

Vanderbilt

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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July 14, 2024 — 10:00 am

The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

The flowers on the chancel and the Fellowship Hour are sponsored by Ron and Linda Addaman.

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
Janie Ballurio, Liturgist

Julie Carver, Pianist
The Chancel Choir
Victoria Bonavita, Audio/Visual Technician
Greeters: Joan Butler & Barbara Hebert
Ushers: Karen Chappler (Head Usher), Ron & Linda Addaman, Sonja Cookson, Price & Carol Lindsay

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Psalm 85:8-13

⁸ Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

⁹ Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.

¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

¹¹ Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,
and righteousness will look down from the sky.

¹² The LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

¹³ Righteousness will go before him and will make a path for his steps.

Prelude: Selections from the Notebook for Anna Magdalena Bach

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Announcements

* Call to Worship:

*God has accomplished all things through Christ,
So that we might live as God's own children.*

Let us give thanks to God

And live for the praise of God's glory.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn #288: "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

ELLACOMB

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| <p>1. I sing the mighty power of God
That made the mountains rise;
That spread the flowing seas abroad
And built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained
The sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at God's command,
And all the stars obey.</p> <p>2. I sing the goodness of the Lord
That filled the earth with food;
God formed the creatures with a word
And then pronounced them good.</p> | <p>Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed,
Where'er I turn my eyes;
If I survey the ground I tread,
Or gaze upon the skies!</p> <p>3. There's not a plant or flower below
But makes Thy glories known;
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,
By order from Thy throne;
While all that borrows life from Thee
Is ever in Thy care,
And everywhere that we can be,
Thou, God, art present there.</p> |
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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

Holy God, you call us to be your beloved children and to care for one another, yet we fail to love others and ourselves. Helpless and ashamed, we turn our hearts to you. Forgive us, and then tenderly teach us to stand strong and courageous in the fullness of your love, by the grace and mercy of Christ. *(silence)* Amen.

Affirmation of Forgiveness

This is 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

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

Amos 7:7-15

⁷ This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸ And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will spare them no longer; ⁹ the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." ¹⁰ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹ For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" ¹² And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there, ¹³ but never again prophesy at

Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." ¹⁴ Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet nor a prophet's son, but I am^[b] a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵ and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Mark 6:14-29

¹⁴ King Herod heard of it, for Jesus's name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead, and for this reason these powers are at work in him." ¹⁵ But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶ But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." ¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸ For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹ But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²² When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests, and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." ²³ And he swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." ²⁴ She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." ²⁵ Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶ The king was deeply grieved, yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷ Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸ brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹ When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: "A Different Type of Banquet"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

*** Affirmation of Faith**

from a Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families

of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. Amen.

Offering

Offertory: "Praise Ye The Lord"

J. Jefferson Cleveland (b. 1981)

The Chancel Choir

Words to the anthem are on page 258 of the hymnal.

* 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

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 #379: "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

SOLID ROCK

1. 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.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

2. When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;

In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil. *Refrain*

3. 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. *Refrain*

4. 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. *Refrain*

* Commission and Blessing:

Go forth in joy and peace.

For we are God's beloved.

Alleluia!

Amen!

*** Benediction Response: "Let There Be Peace on Earth"**

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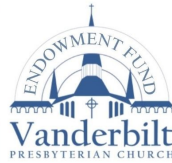
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me. Let there be peace on earth the peace that was meant to be. With God as our Father, children all are we; Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me let this be the moment now. With every step I take let this be my solemn 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 A Minor"

Bach

Please remain seated until the end of the postlude.

**RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE.
ENSURE THE FUTURE OF VPC.
MAKE A PLANNED GIFT.**



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**SCRIPTURE PASSAGES
FOR NEXT WEEK**

July 21, 2024 10:00 am

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: "An Attempt at Rest"

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Gospel Reading: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Questions?

Contact a member of the **Endowment Fund Ministry Team:**
Steve Blad, Julie Borden, *Chair*, Debbie Dawley, Doug Dunn,
Don Fern, Steve Kutler, Jon White & Jackie Woodring.

Bible Study resumes on **Wednesday, July 17 at 6pm.**

Pastor's Bible Study

JOIN US AS WE STUDY THE UPCOMING READINGS FOR WORSHIP.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO REFLECT ON THE WORD OF GOD!



**WEDNESDAY
EVENINGS AT 6PM
IN THE LIBRARY**

PSALM 119:105

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

**LUNCH
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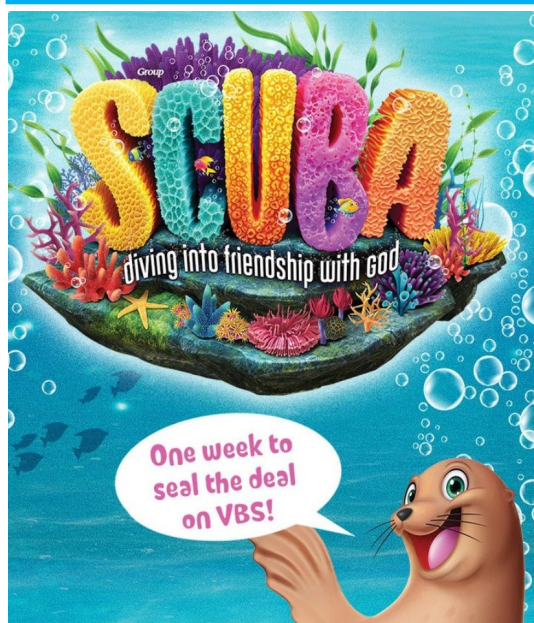
Our next date is:
July 14, 2024

JOIN US



Stephen Ministers are caregivers who model genuineness and encouragement for others, filling needs, not simply wants of care receivers.

Dive in with us! VBS starts in a week! July 22-26! Join us for worship on July 21 when we commission our VBS volunteers.



Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church is seeking support for The Immokalee Fair Housing Alliance by collecting donations to purchase household items for the new apartments.

You can send a check to VPC with IFHA in the memo line or use either of the two registries for purchases:

Angel Link: <https://bit.ly/3VaaVtW>

Walmart: <https://bit.ly/4dMVcbr>

Help us share God's love in the neighborhood.



YOUR HEART BUILDS HOMES

Now and For Generations to Come



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

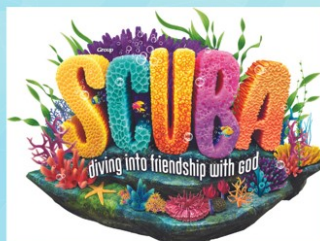
FRIENDS IN FAITH

2024-2025
The last Wednesday of the month - starting in October
10am
Harp Hall

Our book, Sacred Encounters, is available at the church office for \$10.

Join us in our **SUMMER CAMP PRAYER PROJECT** and pray for our middle school girls attending Cedarkirk, July 14-19.

SUMMER CAMP PRAYER PROJECT



VBS Mission Project June 28 - July 28

We are collecting school supplies and backpacks for our mission partners: Grace Place and Misión Peniel.

We hope this year's VBS Mission Project will help alleviate some of the financial stress for families and ensure their children (K-12th grade) have what they need for a successful school year.

Thank you!

- Wide ruled spiral themed notebooks
- Glue Sticks
- #2 Pencils (pre-sharpened)
- Black Pens
- Red Pens
- Rulers
- Pencil Sharpeners
- 24-Pack Crayons
- 8/10 Pack Washable Markers
- Pocket Folders with Prongs
- Zipper Backpacks (no drawstring day packs please)
- Monetary donations can also be made to VPC via check or online. Please note VBS Mission Project in the memo line.
- **Buy an extra of anything your kiddo would love to start the school year!**



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.

PRAYER list

Peg Black	Joe Felipe	Terry Morehouse
Vito Carparelli	Lynn & Gerry Greenblatt	Ivana Novelli
Adriana Caruso	Kate Hafner	Linda Parker
Bill Chandley	Sandra Johnson	Laura Piipponen
Bob & Jan Conrad	Ralph Jones	Father Monty Sayers
Austin Cornell	Chester & Janet Kauffman	Harriet Shouldice
Dick Creviston	Bill Koppelkam	Bruce & Heidi Stryker
Bill & Joyce Dersch	The Family of Walter Lee	Yvonne & Tony Van Rooyen
Asia Elsbree	The Lucarelli Family	Bill Waskey
Joe Feddern	Liz Lynn	Marion Wayenberg
	Doris Martin	Chris Wood & Family
	Dan Meeuwsen	
	Nancy Miller	

*Do not be
anxious over
anything... let
your petitions be
made known to
God.*

- Phillipians 4:6,7



Happy Birthday!

Lio Martinez	7/14	*Geri Payne	7/17
Bob Reardon	7/14	Penny Jacob	7/18
Jane Higdon	7/14	Jean Fletcher	7/18
Evelyn Whittington	7/14	Peg Black	7/18
*Vicki Evans	7/15	Joyce Peters	7/18
Joni Poposki	7/15	*Pat Rogge	7/19
*Ellen Morton	7/16	Sally Meeuwsen	7/20
Jill Trees	7/16	Sue Graves	7/20
Berniece Pak	7/16		

Happy Anniversary!

Dick & Sherry Hardgrove	7/15
George Cheatham & Jean Dugan	7/18
Jim & Wealtha Flick	7/20

***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

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)

COL Jessica D. Grassetti

(Claudia Polzin's niece)

E4 Brian Guzman

USAF - Colorado (Cesar Guzman's son)

SGT Jacob Guzman

US Army-Tennessee (Cesar Guzman's son)

CPTN Devon Hennessey

Korea (Toni Hubbard)

SGT Wesley Kennedy

USMC - Okinawa, Japan

MAJ Rex Rafferty

USAF—Alabama (Norm & Linda
Parker's granddaughter's husband)

LCPL Michael Russell

USMC - Cape Lejeune, NC
(Heather Anderson's son)

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE:

Please let the office know if you are in the hospital. **239-597-5410**