

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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June 1, 2025 - 10:00 am The Seventh Sunday of Easter

The flowers on the Chancel are donated in memory of Joyce & Doreen Bevan by Lew Bevan and in loving memory of Fred Guttshall by his family.

The Fellowship Hour is sponsored in memory of Joyce & Doreen Bevan by Lew Bevan.

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 Brooke Vayda, Children's Moment Janie Ballurio, Liturgist The Chancel Choir Julie Carver, Pianist Victoria Bonavita, Audio/Visual Technician Greeters: Priscilla Kutler & CC Waskey Ushers: Jerry & Mari-Bea Warnken (Head Ushers), Steve Blad, Doug Dunn, Ben Hood, Pat Rose

Communion Servers: Karen Chappler, Jan Fern, Anne Foote, Max Gould, Carol & Price Lindsay, Eliza Nevin, Tim Riggers, Ellen Tanner, Becky Wheat

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Psalm 97

¹The LORD is king! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

² Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;

righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

³ Fire goes before him and consumes his adversaries on every side.

⁴ His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

⁵ The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth.

⁶ The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples behold his glory.

⁷ All servants of images are put to shame, those who make their boast in worthless idols; all gods bow down before him.

⁸ Zion hears and is glad, and the towns of Judah rejoice because of your judgments, O God. ⁹ For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

¹⁰ You who love the LORD, hate evil; he guards the lives of his faithful; he rescues them from the hand of the wicked.

¹¹ Light dawns for the righteous and joy for the upright in heart. ¹² Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

Prelude: "Air" Samuel Wesley (1766-1837)

Announcements

* The Call to Worship

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

Let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let everyone who hears say, "Come."

Let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

Let everyone who is thirsty come.

Come to the tree of life, the Alpha and the Omega.

Amen, Come, Lord Jesus.

Let us worship God.

* **Hymn** #2: "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

HYFRYDOL

- 1. Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.

 Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.
- 2. Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King, born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

Gracious Power, you call us to your everlasting springs to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you. We do not turn with love to our neighbors, to ourselves, or to you. Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due, and guide us into unity with all for the sake of the whole world. (silence) Amen.

Affirmation of Forgiveness

In the compassion of the God who prays for us, with us, and in us, you are forgiven, for the sake of the one who was sent to show us the face of love and who died and rose, one with the Father and with us. 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

Brooke Vayda

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

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17

¹² "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End." ¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. ¹⁶ "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." ¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading John 17:20-26

²⁰ "I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵ "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you, and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them and I in them."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: "Becoming Completely One"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

* 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: "Communion Meditation"

Edward H. Wetherill (1927-1990)

The Chancel Choir

Bread of the world in mercy broken, Wine of the soul in mercy shed. By whom the words of life were spoken, And in whose death our sins are dead. Look on the heart by sorrow broken, Look on the tears by sinners shed, And be the feast to us the token That by thy grace our souls are fed. Amen.

* 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

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: Medley of Familiar Hymns

Julie Carver

Prayer after Communion

Giving God, living Lord, you have fed us with your body. You have poured out your life that we might live. We thank you, for we have tasted your goodness in this meal. Fed, we are strengthened; filled, we are renewed to share the abundance of your love with a hungry world. Amen.

* **Hymn** #**509**: "For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

CROSS OF JESUS

- For the bread which You have broken,
 For the wine which You have poured,
 For the words which You have spoken,
 Now we give You thanks, O Lord.
- By this promise that You love us, By Your gift of peace restored, By Your call to heaven above us, Hallow all our lives, O Lord.
- 3. With the saints who now adore You Seated at the heavenly board, May the Church still waiting for You Keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.
- 4. In Your service, Lord, defend us; In our hearts keep watch and ward; In the world to which You send us Let Your kingdom come, O Lord.

* Commission and Blessing:

Your chains are broken; your prison doors are open. Go forth, then, with joy to live as one with the God who sends you out.

Alleluia!

Let the hope that is in you, free you daily that through you, the Holy Sprit may free others. Alleluia!

Amen!

* 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: "Short Voluntary" John Worgan (1724-1790)

Please remain seated until the end of the postlude.



SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

June 8, 2025 10:00 am **Day of Pentecost**

Sermon: "Spirit of Truth" First Reading: Acts 2:1-21 Gospel Reading: John 14:8-17



CONNECTION CUPS

Are you looking to connect with other members of Vanderbilt? We have Fellowship Hour following worship every Sunday morning. Everyone is invited to join us in Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation. Use of a red coffee mug indicates that you are open to conversation with others. We



encourage you to connect with someone new each week. Be on the lookout for the red mugs!



A.I.M.

Adventures In Membership Are you interested in joining our church family? Join us for worship and stay for a brief Q&A with Pastor Rob as we chat about Vanderbilt and what it means to be involved in the ministry of Christ's church.

June 1 - 11:15am



Remember that your
Vanderbilt Presbyterian
Church family loves you!
If you have any prayer
requests, upcoming
surgeries or health
concerns, please reach out
to the office staff so they
can inform the Pastor,
Deacons and Stephen
Ministers or just add your
name to our prayer list.

STEPHEN MINISTRY:

Stephen Ministers meet you where you are in your grief. "Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn." - Romans 12:15



Congregational Meeting Notice



The Session has approved a request of the Congregational Nominating Committee to call a meeting of the congregation on June 8, 2025

for the purpose of electing an officer to fill an unexpired term.

The meeting will be held in the Sanctuary around 11am immediately following the 10am worship service.





Have you signed up for Lunch Bunch yet? Join us! Our next lunch is on Sunday June 8th!

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

Adult Education Opportunities

Summer 2025 Schedule

Summer Adult Education opportunities will include one class on Sunday mornings after worship and fellowship (11:45am-12:30pm) and the same class again on Monday evenings at 6:30pm.

Parables from the Gospel of Luke

June 1: The Faithful Servant June 8: The Good Samaritan June 15: The Friend at Night **Tom Grundstrom**,

Adult Education

Facilitator



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	Dick Clark Pat Colby Bob & Jan Conrad	Elaine Hinkle Sandra Johnson The Rose Lehman	Jodi Reckmeyer Twila Rowe Sam & Marilyn Schellar
David Aufderhaar	Sonja Cookson	Family	Pete Schwiers
John Baird	Dick Creviston	Doris Martin	Yana and family in Ukraine
Chuck & Kristi Beattie	Louise Eliot	Donna Mullins	Russell Vance
Denis Borque	Dan Gagliano	Flavia Nascimento	Yvonne & Tony Van Rooyen
Joan Butler	Max Gould	& Family	Anita Wade
Baby Brody Bush	Kate Hafner	Ivana Novelli	Jay Wilson
Adriana Caruso	Jim & Mary Hart	Leah Ray	

Happy Birthday! Happy Anniversary!

6/7

*Audrey Olsen

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Jean Lonergan	6/1	George & Ellen Morton	6/2
Babs Brock	6/1	Stephen & Cindi Schock	6/2
Haley Hood	6/1	Thomas & Kristina Hauschild	6/2
Yari Figueroa	6/2	Brett & Liberty Franklin	6/3
Olivia Carver	6/3	Bill & Ann Lienemann	6/4
Ralph Miranda	6/4	John & Mimi Braun	6/6
Elizabeth Lepore	6/5	Jeremy & Elke Barber	6/6
Linda Wagner	6/6	Robert & Gracia Schmidt	6/7
Ed Kirby	6/6	*P: d l . d l W . l	1 11

Joan Mountford's memorial service will be held on Saturday, June 7 at 11am with a reception in Fellowship Hall afterwards.



* 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). Thank you for your continued prayers for these military personnel.

LT Wyatt R. Dawley	COL Jessica D. Grassetti	SGT Wesley Kennedy
US Navy Intel	(Claudia Polzin's niece)	USMC - Ft. Myers, FL
(Debbie Dawley's grandson)	E4 Brian Guzman	1st LT Tyler Olbrich
PVT E2 Joshua Fowler,	USAF - Colorado	US Army - Iraq
US Army, Columbus, GA	(Cesar Guzman's son)	(friend of Karen Hiller)
(Joe & Sharon Doggett's	Staff SGT Jacob Guzman	MAJ Rex Rafferty
grandson)	US Army-Kuwait	USAF—Alabama
MAJ Allen Fujinaka	(Cesar Guzman's son)	(Norm & Linda Parker's
US Army (LaVerne Perrollaz's	CPTN Devon Hennessey	granddaughter's husband)
granddaughter's husband)	Korea (Toni Hubbard)	LCPL Michael Russell
		USMC - Camp Lejeune, NC
		(Heather Anderson's son)