

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.

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.

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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October 20, 2024 — 10:00 am The Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost Family Led Worship

The chancel flowers and Fellowship Hour are sponsored by the Grider Family. "Happy Birthday to Craig and Devon and to all others who share birthdays and anniversaries during this month."

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* **Olivia Carver**, *Youth Liturgist* **Mary Lynn Myers**, *Liturgist*

Julie Carver, Pianist

The Chancel Choir

Victoria Bonavita, Audio/Visual Technician

Youth Acolyte: Wyatt Gersch

Greeters: Ann Grundstrom & Priscilla Kutler Ushers: Becky Wheat (Head Usher), Steve Blad, Greg & Julie Borden, Dick Clark, Gwen Salyer Youth Ushers: Ayden Carver & Devon Grider

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Psalm 104:1-9; 24, 35

¹ Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, you are very great. You are clothed with honor and majesty, ² wrapped in light as with a garment. You stretch out the heavens like a tent; ³ you set the beams of your chambers on the waters; you make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind;

⁴ you make the winds your messengers, fire and flame your ministers.

⁵ You set the earth on its foundations, so that it shall never be shaken.

⁶ You cover it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.

⁷ At your rebuke they flee; at the sound of your thunder they take to flight.

⁸ They rose up to the mountains, ran down to the valleys, to the place that you appointed for them.

⁹ You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth.

²⁴ O LORD, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

35 Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!

Prelude: "Awake, Awake to Love and Work"

Wilbur Held (1914-2015)

Announcements

* Call to Worship:

Praise the Lord, for God is great indeed!

Let us sing praises for God's glorious works.

We give glory, honor, and thanksgiving to the Lord.

Who makes and sustains all things.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn #476: "O Worship the King"

LYONS

- 1. O worship the King, all glorious above!
 O gratefully sing
 God's power and God's love;
 Our shield and defender,
 the Ancient of Days,
 Pavilioned in splendor
 and girded with praise.
- 2. O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace,
 Whose robe is the light,
 whose canopy space,
 The chariots of heaven
 the deep thunderclouds form,
 And bright is God's path
 on the wings of the storm.
- 3. The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, Thy power hath founded of old; Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree, And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.
- 4. Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
 It breathes in the air,
 it shines in the light;
 It streams from the hills,
 it descends to the plain,
 And sweetly distills
 in the dew and the rain.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

Merciful and gentle God, we have wanted reward without sacrifice. We have been unwilling to serve and have not humbled ourselves in obedience. Forgive our hubris, gracious God. Correct our ignorant ways and help us to know your glory through servanthood. Guide us to be true followers of your way, through Jesus Christ our Lord. (silence) Amen.

Affirmation of Forgiveness

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

* 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

Job 38:1-7

¹ Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: ² "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? ³ Gird up your loins like a man; I will question you, and you shall declare to me. ⁴ "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵ Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶ On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone ⁷ when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings ^[a] shouted for joy?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Handbell Anthem: "Our Hope is Built on Nothing Less" William Bradbury, arr. Jason Krug
The Campanile Ringers – Gordon Black, Director

The Gospel Reading Mark 10:35-45

³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶ And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Appoint us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸ But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" ³⁹ They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized you will be baptized, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to appoint, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." ⁴¹ When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴² So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³ But it is not so among you; instead, whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: "A True Servant" The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

* The Affirmation of Faith

Book of Common Worship; Philippians 2:5-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

Offering

Offertory: "Guide My Feet" Harmonized by Wendell Whalum (1952 – 1987)

Text can be found on page 354 of The Hymnal.

The Chancel Choir

* 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 #372 "Lord, I Want to be a Christian"

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

- Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart.
 In-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart.
- 2. Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart, In-a my heart, Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart.

- 3. Lord, I want to be more holy in-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be more holy in-a my heart.
 In-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be more holy in-a my heart.
- 4. Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart.
 In-a my heart, in-a my heart, Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart

* Commission and Blessing:

The Son of Man came to serve, not to be served.

Let us follow Christ's example, and give our all to God and one another.

Alleluia!

Amen!

* Benediction Response: "Let There Be Peace on Earth" (Copyright 1955 by Jan-Lee Music. Renewed 1983. Used by permission.)

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: "Toccata in G" Johann Krieger (1651-1735)

Please remain seated until the end of the postlude.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

October 27, 2024 — 10:00 am The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon: "A Gift from God" **First Reading:** Job 42:10-17 **Gospel Reading:** Mark 10:46-52

CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR THE 2024-2025 VPC CONCERT SERIES!

The brochure was emailed on October 16th.

Mark your calendars and send in your support for our incredible concert series at VPC!



Thanks, Dr. Jim.



THIS WEDNESDAY! OCTOBER 23

Reserve your spot by 10/20 hmikes@vpcnaples.org

- Arrive between 4:30-5:30pm to park and decorate your trunk.
- Join us for dinner at the chili cook-off at 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall.
- Be ready to hand out candy by 6:30pm.
- Vehicles must remain parked until the event is over at 7:30pm.
- Family event: Non-scary costumes and decorations only.

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

- CASH
- STOCK/GIFTS OF SECURITIES
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- LIFE INSURANCE
- RETIREMENT ASSETS
- IRA CHARITABLE TRUST ROLLOVER
- CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY
- CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST
- CHARITABLE LEAD TRUST

Contact a member of the

Endowment Fund Ministry Team:

Steve Blad, Julie Borden, *Chair*,
Debbie Dawley, Doug Dunn,
Don Fern, Steve Kutler,
Carolyn Magarro,
Charles Whittington &
Jackie Woodring.



JOIN IN OUR COMMUNITY AND MEET US UNDER THE SPIRE!

We have many opportunities for you to participate in the life and ministry of Vanderbilt.

Missions, Bible Study, Lunches, Worship, Education, and more. Check out the list below to see where you fit in and Join Us Under the Spire!

- **COINS FOR A CAUSE:** Donate to help communities in crisis. Look for collection containers in our VLC & Sunday School classrooms or the Children's Ministry Table in the Narthex. Benefitting Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.
- **VANDERBILT LADIES WHO LUNCH:** All single ladies are welcome the second Monday of each month. Please email Barbara Hebert for more information barbillsr@aol.com.
- CAFÉ OF LIFE: Join us as we gather to serve a meal to those in need. Donations of food and volunteers are needed. Leitner Park, 26724 Nomad Dr., Bonita Springs, FL 34135. Email Eliza Nevin elizanevin@comcast.net. Next date: 10/25 at 9am
- MEDICARE BASICS EVENT: SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) will be at VPC for "One-on-One Medicare counseling event" on 10/25 between 9:30am 2:30pm in Fellowship Hall. It is free and confidential and meant to help answer questions.
- COLLIER HARVEST PACKING EVENT: Join us to pack bags of healthy and nutritious food for our hungry neighbors across Collier County. Email Pete Rodino to volunteer pvrodino@aol.com.
 4451 Mercantile Ave. 10/28 at 4:15pm
- **FRIENDS IN FAITH:** VPC's women's Bible study "sisterhood". We meet on the last Wednesday of each month, October through May, from 10am -11:30am, in Harp Hall to study a topic for spiritual growth. This year, the book will be *Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts* by Olive Mohabir. It is available for purchase in the church office for \$10. For more information, contact Lois Ann Folliard, lafolliard@gmail.com. Our first meeting is 10/30.
- PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY: We will take a short break and return to our regular meetings on Wednesday, November 13 at 6pm in the Library.
- **PLEASE!** Sponsor chancel flowers or fellowship hours! Call the office 597-5410.

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. **Stephen Ministers** are lay caregivers. They have engaged in high-quality training in Christian caregiving, including topics such as listening, feelings, boundaries, and assertiveness.

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.



Sigrid "Siggi" Beth Lee Deneke & Family

Olga Lvova **Doris Martin** Erik Strandwitz

Jocelyn Stein

Michael Averginos

Jean Dugan Ioe Feddern

Bill & Joyce Dersch

Terry Morehouse

Bruce & Heidi Stryker Yvonne & Tony Van Rooyen

John Baird

Alexis Bevan

Joe Felipe

Ioan Mountford

Carol Ward

Raphael Bundage

Lynn & Gerry Greenblatt

Donna Mullin Bill & CC Waskey Ivana Novelli Marion Wayenberg

Lee Burwinkle

Joan Butler

George Guthy Kate Hafner

Laura Piipponen Karen Rodino

Lori West Chris Wood & Family

Adriana Caruso

Elaine Hinkle

Eddie Roche

The Woodring Family

Bob & Jan Conrad

Iill Holstine Barbara Hurst **Father Monty Sayers** Marilyn & Sam Schellar

Those affected by the

Stephanie Copley **Dick Creviston**

Sonja Cookson

Sandra Johnson Cynthia Lacher

Harriet Shouldice Alexandra Smith

recent hurricanes.

Happy Birthday!

Iohn McMaster 10/23 10/24 Dale Dillingham 10/25 Leslie Loughran *Devon Grider 10/25 10/25 **Chuck Henry** Ashley Lowe 10/26 Merle James Wylie 10/26 Jeremy Barber 10/26 Jason Heimberger 10/26

* Birthday Club Members

give one dollar for each year of their life and

** Anniversary Club Members give two dollars for each year of their marriage to celebrate or commemorate these special events. The Education Team may annually request up to 5% from the Club for Youth and

Education Ministry!

Happy Anniversary!

Rob & Beth Marrow	10/21
Herb Nelson & Peggy Paulsen	10/23
Naseem Yousaf & Farhat Naseem	10/23
Peter DeBaun & Jill Peterson	10/24
Bill & Chloe Cornell	10/24
Chuck & Barbara Henry	10/24



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)

PVT E2 Joshua Fowler,

US Army, Columbus, GA (Joe & Sharon Doggett'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