



# 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.



1225 Piper Blvd., Naples, Florida 34110 — [www.vpcnaples.org](http://www.vpcnaples.org)  
Office: 239-597-5410 — Learning Center: 239-594-9557  
*The church is a member of the Peace River Presbytery, the Synod of South Atlantic, and the Presbyterian Church (USA) — OneLicense.net # A-719387*



## April 20, 2025 Easter Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 am

Join us in Fellowship Hall after the 8 am 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**  
**Jerry Grandey (8am) and Susie Hilton (10am), Liturgists**  
**Gordon Black, Pianist**  
**Matthew Sonneborn, Trumpeter**

**The Chancel Choir**  
**The Carillon Ringers, Gordon Black, Director**  
**Victoria Bonavita, Audio/Visual Technician**  
**Greeters:** (8am) Joan Butler & Dick Hilton  
 (10am) Barbara Hebert & Priscilla Kutler  
**Ushers:** (8am) Joe Trees (Head Usher), Ben Hood, Pete Rodino  
 (10am) Karen Chappler & Becky Wheat (Head Ushers), Steve Blad, Henry Gaylord, Price & Carol Lindsay, Anne Smith, Lynn Thomas

## 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:** "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

arr. Michael Mazzatenta

"Trumpet Tune and March"

Jeremiah Clarke (1674-1707)

"Fantasy on Hyfrydol"

arr. Hal H. Hopson (b. 1933)

"Trumpet Tune Called the Cebell"

Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

The Carillon Ringers, Gordon Black, *Director* & Matthew Sonneborn, *Trumpet*

### Announcements

#### \* The Call to Worship

*Rejoice and be glad:*

**This is the day the Lord has made!**

*Rejoice and be glad:*

**Heaven and earth will never be the same!**

*Rejoice and be glad:*

**Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

*Let us worship the living God.*

**Easter Fanfare** to "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

Stanley Leonard (b. 1931)

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

EASTER HYMN

**1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!**

**Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!**

**Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!**

**Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**3. But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!**

**Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!**

**Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!**

**Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**

**2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!**

**Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!**

**Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!**

**Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

**4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!**

**Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia!**

**Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!**

**Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

*Gracious God, we have heard the good news: how on the third day, Christ rose again.*

**Still we look for the living among the dead.**

*You rolled away the stone from the tomb.*

**Still we look for the living among the dead.**

*You sent messengers to proclaim the gospel.*

**Still we look for the living among the dead.**

*You were faithful to your promise; you have done wonderful things!*

**Still we look for the living among the dead.**

*(silence)*

*Forgive us, Lord, we pray. Teach us to trust your promise and to believe the good news of salvation:*

**Christ is alive; Jesus is risen from the dead. 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 (10am)

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

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

*<sup>19</sup> If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a human, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human, <sup>22</sup> for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. <sup>23</sup> But each in its own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who*

*belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup> Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death.*

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem:** "This Must be the Lamb"

Mary McDonald (b. 1956)

The Chancel Choir

We had wounds that needed healing; we sought for hope to be restored. Cruel death had overwhelmed us; Satan thought he'd won this war. But he came to us, this Savior, and he chose to bleed and die, stretched out his arms in forgiveness, wrote his name across the sky. This must be the Savior; this must be the Lamb. This must be the Bread of Life, eternal, great "I AM!" This must be the Lamb! Now we stand in the presence of the One who called our name. He has claimed us for his glory, conquered death and took our shame. Glory to the risen Savior; glory to the great "I AM!" Death on earth has been defeated; glory to the risen Lamb!

**The Second Reading**

John 20:1-18

*<sup>1</sup> Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup> So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." <sup>3</sup> Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup> The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup> and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup> Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, <sup>9</sup> for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup> Then the disciples returned to their homes. <sup>11</sup> But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, <sup>12</sup> and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup> They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup> When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup> Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup> Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" <sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.*

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** "Seeing the Lord"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

**\* The Affirmation of Faith**

Book of Order (Romans 8)

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

**Offering**

**Offertory:** "How Marvelous, How Wonderful"

McDonald

The Chancel Choir

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene, and wonder how he could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean. For me it was in the garden he prayed, "Not my will but thine." He had no tears for his own griefs, but sweat drops of blood for mine. How marvelous! How wonderful! My song shall ever be: How marvelous! How wonderful! My Savior's love for me! He took my sins and my sorrows he made them his very own; he bore the burden to Calvary, and suffered, and died alone. When with the ransomed in glory his face I at last shall see, 'twill be my joy through the ages to sing of his love for me!

**\* 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 #122: "Thine is the Glory"**

JUDAS MACCABAEUS

**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.**

*Continued*

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:**

**Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son;  
Endless is the victory  
Thou o'er death hast won.**

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:**

*Go out with joy to tell the good news: Jesus Christ is risen!*

**He is risen, indeed!**

*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: "Rondo in G Major"**

John Bull (1562-1628)

Matthew Sonneborn, *Trumpet*

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



**The Easter Lilies adorning the sanctuary are given by:**

In memory of *our parents* by Jack & Janie Ballurio

In memory of *Joyce & Doreen Bevan* by Lewis Bevan

In memory of the *Sciascia & Bevilacqua Families*  
by Michael & Debbie Bevilacqua

In memory of *our son, Captain David E. Bowser,*  
*USMC F/A 18,* by Joanne & Ellsworth Bowser

In memory of *our sisters* by Mimi & John Braun

In memory of *Jerilyn Bush* by Bob & Madge Bush

In memory of *my parents, Rev. Dr. & Mrs. Allen C.*  
*Garner* by Virginia Garner Cullison

In memory of *our son, Christopher,*  
by Ron & Judy Davis

In memory of *Loren E. Dawley*  
by Debbie and his loving family

In memory of *Bill Dersch* by his wife,  
Joyce and sons, Tom & David

In loving memory of *Bill* by Molly Godley

In memory of *my Grandma Mercer and my dad, Norman Burke* by the Grider Family

In memory of *Edward Haller (our Founder)*  
by Joan Haller & Family

In memory of *our daughter, Amy*  
by Tom & Susan Hallin

In memory of *my husband, Carl, and my daughter, Susan Zellers* by Joan Harter

In memory of *Wilbur & Ranier Hawkins, Edgar & Lois Wareham, infant son, John David Hawkins, Edgar Lee Wareham, Cynthia Hawkins Shogren* and in honor of *son, Edgar James, daughter, Constance Ranier and grandsons: Jacob, Adam, Luke, Mark & Quentin*  
by Jim & Deane Hawkins

In honor of the "*Vanderbilt Ladies Who Lunch*"  
by Barbara Hebert

In loving memory of *my husband, Sam*, by Elaine Hinkle

In memory of *my wife, Byna* and in honor of *my wonderful daughter, Heather Thompson*,  
by her dad, Ben Hood

In memory of *Les* by Carol Jorgensen

In memory of *Bob & Robbie* by Peggy Landon

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

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

In loving memory of *Tommy Magarro, Randy Goode, and Ruth, Andrew and Randy Burger*  
by Carolyn Magarro

In memory of *Fran Marinari* by Gabrielle & Francine

In memory of *departed family members and friends* by  
Bob & Doris Martin

In memory of *Bruce* by Anne Maters

In memory of *Tom* by Sharon Messmore

In memory of *Elsie & C. W. Mobley*  
by Vicki & Chris Mobley

In memory of *Ethel Lea*, mother of Sally Muir,  
by Sally & Jim Muir

In honor of *my beloved Church - Miss You All!!*  
by Nancy Myers

In honor of *Mike, Tiffany, Zach & Jake Myers*  
by Steve & Mary Lynn Myers

In memory of *John H. Newman*  
by Herb & Marciadee Newman

In honor of *Bill Oehler* and in loving memory of  
*Judy Oehler* by Nancy Oehler Love

In honor of *family & friends* by Pocket Patterson

In memory of *Annette Kocal* by Jean Rawson

In memory of *my parents, Rev. Tom P. Tidwell & Jo Tidwell* by Leah Ray

In memory of *our beloved daughter, Minnette Reckmeyer Frank* by Bill & Jodi Reckmeyer

In honor of *Ron Shaffer* by Fred Roe

In memory of *Lloyd & Dorothy Rose*  
by Pat Rose & Carol Jorgensen

In loving memory of *my husband, Ray*,  
by Carolyn Schumann

In loving memory of *Judy & Carol* by Pete Schwiers

In loving memory of *Bob, Doris, Richard Smith and Cassidy Otto* by Deborah Smith  
By Jack & Ellen Tanner

In memory of *Bill Thomas and Jean & Howard Holsinger* by Lynn Thomas

In loving memory of *my husband, Jack*,  
by Rosemarie Ufheil

In memory of *Judy Malone, Marilyn McKee and Karen Schulz* by Bill & Sue Van Fossen

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

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





### SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

**April 27, 2025 - 10:00 am**

**Sermon:** "We Bear Fruit"

**First Reading:** Acts 5:27-32

**Gospel Reading:** John 20:19-31

### STEPHEN MINISTRY:

*"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds."*

- Psalm 147:3

Stephen Ministers are trained to be good listeners. Sometimes just being able to talk about grief is a step in the healing process.

### 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.

John Baird	Dick Creviston	Sandra Johnson	Sam & Marilyn Schellar
Chuck & Kristi Beattie	Andrea Daggett	Doris Martin	Matthew Skrip
Alexis Bevan	Louise Eliot	Ellen Morton	Linda Surawiak
Doris Bowman	Dan Gagliano	Joan Mountford	Yana and family in Ukraine
Adriana Caruso	Fred Guttshall	Donna Mullin	Yvonne & Tony Van Rooyen
Dick Clark	Kate Hafner	Eliza Nevin	Jay Wilson
Pat Colby	Jim Hart	Ivana Novelli	Chris Wood & Family
Bob & Jan Conrad	Elaine Hinkle	Jodi Reckmeyer	
Sonja Cookson	Barbara Hurst & Family	Father Monty Sayers	



#### Happy Birthday!

Lillia Guttshall	4/20	*Dick Hilton	4/23
*Ruth Felipe	4/20	*Reggie Smith	4/23
*Jack Tanner	4/22	Al Todd	4/24
Ayden Carver	4/22	*Carolyn Elmore	4/24
*Jill Dunn	4/22	*David Gibson	4/25
Scott Cunningham	4/22	Joan Butler	4/25
		Wendy Baker	4/26

#### Happy Anniversary!

Price & Carol Lindsay	4/25
Alyce & Jack Demma	4/25
Courtney & Emilio Martinez	4/25

#### \* 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.

#### 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)

#### Staff SGT Jacob Guzman

US Army-Kuwait

(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)

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

- VPC Office Closed for Easter Monday - Monday, April 21
- New photos for our directory after worship today!