



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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June 8, 2025

10:00 am

The Day of Pentecost

The flowers on the Chancel are donated in loving memory of Joan Mountford by Terry and family.

Join us for Fellowship Hour after worship.

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

Mary Lynn Myers, Liturgist

The Chancel Choir

Julie Carver, Pianist

Victoria Bonavita, Audio/Visual Technician

Greeters: Carol Lindsay & Ruth Wade

Ushers: Becky Wheat (Head Usher), Greg & Julie Borden, Karen Chappler, Nancy Guthy, Lynn Thomas

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

²⁴ O LORD, how manifold are your works!

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

²⁵ There is the sea, great and wide; creeping things innumerable are there,
living things both small and great.

²⁶ There go the ships and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

²⁷ These all look to you to give them their food in due season;

²⁸ when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

²⁹ When you hide your face, they are dismayed;

when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

³⁰ When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

³¹ May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—

³² who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

³³ I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

³⁴ May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

³⁵ Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more.

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

Prelude: "Come, Holy Spirit"

Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau (1663-1712)

Announcements

* The Call to Worship

How manifold are your works, O Lord!

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

You send forth your spirit, and they are created;

And so you renew the face of the earth.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

I will praise my God while I have my being.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn #129: "Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"

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1. Come, O Spirit, dwell among us,
Come with Pentecostal power;
Give the church a stronger vision,
Help us face each crucial hour.
Built upon a firm foundation,
Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,
Still the church is called to mission
That God's love shall be made known.

2. We would raise our alleluias
For the grace of yester-years;
For tomorrow's unknown pathway,
Hear, O Lord, our humble prayers.
In the church's pilgrim journey
You have led us all the way,
Still in presence move before us,
Fire by night and cloud by day.

**3. Come, O Spirit, dwell among us;
Give us words of fire and flame.
Help our feeble lips to praise You,
Glorify Your holy name.**

**Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Three in one: what mystery!
We would sing our loud hosannas
Now and through eternity.**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

Without your power, O God, we are lost. We have done the things we would avoid, and what you desire, we have not done. By your purifying fire transform our lives; guide us into honesty and compassion so that filled with your peace our dreams and visions may be one with yours; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. *(silence)* Amen.

Affirmation of Forgiveness

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. By the power in whom we live and move and have our being, I pronounce to you the complete forgiveness of all your sins, through the holy Trinity, one God, whose mercy is everlasting.

Friends believe the good news.

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

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

Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." ¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

John 14:8-17

⁸ Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. ¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: "Spirit of Truth"

The Rev. Robert J. Marrow

*** The Affirmation of Faith**

Westminster Confession

The Holy Spirit, the third Person in the Trinity, proceeding from the Father and the Son, of the same substance and equal in power and glory, is, together with the Father and the Son, to be believed in, loved, obeyed, and worshiped throughout all ages. Amen.

Offering

Offertory: "Come Down, O Love Divine"

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

The Chancel Choir

(The text is found in the hymnal on page 313.)

*** 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 #126: "Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove"**

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| 1. Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
With all Thy quickening powers;
Kindle a flame of sacred love
In these cold hearts of ours. | 3. Dear Lord, and shall we ever live
At this poor dying rate?
Our love so faint, so cold to Thee,
And Thine to us so great! |
| 2. In vain we tune our formal songs,
In vain we strive to rise;
Hosannas languish on our tongues,
And our devotion dies. | 4. Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
With all Thy quickening powers;
Come, shed abroad a Savior's love,
And that shall kindle ours. |

*** Commission and Blessing:**

Love the commandments, keep them, honor them, do right by your neighbors, and listen to the Spirit.

Alleluia!

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: "Sinfonies de Fanfares"

Jean-Joseph Mouret (1682-1738)

Please remain seated until the end of the postlude.

Congregational Meeting Notice



JOIN US

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.



SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK

June 15, 2025

10:00 am

Trinity Sunday

Sermon:

"An Outpouring
of God's Love"

First Reading:

Romans 5:1-5

Gospel Reading:

John 16:12-15



**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.**

CONNECTION CUPS

Everyone is invited to join us in Fellowship Hall for coffee and conversation after the worship service. Use of a red coffee mug indicates that you are open to conversation with others.

We encourage you to connect with someone new!

Volunteers!

VBS Needs Y-O-U!

Share God's love with children this summer - **July 14-18, 9am-12pm!** Vacation Bible School is loads of fun and full of lasting impact for everyone involved.

So many ways to serve: adults, collegiate, rising middle school and high school students.

Please mark your calendar for our mandatory VBS Volunteer Training on **Wednesday, July 9 at 5:30 p.m.**

email hmikes@vpcnaples.org

Have a heart to serve, but limited time? Please consider sending donations directly to our team from our Amazon Wish List.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2PY86NBS4U0AR?ref=wl_share

Thank you!



VANDERBILT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESENTS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



JULY 14-18 FROM 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

VBS is for kids ages 3 years old (by Sept. 1) through rising 5th Grade.

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.



Volunteers from VPC are scheduled to serve at

Mision Peniel on

June 13, 2025 at 1pm.

If you can help, please email

Karen Chappler at

kchappler@aol.com.

SUMMER IS HERE....CAN YOU SPARE SOME TIME TO SERVE OTHERS?



STEPHEN MINISTRY:

"I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, to attain the resurrection of the dead."

- Philippians 12:15

Part of what it means to share in Christ's suffering is to share in the suffering of those whom Christ loves.



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 8: The Good Samaritan

June 15: The Friend at Night

Tom Grundstrom,

Facilitator

Adult Education



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.



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

Happy Birthday!

Dick Dahnke	6/9
Gail Gorran	6/9
Elizabeth Yovanovich	6/10
Caroline Yovanovich	6/10
Carolyn Schumann	6/11
David Aufderhaar	6/11
Macalister Davies	6/11
*Steven Woodring	6/12
*Joe Felipe	6/12
*Elaine Hinkle	6/13
*Deane Hawkins	6/13
Wayne Peters	6/13

Happy Anniversary!

Jim & Sally Muir	6/10
Jim & Deane Hawkins	6/10
Janet & James Mungo	6/10
John & Roberta McMaster	6/11
Gary & Anne Christensen	6/11
David & Tarie Curtiss	6/12

Welcome to our new Birthday Club Members!

Andrea Paciello	2/8
David Rohde	4/17

THANK YOU!



* **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
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)