 16 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.

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR FRIENDSHIP AND COMMUNITY**

- Would you like to be part of a ministry that gives people care and support when they need it most? Consider becoming a **STEPHEN MINISTER!** Contact Jill Peterson [petersji72@gmail.com](mailto:petersji72@gmail.com).
- **MAH JONGG:** Contact Geri Payne at 249-5327 or [paynegnb@comcast.net](mailto:paynegnb@comcast.net).

*The Easter Lilies adorning the sanctuary are given*

In honor of the *Staff at VPC*  
Anonymous

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Anonymous

In memory of *Jamma & Ellen Alexander*  
by Arnold Alexander

In memory of the *Bevilacqua & Sciascia*  
*Family Members*  
by Debra & Michael Bevilacqua

In honor of *Mary Nancy Myers*  
by Jane Chandler

In memory of *Mason*  
by the Colby Family

In memory of *Christopher Davis*  
by Ron & Judy Davis

In memory of *Loren*  
by the Dawley Family

In memory *Loved Ones*  
by Alyce Demma

In memory of my father, *Russell Geldmacher*  
by Cathy Geldmacher

In memory of *Bill Godley*  
by Molly Godley

Craig, Amber, Devon & Riley Grider

In honor of *Amy Hallin*  
by Tom & Susan Hallin

In memory of *Margaret Shear & Bud Hamilton*  
by Debbie Hamilton

In honor of our *Loved Ones*  
by Jim, Deane & Connie Hawkins

In thanksgiving for my *Vanderbilt Church Family*  
by Karen Hiller

In memory of *Byna Hood, Louise Hood & Lucille Taylor*  
by Ben Hood

In honor of *Pat Rose* and in memory of *Les Jorgensen*  
by Carol Jorgensen

In memory of *Samuel F. Hinkle*  
by his family

In memory of *Jean & Finley Lee*  
by Beth & David Lee

In memory of *Loved Ones*  
by George & Margaret Mackie

In loving memory of *Tom Magarro*  
& *Ruth, Andrew & Randy Burger*  
by Carolyn Magarro

In memory of *Departed Family Members*  
by Robert & Doris Martin

In memory of *Robert & Wilma Lieber*  
by Barbara McElwaine

In memory of *Ann M. West*  
by Nancy Miller

In honor of my loving *Family & Friends*  
by Pocket Patterson

In memory of *Troianello & Peters Family*  
by Joyce & Wayne Peters

In honor of the *Hardworking VPC Staff*  
by Shar & Lynn Rosser

In memory of my husband, *Don Salyer*  
by Gwen Salyer

In memory of *Frank*  
by the Schmitt Family

In memory of *Our Parents*  
by Lance & Margaret Waters

In honor of *Anna, Cameron, Evelyn,*  
*Connor, Ryan & Audrey Wheat*  
by Becky Wheat

In memory of *Judy Malone*  
by Bill & Sue Van Fossen

*Christ is Risen! The Lord is Risen, indeed! Alleluia!*



## 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.

Sharon Acx	Alan Fletcher	Marilyn McKee	Lou & Mary Thompson on the death of Lou's brother, William. CC Waskey Joanne Whitman The Wynn Family
Rich Annunziata	Nadine Gaylord	Moka	
Vinny Bonavita	The Harrison Family	Jeff Moon	
Charlyn Bonk	Susie Hilton	Mark Pratt	
Adriana Caruso	Sonny Hurst	Michael Swain	
Dick Clark	Sandra Johnson	Carol & Pete Schwiers	
Marlene Everson	Chester Kauffman		



### Happy Birthday!

*Jill Peterson	4/9	Gary Christensen	4/13
Fred Minter	4/9	Jim Flick	4/14
Mary Rench	4/10	Colette Vayda	4/14
Claudia Aguilar	4/10	Lois Ann Folliard	4/15
Betsy Witte	4/11		
Dick Hardgrove	4/12		
Wealtha Flick	4/12		
Marian Cattrell	4/12		
Gayle Kaderly	4/12		

**\*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!

### Happy Anniversary!

Margaret & Lance Waters	4/11
Rodger & Penny Jacob	4/12
Stanley & Margaret Leonard	4/13

## 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](mailto:mbyrd@vpcnaples.org)). Thank you for your continued prayers for these military personnel.

<p><b>ENSIGN Francis Alvares</b> US Navy, Pensacola, FL (Friend of Jay &amp; Mary Chesslo)</p> <p><b>MSgt Kristopher Chesslo</b> USAF (Jay &amp; Mary Chesslo's nephew)</p> <p><b>LT Wyatt R. Dawley</b> US Navy Intel/SEAL Team (Debbie Dawley's grandson)</p>	<p><b>MAJ Allen Fujinaka</b> US Army (LaVerne Perrollaz's granddaughter's husband)</p> <p><b>CPTN Jennifer Giles</b> USMC, Philippines (Mary Giles' granddaughter)</p> <p><b>CPTN Jeremy Giles</b> US Army Special Forces, Ft. Bragg, NC (Mary Giles' grandson)</p>	<p><b>COL Jessica D. Grasseti</b> (Claudia Polzin's niece)</p> <p><b>1st LT Jacob Guzman</b> US Army—South Korea (Cesar Guzman's son)</p> <p><b>CPTN Devon Hennessey</b> Korea (Toni Hubbard)</p> <p><b>SGT Wesley Kennedy</b> USMC - Okinawa, Japan</p>
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### 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**



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

### Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church

**February 28, 2023 YTD**

	YTD Actual
Income	\$ 348,849
Expenses	\$ 233,448
Net	\$ 115,401