



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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November 3, 2024 — 10:00 am

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost — All Saints' Sunday

The flowers adorning the chancel are donated in loving memory of Ellen Alexander by her family and in loving memory of my father, Leon Cerankowski, by Jackie Woodring and family.

The Fellowship Hour is sponsored in memory of Robert Wolfe by Don & Lyla Schulte and family.

Worship Participants

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, *Pastor*
The Rev. Dr. Jim Berger, *Guest Preacher*
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

David Curtiss, *Audio/Visual Technician*
Greeters: Dick Clark & CC Waskey
Ushers: Joe Trees (Head Usher), David & Susan Aufderhaar, Barbara Hebert, Carolyn Magarro, George Morton
Communion Servers: Karen Chappler, Sharon Doggett, Jill Dunn, Max Gould, Tom Hauschild, Price & Carol Lindsay, Jack & Ellen Tanner, Becky Wheat, Steve Woodring

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Psalm 119:1-8

- ¹ Happy are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the LORD.
- ² Happy are those who keep his decrees,
who seek him with their whole heart,
- ³ who also do no wrong but walk in his ways.
- ⁴ You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.
- ⁵ O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!
- ⁶ Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.
- ⁷ I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your righteous ordinances.
- ⁸ I will observe your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.

Prelude: Prelude on "For All the Saints"

Wilbur Held (1914-2015)

Announcements

Moment for Stewardship and Endowment

Julie Borden

* Call to Worship:

*Happy are they whose way is blameless,
Who follow the teaching of the Lord.
Let us worship God.*

* Hymn #526: "For All the Saints"

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| <p>1. For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith
before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!</p> <p>2. Thou wast their rock,
their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain
in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear,
their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!</p> | <p>3. O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!</p> <p>4. From earth's wide bounds,
From ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams
in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia! Alleluia!</p> |
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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

Holy, God, giver of all good things, we have failed to live in thanksgiving for Earth, for our families, for neighbors, and for strangers, for the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the soil that grows our food. Forgive us for sins against you, your creation, and our neighbors, through disobedience to your will in word and deed. Teach us to love the way of blamelessness and to be happy in your steadfast love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. (silence) Amen.

Affirmation of Forgiveness

For the sake of Jesus Christ who died and rose for us, God forgives you all your sin. Through the power of the Holy Trinity alive in our midst, God's mercy turns you toward what is good and just so that you may love God and love your neighbor.

Amen.

*** 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

Mark 12:28-34

²⁸ One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" ²⁹ Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰ you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' ³¹ The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." ³² Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; ³³ and 'to love him with all the heart and with all the understanding and with all the

strength' and 'to love one's neighbor as oneself'—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.”³⁴ When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” After that no one dared to ask him any question.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

¹ Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God; ⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.” ⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ⁶ Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: “Finding Tomorrow”

The Rev. Dr. Jim Berger

*** 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.

Offering

Offertory: “Be Present at Our Table, Lord”

Arlen Clarke (b. 1954)

The Chancel Choir

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy upon us. Be present at our table, Lord; be here and everywhere adored. Thy creatures bless, and grant that we may feast in paradise with thee. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace. Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

*** 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

Remembrance of the Saints

*Number us among your saints, O God, and join us with the faithful of every age,
especially the saints whose lives we remember and celebrate this day:*

Kathe Hall	11/1/23	Mary Wollaston	2/25/24	Walter Lee	6/30/24
Mary Jane Williams	12/10/23	Dot Williams	3/26/24	Bill Chandley	7/22/24
Bunny Heitmann	1/2/24	Nadine Gaylord	4/12/24	Dan Meeuwsen	7/29/24
Marlene Everson	2/10/24	Donna Riley	4/19/24	Elizabeth Van Mater	8/17/24
Jackson Bell	2/13/24	Elsie Fessler	4/20/24	Woody Schneider	9/25/24
Marjorie Renth	2/20/24	Bud Getman	4/21/24	Gloria Hagopian	10/3/24
Marilyn McKee	2/25/24	June Peterson	4/28/24		

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. - Psalm 116:15

Invitation to the Lord's Table

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: Improvisation

Julie Carver

Prayer after Communion

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* Hymn #451: "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

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1. **Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
Raise the glad strain, Alleluia!
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,
Refrain:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**
2. **O higher than the cherubim,
More glorious than the seraphim,
Lead their praises, Alleluia!
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord,
*Refrain***
3. **Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song,
*Refrain***
4. **O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
*Refrain***

* **Benediction and Blessing**

The Rev. Dr. Jim Berger

* **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: "Prelude in C Major"

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Please remain seated until the end of the postlude.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

November 10, 2024 — 10:00 am

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Guest Preacher, Tom Grundstrom — Sermon: "All In"

First Reading: Psalm 127:1-5 — Second Reading: Mark 12:38-44

THANK YOU REV. DR. JAMES BERGER — GUEST PREACHER FOR TODAY

The Rev. Dr. James Berger is an Honorably Retired member of Peace River Presbytery. Originally from Cherry Hill, NJ, he attended Westminster College, Fuller Theological Seminary and San Francisco Theological Seminary. During his 49 years in the ministry, he served in extremely diverse settings: Associate Pastor of the Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, in Petersburg, Alaska as a mission pastor, and for the Church of Scotland serving St. Andrew's Presbyterian Kirk in Nassau, The Bahamas. Locally, he has served at First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs, Hope United Presbyterian Church, First Presbyterian Church of Lehigh Acres, Chapel By The Sea on Fort Myers Beach, Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church and Faith Presbyterian Church in Cape Coral.

November 10, 2024 at 4 p.m.

John Cummins, Organist

Dr. Cummins will play works of Widor, Couperin, Bach, Locklair, Sandresky, and Vierre, including the thrilling *Carillon de Westminster*.



Pick up a brochure for a full list of concerts. Copies are available in the Office or the Narthex.

God's gift to me.....my gift to God
2025 Annual Stewardship



Thank you for your prayerful consideration.



VPC Kids and Families

Sunday School Offering



JOIN IN OUR COMMUNITY

AND MEET US UNDER THE SPIRE!

- **CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS! November 3** Daylight Savings Time ENDS!
- **CHURCH TOUR:** Join us after the service on **November 3** for a tour of the church!
- **COINS FOR A CAUSE:** Look for collection containers in our VLC & Sunday School classrooms or the Children's Ministry Table in the Narthex for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.
- **WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIGHTS: November 6**
5-5:30pm: Alleluia Choir (Cochran Hall)
5:30-7pm: WNL (Fellowship Hall)
- **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.
- **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.
- **MEEUWSEN MEMORIAL SERVICE:** Daniel Meeuwsen's celebration of life will be held on Saturday, **November 16 at 10:30am** with a reception in Fellowship Hall afterwards.
- **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!** Each year we decorate the church for Christmas and we need YOU! Can you spare some time on **November 21 or 22 anytime between 10am-3pm**? Mark your calendar for the Hanging of the Greens on Sunday, **November 24** after worship! Call the office and let us know! 597-5410.
- **STEWARDSHIP CELEBRATION OF THANKS:** Plan to attend the brunch on **November 24** after worship!
- **GIVING ENVELOPES:** Please let us know if you would like weekly giving envelopes. Please call Barbara or sign up in Fellowship Hall.
- **PLEASE!** Sponsor chancel flowers or fellowship hours! Call the office - 597-5410.
- **HOME COMMUNION:** Call the office if you would like to receive communion at home.

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.



Dick Creviston	Jill Holstine	Harriet Shouldice
Sigrid "Siggi"	Sandra Johnson	Jocelyn Stein
Deneke & Family	Beth Lee	Bruce & Heidi Stryker
Jean Dugan	Olga Lvova	Jodi Reckmeyer
Michael Averginos	Doris Martin	Yvonne & Tony Van Rooyen
John Baird	Joan Mountford	Marion Wayenberg
Alexis Bevan	Ivana Novelli	Lori West
Lew Bevan	Laura Piipponen	Chris Wood & Family
Joan Butler	Karen Rodino	The Woodring Family
Adriana Caruso	Father Monty Sayers	
Bob & Jan Conrad	Marilyn & Sam Schellar	

Happy Birthday!

Jim Folliard	11/3
Harriet Shouldice	11/3
*George Morton	11/7
*Linda Firestone	11/8
Linda Teti	11/8
Myrna Carew	11/9



* 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!

James Hofert &
Margaret Horstman
11/7

The **Stephen Ministry** logo signifies that we are all broken people and it is only through the cross of Jesus that we can be made whole. Stephen Ministers are trained to help those who desire to be whole.



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)	MAJ Allen Fujinaka US Army (LaVerne Perrollaz's granddaughter's husband)	SGT Wesley Kennedy USMC - Okinawa, Japan
MSgt Kristopher Chesslo USAF (Jay & Mary Chesslo's nephew)	COL Jessica D. Grassetti (Claudia Polzin's niece)	MAJ Rex Rafferty USAF—Alabama (Norm & Linda Parker's granddaughter's husband)
LT Wyatt R. Dawley US Navy Intel/SEAL Team (Debbie Dawley's grandson)	E4 Brian Guzman USAF - Colorado (Cesar Guzman's son)	LCPL Michael Russell USMC - Cape Lejeune, NC (Heather Anderson's son)
PVT E2 Joshua Fowler , US Army, Columbus, GA (Joe & Sharon Doggett's grandson)	SGT Jacob Guzman US Army-Tennessee (Cesar Guzman's son)	
	CPTN Devon Hennessey Korea (Toni Hubbard)	

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE:

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