

# 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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**February 9, 2025 — 10:00 am**

**The Fifth Sunday After Epiphany**

The flowers on the chancel are sponsored  
in loving memory of Megan Malecek Neubert.

The Fellowship Hour is sponsored  
in loving memory of Carol Schwiers by Pete.

**Worship Participants**

**The Rev. Robert J. Marrow, Pastor**  
**The Rev. Su Kim, 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**  
**Jason Mikes, Children's Moment**

**Janie Ballurio, Liturgist**  
**Julie Carver, Pianist**  
**The Chancel Choir**  
**Victoria Bonavita, Audio/Visual Technician**  
**Greeters:** Bob & Dianne Townsend  
**Ushers:** Greg & Julie Borden (Head Ushers),  
Doug Dunn, Jane Repp, Lynn Thomas, Becky  
Wheat

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Psalm 138

- <sup>1</sup> I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;  
<sup>2</sup> I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.  
<sup>3</sup> On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.  
<sup>4</sup> All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O LORD, for they have heard the words of your mouth.  
<sup>5</sup> They shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD.  
<sup>6</sup> For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he perceives from far away.  
<sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.  
<sup>8</sup> The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.  
Do not forsake the work of your hands.

**Prelude:** "Aria in F Major"

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

### Announcements

### Moment for Mission

*Weekend Power Pack* - Jan Fern

### The Call to Worship

*In the sanctuary, God, the Holy One, whose glory fills the whole earth, calls us.*

**Beside the sea, along ordinary paths, in our daily work, God calls us.**

*We respond with our whole heart, singing God's praise and giving thanks.*

**In steadfast love, God fulfills the divine purposes for our lives.**

*Let us worship God.*

\* **Hymn #138:** "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"

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| <p><b>1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!</b><br/>Early in the morning our song shall rise to<br/>Thee;<br/>Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!<br/>God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!</p> <p><b>2. Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,</b><br/>Casting down their golden crowns around the<br/>glassy sea;<br/>Cherubim and seraphim falling down before<br/>Thee,<br/>Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.</p> | <p><b>3. Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide</b><br/>Thee,<br/>Though the eye of sinfulness Thy glory may<br/>not see,<br/>Only Thou art holy; there is none beside<br/>Thee<br/>Perfect in power, in love, and purity.</p> <p><b>4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!</b><br/>All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in<br/>earth, and sky, and sea;<br/>Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!<br/>God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!</p> |
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## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

**God of the universe and Creator of all that is, we admit that we fail to be honest about our lives and in the politics of life. Sometimes we are deceitful; other times we judge ourselves harshly and feel unworthy of your call on our lives. Touch us with your grace and dispel our fear, that we may arise with renewed spirits to serve you, our true Sovereign. (silence - 20)**  
**Amen.**

### Affirmation of Forgiveness

*The promise is this:*

*God is faithful and steadfast, eager to forgive our sin and welcome us home.*

**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

Jason 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

Isaiah 6:1-8

*<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty, and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said, "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." <sup>4</sup>The*

*pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> And I said, "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" <sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup> The seraph touched my mouth with it and said, "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." <sup>8</sup> Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"*

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

### **The Gospel Reading**

Luke 5:1-11

*<sup>1</sup> Once while Jesus was standing beside the Lake of Gennesaret and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup> he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gotten out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.*

*<sup>4</sup> When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup> Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup> When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to burst. <sup>7</sup> So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup> But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus's knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup> For he and all who were with him were astounded at the catch of fish that they had taken, <sup>10</sup> and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." <sup>11</sup> When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.*

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** "(Un)Worthy"

The Rev. Su Kim

**\*Affirmation of Faith:**

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.15

**God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men and women. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of God's love. Amen.**

**Offering**

**Offertory: "A Promise for Strength"**

David Schowebel (b. 1957)

*This choral anthem was given in honor of Fred Schulz by Julie Carver.*

The Chancel Choir

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.

They that wait upon the Lord shall mount up with wings as eagles.

They shall run and not be weary. They shall walk and not faint.

They that wait shall be renewed.

**\* 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 #525: "Here I am, Lord"**

HERE I AM, LORD

**1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry,  
All who dwell in dark and sin,  
My hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright,  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?**

**Refrain:**

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night,  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me,  
I will hold your people in my heart.**

**2. I, the Lord of snow and  
rain, I have borne my  
people's pain,  
I have wept for love of  
them, They turn away.  
I will break their hearts  
of stone,  
Give them hearts for  
love alone,  
I will speak my word to  
them,  
Whom shall I send?  
*Refrain***

**3. I, the Lord of wind  
and flame, I will tend  
the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for  
them, My hand will  
save.  
Finest bread I will  
provide, 'Til their  
hearts be satisfied,  
I will give my life to  
them.  
Whom shall I send?  
*Refrain***

**\* Commission and Blessing:**

*Do not be afraid! Go and be fishers of people.*

*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: "Sent Forth With God's Blessing"**

Dale Wood (1934-2003)

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

**February 16, 2025 — 4 p.m.**

**The 239 Collective**

*featuring* Lexi DeLaRosa, vocalist  
Christian Snedeker, Music Director & Drums,  
Fortunato Occhino, Tenor Sax,  
Andrew Tannus, Bass, Daniel Tenbush, Piano

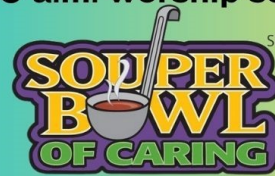


The group features a mixed roster of musicians with a wide array of experiences playing music of all styles, including swing, bop, Latin, and R&B. Highlights of the concert include: *Afro Blue* by Santamaria, *Yes and No* by Wayne Shorter, and *Bolivia* by Cedar Walton.

**SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK**

February 16, 2025 — 10:00 am  
**The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**  
**Sermon:** "Rejoice and Leap for Joy"  
**First Reading:** Jeremiah 17:5-10  
**Gospel Reading:** Luke 6:17-26

**DON'T PASS YOUR CHANCE TO TACKLE HUNGER WITH US!**  
**On Super Bowl Sunday, February 9, 2025,** our children and youth will be collecting donations of food and money, under the porte-cochere before and after the 10:00 a.m. worship service.



TACKLE HUNGER

**Please support our children & youth in this worthy event!**  
**Benefitting Grace Place Food Pantry**



**Have you signed up for Lunch Bunch yet? Join us! Our next lunch is on Sunday February 9th!**

**After Fellowship Hour, small groups will meet for lunch at a restaurant around noon.**



**STEPHEN MINISTRY**

As Christians, we are called to servanthood. Servanthood is a key factor in the Stephen Ministry mission. Servanthood indicates willingness, choice and voluntary commitment.

*"The Christian individual is a completely free lord of all, subject to none. The Christian individual is a completely dutiful servant of all, subject to all."* - Martin Luther



# Mark your calendar!

## THE REV. DR. ASA J. LEE, GUEST PREACHER

Join us for worship on  
**Sunday, February 23, 2025**  
at **10:00 am**

as we welcome guest preacher,  
**The Rev. Dr. Asa J. Lee,**  
President and Professor of  
Theological Formation for  
Ministry at Pittsburgh  
Theological Seminary



**FIND YOUR PLACE**  
**"UNDER THE SPIRE!"**



## EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

- **BOOK OF JAMES: Sundays at 11:30am** (Harp Hall) or **Mondays at 6:30pm** (Library)
- **CHAPTERS 2 & 3 OF REVELATION: Tuesdays 11:30am** (Harp Hall)
- **"IT'S ALL ABOUT ME": Mondays 11am** (Harp Hall)
- **PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY: Wednesdays at 6pm** (Harp Hall) with Pastor Rob

## MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

- **WEEKEND POWER PACK: Sunday, February 16**, following the 10am worship service in Harp Hall. We need financial donations in advance to purchase food.
- **COLLIER HARVEST: Monday, February 24 at 4pm.** Email Pete Rodino [pvrodino@aol.com](mailto:pvrodino@aol.com) for information.
- **PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (PDA)** urges your support in response to the devastating fires in California. **To Donate: via the website [vpcnaples.org/worship/give/](http://vpcnaples.org/worship/give/)** or by check to Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church **note: California Fires.**

The James and Cindy Craig Education Series presents

## "Family Ties and the Amazing Race: An Alternative Model of Belonging"

Presented by: Dr. Rafael Rodriguez

Saturday, February 22, 2025  
from 9:30am-12pm  
Harp Hall at Vanderbilt Presbyterian

Call 597-5410  
to register

Dr. Rodriguez is Professor of New Testament at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. This two-part presentation examines Paul's interethnic relationship with the Thessalonians. We will examine the challenges and opportunities of finding commonality across racial and ethnic difference as well as respecting difference even as we seek the unity of the Body of Christ.



The event is free and  
open to the public!



Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church is a mission-minded congregation with opportunities for everyone to participate.

On Sunday, February 9, 2025, we will have a Moment for Mission to highlight Weekend Power Pack. Jan Fern will share her insight regarding this worthy organization. Join us!

## VPC Book Club!

Our next meeting is Monday,  
February 17, 2025  
at 1:30pm at the church.  
We will be discussing  
*The Hazelborne Ladies  
Motorcycle and Flying Club*  
by Helen Simonson.



## 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.

Betty Angulo & Aguilar Family	Dick Creviston	Elaine Hinkle	Ron Sieling
Susan Aufderhaar	Teresa DeBaun	Tom Hurley	Matthew Skrip
John Baird	Jordan Dieken	Sandra Johnson	Jocelyn Stein
Johnny Beckman	The Elsbree Family	Doris Martin	Erik Strandwitz
Alexis Bevan	Alice Fasbender	Joan Mountford	Bruce & Heidi Stryker
Alexia Brown	Francisco Gomez & Family	Ivana Novelli	Yana and family in Ukraine
Adriana Caruso	Pat Gould	Vito Petruzzella	Yvonne & Tony Van Rooyen
Pat Colby	Fran Gray	Laura Piipponen	The Wendler Family
Bob & Jan Conrad	Lynn & Gerry Greenblatt	Jackie Procyk	Jay Wilson
Sonja Cookson	Kate Hafner	Father Monty Sayers	Chris Wood & Family
		Ron Shaffer	

### Happy Birthday!

Jean Suci	2/10
Nicholas Barkley	2/10
*Jim Cochran	2/11
Susanne Pender	2/11
*Sonja Cookson	2/11
William Raymond	2/11
Kit Chamberlain	2/14
Jody Nowry	2/14
*Marciadee Newman	2/15



## FEBRUARY

### Happy Anniversary!

Hans & Eleanor Sarina Hoppner	2/9
Buck & Vicki Evans	2/11

\* **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!

### 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.

**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  
 (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 - Ft. Myers, FL

**1st LT Tyler Olbrich**  
 US Army - Iraq  
 (friend of Karen Hiller)  
**MAJ Rex Rafferty**  
 USAF—Alabama  
 (Norm & Linda Parker's granddaughter's husband)  
**LCPL Michael Russell**  
 USMC - Camp Lejeune, NC  
 (Heather Anderson's son)

#### NOTES FROM THE OFFICE:

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

