

# 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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## May 31, 2026—10:00 am—Family Led Worship Trinity Sunday & Graduation Sunday

The flowers on the Chancel are given in loving memory of my husband, Jim,  
from Marsha and the Bennett Family.

The Fellowship Hour is sponsored with hearty congratulations to all graduates by the Grider Family.

### Worship Participants

**The Rev. Robert J. Marrow**, *Pastor*  
**Rev. Miguel Estrada**, *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*  
**Susie Hilton**, *Liturgist*  
**Devon Grider**, *Youth Liturgist*  
**Julie Carver**, *Pianist*

**The Chancel Choir**  
**Victoria Bonavita**, *Audio/Visual Technician*  
**Lena Crown & Emmy Vayda**, *Youth Acolytes*  
**Greeters:** Pat Gagliano & Priscilla Kutler  
**Youth Greeters:** Addison & Avery Acx  
**Ushers:** Joe Trees (Head Usher),  
Joan Butler, Doug Dunn, Bill & Geri Payne,  
Lynn Thomas  
**Youth Ushers:** Carter Mikes & Riley Grider

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Psalm 8

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
You have set your glory above the heavens.

<sup>2</sup> Out of the mouths of babes and infants  
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,  
to silence the enemy and the avenger.

<sup>3</sup> When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars that you have established;  
<sup>4</sup> what are humans that you are mindful of them,  
mortals that you care for them?

<sup>5</sup> Yet you have made them a little lower than God  
and crowned them with glory and honor.

<sup>6</sup> You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet,  
<sup>7</sup> all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,  
<sup>8</sup> the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

<sup>9</sup> O LORD, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**Prelude:** Three Chorale Preludes on “All Glory Be to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost”

Friderich Wilhelm Zachau (1663-1712),  
Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706), Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)

### Announcements

### Passing of the Peace

#### \* The Call to Worship:

*Our gracious God has created us and called us his own.*

**Let us worship the triune God.**

*Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, has redeemed our lives.*

**Let us worship the triune God.**

*The Holy Spirit sustains and guides us all the days of our lives.*

**In gratitude and joy, let us worship the triune God!**

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

### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession & Silent Personal Confession

Look deep, loving God, and see us as we really are. We are a people who prefer our will to your will. We focus on things of the self and give little thought or care to others. We wander through our days giving little thought to our own discipleship, let alone our call to help others become disciples. Forgive us, God of grace. Forgive us and set us again on the path of your righteousness. *(silence)* Amen.

#### Affirmation of Forgiveness

*Hear the Good News! While it is true that we have sinned, it is a greater truth that in the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Know you are forgiven and be at peace.*

**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

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

Genesis 1:1-2, 31-2:4a

*<sup>1</sup> When God began to create the heavens and the earth, <sup>2</sup> the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. <sup>31</sup> God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. <sup>2:1</sup> Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude. <sup>2</sup> On the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. <sup>3</sup> So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. <sup>4</sup> These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.*

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

### The Second Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

*<sup>16</sup> Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** "Trinity: Love, Life and Community"

The Rev. Miguel Estrada

### \* The Affirmation of Faith

from The Study Catechism

**I love because God first loved me. God loves me in Christ with a love that never ends. Amazed by grace, I no longer live for myself. I live for the Lord who died and rose again, triumphant over death, for my sake. Therefore, I take those around me to heart, especially those in particular need, knowing that Christ died for them no less than for me. Amen.**

### Offering



*Let us with gladness present our gifts and offerings to the Lord.*

*Gifts may be placed in the offering plates, given online, or by scanning the QR code.*

**Offertory: "Be Thou My Vision"**

David Barton (b. 1983)

The Chancel Choir

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art; Be thou my best thought in the day and the night, Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word; Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord; Be thou my great Father and I thy true son; Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one. Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight; Be thou my whole armor, be thou my true might; Be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower; O raise me heavenward, great Power of my power. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise; Be thou mine inheritance now and always; Be thou and thou only the first in my heart; O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art. High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun, O grant me its joys after victory is won; Great heart of my own heart, whatever befall; Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

**\* 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 #139: "Come, Thou Almighty King"**

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| <p><b>1 Come, Thou Almighty King,<br/>Help us Thy name to sing,<br/>Help us to praise:<br/>Father, all-glorious,<br/>O'er all victorious,<br/>Come, and reign over us,<br/>Ancient of Days.</b></p> <p><b>2. Come, Thou Incarnate Word,<br/>Gird on Thy mighty sword,<br/>Our prayer attend:<br/>Come, and Thy people bless,<br/>And give Thy word success;<br/>Spirit of holiness,<br/>On us descend.</b></p> | <p><b>3. Come, Holy Comforter,<br/>Thy sacred witness bear<br/>In this glad hour:<br/>Thou who almighty art,<br/>Now rule in every heart,<br/>And ne'er from us depart,<br/>Spirit of power.</b></p> <p><b>4. To Thee, great One in Three,<br/>The highest praises be,<br/>Hence evermore!<br/>Thy sovereign majesty<br/>May we in glory see,<br/>And to eternity<br/>Love and adore.</b></p> |
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**\* Commission and Blessing**

*The eternal Creator calls us.*

**The risen Savior sends us.**

*Go into all the world,*

**Making disciples for Jesus Christ.**

*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:** Psalm 19: "The Heavens Are Telling the Glory of the Lord!" Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

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

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**

**June 7, 2026 — 10:00 a.m.**

**Guest Preacher: Melana Scruggs**

**Sermon: "God's Promises"**

**First Reading: Romans 4:13-25**

**Second Reading: Genesis 12:1-9**

**REMINDERS:**

- The Deacons letters are in the Narthex for your participation.
- Sign up to save a life! Donate blood on Sunday, June 7th!

**THANK YOU TO OUR GUEST PREACHER,  
REV. MIGUEL ESTRADA**



We welcome Rev. Miguel Estrada to our pulpit today as our guest preacher. Originally from Guatemala, Rev. Estrada has been a Presbyterian minister for 28 years. He holds degrees in Linguistics, Anthropology, and Theology and was a Fulbright Scholar.

Rev. Estrada served the National Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Guatemala as a pastor, as well as at regional and national levels. He moved to the United States in 2007 to start Misión Peniel, a farmworker ministry in Immokalee, Florida. Rev. Estrada also serves on the boards of the Fair Food Program and the Immokalee Fair Housing Alliance.



## For Sending a Child Into the World

The world has waited long enough to hear your voice, to feel your feet treading with gentle curiosity, to see how you wear each adventure beyond the porchlight of home.

You are always ready before I am, besting my instinct to keep you close.  
Thank God the world beckons you anyway, and the Spirit whispers a presence you cannot outlast.

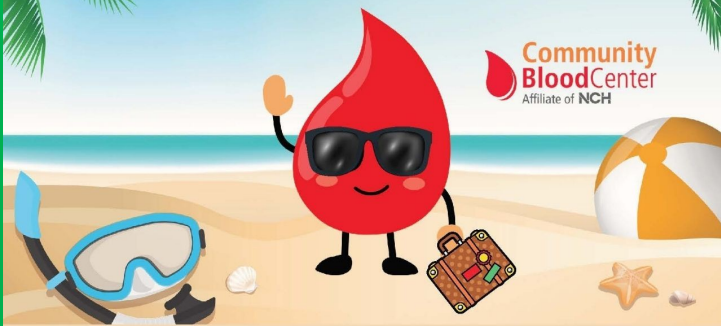
Go, child, into the wild places where you will fail and fly and find newness of life.

My heartstrings dance behind your figure  
like a kite tail rising in the wind, rejoicing in your freedom.

from Ordinary Blessings - by Meta Herrick Carlson

# Congratulations Graduates!

## PACK A PINT BEFORE YOUR VACATION



Please sign up in the Narthex  
or call the office to donate.

Remember, there is no  
substitute for blood!

If you can donate, please do!  
Thank you for saving lives!

- Eat & hydrate before donating
- Photo ID is required
- Minimum weight 110 pounds
- Minimum age: 16 with parent consent
- No age maximum
- You can give blood every 56 days

## CONGRATUALIONS GRADUATES!

Be sure to read about our students that have moved up in the bulletin insert. From Preschool at our beloved VLC all the way through graduate school, we celebrate each academic milestone!

### GIVE BLOOD

SUNDAY, JUNE 7  
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### SIGN-UP FOR AN ARRIVAL TIME:

📞 239.597.5410 [GiveBloodCBC.org](https://www.GiveBloodCBC.org)



VPC VBS Needs your donations to  
Help us make VBS Amazing!

## RAINFOREST FALLS

Exploring the Nature of God

We are looking for paper wrapping supplies from Amazon deliveries and oversized boxes (appliance size). Bring them to the church office or the Student Center. Check the VPC Week at a Glance links to our Amazon and Group Wish Lists.

Join us on Sunday,  
June 28, 2026 at 10:00am  
for Dr. James B. Cochran's  
final Sunday as Director of  
Music at Vanderbilt  
Presbyterian Church.

## THANK YOU JIM!

A reception will be held in  
Fellowship Hall after  
worship. Please plan to  
join us as we celebrate  
Jim's incredible 35 years  
of music ministry.

## 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. Prayer requests will be kept in the bulletin for 30 days.

Ridley Baird & Family	Pat Gould	Laura McLarty	Bill Shouldice
Chuck & Kristi Beattie	Lynne Gratton	The McMaster Family	Reggie Smith
Kimberly Gould	Jim & Mary Hart	Sally Muir	Tricia Taylor
Blackwell	Margaret Horstman	David Nale	Barbara Thomas
Jim Campbell	Sandra Johnson	Ivana Novelli	Bob Townsend
Adriana Caruso	Ana Koch	Audrey Olsen	Yana & family in Ukraine
Molly Cochran	Justin Loeffler	Pat Paciello	Bill & Sue Van Fossen
Pat Colby	Andrew Lowry	Jodi Reckmeyer	Yvonne & Tony
Bob & Jan Conrad	Carolyn Mackie	Marsha Reed	Van Rooyen
Ron Davis	Sr. Markolette Madden	Pat Rose	Dianne Westerlund
Joyce Dersch	Doris Martin	Twila Rowe	
John Dietrich	Megan Martin	Sam & Marilyn Schellar	
Jim Folliard	Barbara McElwaine	Pete Schwiers	



### Happy Birthday!

Bee Getman	5/31
Jean Lonergan	6/1
Babs Brock	6/1
Haley Hood	6/1
Yari Figueroa	6/2
Olivia Carver	6/3
Ralph Miranda	6/4
Elizabeth Lepore	6/5
Linda Wagner	6/6
Ed Kirby	6/6



### Happy Anniversary!

George & Ellen Morton	6/2
Stephen & Cindi Schock	6/2
Thomas & Kristina Hauschild	6/2
Brett & Liberty Franklin	6/3
John & Mimi Braun	6/6
Jeremy & Elke Barber	6/6

**\* 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 request up to 5% for Youth & Education Ministry!

### The James Cochran Fund for Tuning and Maintenance of the Fors Lively Fulcher Pipe Organ

To donate online go to [www.vpcnaples.org](http://www.vpcnaples.org) and GIVE in the Endowment section.

Make checks payable to Vanderbilt Presbyterian. Add "Cochran Endowment Fund" to the note.



## 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)

**COL Jessica D. Grassetti**  
(Claudia Polzin's niece)  
**E4 Brian Guzman**  
USAF - Colorado  
(Cesar Guzman's son)  
**Staff SGT Jacob Guzman**  
US Army-Ft. Campell, KY  
(Cesar Guzman's son)

**SGT Wesley Kennedy**  
USMC - Ft. Myers, FL  
**CPT Tyler Olbrich**  
US Army - South Carolina  
(friend of Karen Hiller)  
**LCPL Michael Russell**  
USMC - Camp Lejeune, NC  
(Heather Anderson's son)