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Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Hymn #482

Praise Ye The Lord, The Almighty

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Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory
Better Than Life

Youth Choir
Israel Houghton

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Hymn #592

Children dismissed for new Bridges class

Scripture
Genesis 17:1-8

Sermon
A New Beginning
Sermon Series: God’s Big Story

Pastor Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

Hymn #488
The God of Abraham Praise

LEONI

Benediction

Postlude

Terry Sisk, organist

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Sunday Worship 9:30 & 11:00

Prelude                       Terry Sisk, organist

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Anthem                             Sanctuary Choir
Psalm 86                             Nygard, Jr.

Children’s Message                               Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

Baptisms

9:30  Logan Mark Kenney, child of Mark and Jennifer Kenney
      Annabel Grace Kelly, child of John and Isabel Kelly
11:00 Anne Kingsley Sonner, child of Michael and Jeanette Sonner
      Elise Christine Adler, child of Jeffrey and Carolyn Adler

Offertory                     Sanctuary Choir
God, Our Refuge II (Breathe On Me Breath Of God)               Wilhour

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Intercessory Prayers

Grieving: The family of Alice Eberhard, the family and friends of Ruth Knee, Anne Owens (father), Kristina Schenck (mother), Tom Katrinik (wife, friend of Ele Woglom)

Hospitalized: Susan Crouse’s father, Paula Lohrmann’s cousin, Lindsey Loving’s uncle, Vicky McLaine’s son’s father-in-law, Emily Mandell (2)

Facing Tests or Surgery: Arayanna Darst, Jane Dittig, Bill George, Kathryn Gilchrist’s brother

Homebound: Virginia LaPrade

Ill or Convalescing: Cecilia Baldwin, Bill Baughma Frances Brown, Mary Carter, Sam Crawford, Marge Cremer, Lily Eldridge, Dick Hutcheson, Larry Kennedy, Irma Kerr, JimLarson, Pat Palmer, Bill Phillips, Dennis Ryan, Jerry Schnell, Eric Stephens, Kathy Van Meter, Fred Wilburn, Bill Windle

Family and Friends: Bob & Joanne Bower’s friend Ralph, Web & Frances Brown’s son, Bill Christopher’s brother, Linda Colbert’s friend Tucky, Beth Crowder’s brother, Laura Curry-Greene’s friend Denny, Arayanna Darst’s friends Doug & Margaret Hodge, also Dave and Joshua (8), Bill Downer’s father, Karen Dunlop’s sister, Nancy Ensey’s friend Cyndy, Phyllis Foley’s brother-in-law, Kathryn Gilchrist’s cousin, Joanna Greig’s neighbor Jim, Jean Hamill’s brother, Joyce Hickson-Szten’s & Emil Szten’s daughter, Garth Jensen’s friend Jim, Lynn Johnson’s sister, Gary Kanady’s brother, Linda Kemple’s aunt, Ruth Klug’s mother, Ron Kuykendall’s sister, Beatriz LaFuente’s father, Stella Lansing’s mother, Tana Leasure’s cousin’s wife, Kathy Leggette’s brother, Emma Lynch’s father, Allen & Suzie Martin’s grandson Wyatt (8) & Suzie’s friend Marcia, Jenn Mattson’s uncle, Debbie McBrien’s brother, Vicky McLaine’s cousin-in-law Annie, Kerry Nikolich’s mother, Stan Ott’s friend Rene, Becky Rutkiewic’s friend Ellie, Dineke Shirley’s brother, Jane Sibley’s mother, Mary Ann Singlaub’s mother & stepmother, Dave Smith’s sister, Tricia Stevelly’s mother, & her friends Lloyd & Leanne, Tom Sutton’s sister, Leslie Vereide’s stepfather, Pamela Vining’s friend Linda, Gerri Webb’s cousin Ken, Lori Wiencek’s friend John, Mary Wisenbaugh’s friend Patti

Other: Kristin Brown, Greg Coats, Valery Kratovil, Kathleen Huber’s friend Shayne

Congratulations to: Steve & Marieke Ertel on the birth of Donald Ertel on October 1st.

We rejoice with Beth Goss and The Church of the Covenant in Arlington on the occasion of Beth’s installation (this afternoon at 4:00) as their pastor. Beth ably served at VPC last year as an interim associate pastor.


Non-Military, also “In Harm’s Way”: Mark Bochetti

Need Prayer for Yourself or Someone You Love?

USE the cards in the Friendship Pads in your pew, or at the rear of the church, and place them in the collection plate or the wooden box in the lobby/narthex.

CALL the church office at 703.938.9050, ext 301

SEND an e-mail to Shannon.jordan@viennapres.org; or enter a prayer request via the church’s website at www.viennapres.org homepage “Prayer Requests.”

Please make sure that you have permission before submitting a prayer request on behalf of someone else. Confidentiality requests are strictly honored.

If requested for the weekly bulletin, prayer notices will be made for two weeks, but can certainly be extended upon request.
How can you help with homelessness in Fairfax County?

At Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia we build more than houses...we transform lives. As an organization, our goal is to eliminate poverty and homelessness from the face of the earth by building adequate and basic housing.

On Saturday, July 12th, 2008, Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia broke ground on its newest build site, Maple Ridge Condominiums. Located in Fairfax, right next to the 12-unit Westbrook Forest Condominiums, Maple Ridge will be the future home of nine deserving families from the Northern Virginia area.

Vienna Presbyterian Church is joining with 6 other churches in the Vienna/Oakton area to sponsor a condominium ($150,000).

How can you help?
Watch for Saturday work dates when you can help with construction (no previous experience needed!).
Donate specifically to the Maple Ridge Vienna/Oakton Consortium by visiting the Habitat website www.habitatnova.org/donate or contact sheila.breuer@viennapres.org.

Missions prayer:
Gracious God, we pray for our nation and we pray for the world in this time of economic uncertainty. Guide the leaders of nations around the world as they make decisions affecting their economies as well as the global economy. We pray this in your name, Amen.
Upcoming Events

We need your participation!

A Congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, Oct 19, at 12:15 pm in the Great Hall. We will review and vote on the 2009 Ministry and Missions “Asking” Budget (available in the narthex and Gathering Space). Instead of our customary election of officers at this meeting, leadership will present a possible reorganization plan for our Trustees and Elders. Thank you for your participation!

Who are you sharing your journey with?

New small groups are starting the week of October 19 to begin a six-week journey of the study of Exodus. Sign-ups will be held today and October 19 outside the Great Hall across from the bookstore after church services. For more information contact Kelly Gould, kelly.gould@viennapres.org.

Are you an existing small group at Vienna Presbyterian Church that would like to participate in the six-week journey of the study of Exodus? This study will coincide with the sermon series starting the week of October 19. If your group would like to participate, please sign up with Kelly Gould now via email, kelly.gould@viennapres.org, or outside the Great Hall today and October 19 after church services to receive study materials.

Great Banquet Weekend Retreats

Spend three days deepening your relationship with God and other Christians! For Christians at all different points in their walk - from new believers to mature Christians. More information is available at www.novagb.org. Men’s weekend: Oct. 30 - Nov. 2. Women’s weekend: Nov. 6 - Nov 9.

Join us for the 4th Annual Vienna CROP Walk!

Sunday, Nov 9, 2008 at 2 pm. Join us as we "walk the talk" helping the hungry in our area and around the world. Sign up today in the Great Hall. Refreshments served in the Great Hall at the end of the walk. For more info contact Betty Rahal, www.viennacropwalk.org.
Welcome Gifts for Visitors and Guests: VPC cordially welcomes our visitors and guests. We are delighted you are here! Please stop by the Welcome Table in the narthex for a special gift. We hope you visit with us again!

UPCOMING EVENTS


SWATT (55 yrs+) upcoming events: Oct 30 – Bus trip to Montpelier, nearby winery, and lunch at Foti’s restaurant in Culpeper. Leave VPC by bus at 8:00 am, return 4:30 pm. Cost $85 p/p all inclusive. Register at Sign-Up table in narthex or contact Ronniejean Irvin 703.272.4113 or rbirvin@gmail.com. Mark your calendars now for Nov 20th trip to the Newseum and Dec 10th Christmas Luncheon at Marco Polo restaurant.

Retreat for all women! March 27-29, 2009, Massanetta Springs Conference Center, Harrisonburg, VA. Join Pastor Glenda and lay leaders as we explore what it means to be part of God's Garden. Registration has begun! $10 discount for all registrations on or before Nov 10. Register at www.viennapres.org/retreat. Questions: Judy Rust, 703.264.9820; Anna Whiston-Donaldson, 703.242.6253, Janine Mohl, 703.319.0972.

Want to get connected? Or to find out what’s going on in the life of our church community? Pick up a copy of the purple CONNECTIONS booklet at the Welcome Table or on the Gathering Space Wall. And remember, the most current version is always available at www.viennapres.org/connections.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The VPC Office will be closed on Monday, October 13, 2008.

Please do not park on the EAST side of SPOKES bike shop. Spokes opens at 10 am on Sunday mornings and needs to have their customer parking available. We have plenty of parking available in the medical building parking garage only half a block away on Park Street. Crossing Maple Avenue is not a challenge on Sunday mornings! Thank you!

“Our Stories” reflection booklets are now available in the narthex. If you enjoy reading about our moments with God and the powerful ways in which He speaks to us, these reflections written by members and friends of VPC should inspire you. Make sure you take one home today!

We’re seeking someone who loves very young children to be an additional “consistent face” in our Sunday morning Nursery. The position would be 9:15 am -12:15pm each Sunday. Please contact Clare.Maynard@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 ext. 351.

Looking for a gift? Or maybe just new inspiration for yourself? Recipes and Remembrances, the VPC cookbook of amazing recipes accented with tasty tidbits of VPC history, is available for $10. Please call Judy Rust to get your copy, 703.264.9820. All proceeds benefit Bethany House.

HIGHPOINT (Children’s Ministries)

Volunteers Needed to Help With MOPPETS: VPC recently started a MOPs (Mothers of Preschoolers) program and we’re offering an exciting childcare program for the children called MOPPETS. To provide a meaningful environment for the little ones, we need volunteers to rock babies and sit and play with toddlers. We meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month from 9:30-11:30. If you are willing to share one or two mornings a month contact Elaine.Wright@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 ext. 351.
We're pleased to announce the introduction of a Bridges class for children aged 4 through 2nd grade at 8 am. Children will attend the first part of the service with their parents and be dismissed to room 320 about 20 minutes into the service. Parents should pick up their children by the cross at the other end of the 1st floor hallway. For more information on the curriculum, please visit the VPC website. Please contact clare.maynard@viennapres.org with any questions.

We're seeking three additional adults to work with our children on Sunday mornings this fall. The opportunities are: 9:30 1st grade lead teacher twice a month; 11:00 Bridges lead teacher one week in three; 11:00 Gateways assistant once a month. Contact: clare.maynard@viennapres.org.

The UNDERGROUND (Student Ministries)

High School Youth Group will not meet tonight, Oct 12. We'll see you next week!

Middle School Youth Group is going strong. We'll see you there on Friday, October 18th.

Sunday Night Fever comes to the Underground on Oct 26. Join us for the annual costume party for Middle and High School students. 5:30 – 8 pm in the Underground. Come hang out and dance under the disco ball. We’ll be collecting donations for the Lamb Center.

Student Ministries Fall Retreat is Nov 7-9. Register by Oct 26. $99 for a complete weekend of fun.

Looking to mentor some awesome young people? Have you considered leading a small group for Middle or High School? Contact Nina Graves (middle school) npgraves@verizon.net or Mary Monie (high school) vemaxx@verizon.net if you can help.

COLLEGE MINISTRIES

College Student Contact Information: Your VPC family wants to support and encourage our college students during these transformational years – so please take a moment to send an email to collegeministryVPC@gmail.com with your student’s name, college, year, school address and phone number by Oct. 17. Please do not assume we have your information!

Care Package Team: We are looking for a team of volunteers to help keep in touch with our college students through care packages! Are you creative? Do you have organizational skills? Can you stuff and tape? Yes, you can! Please email kayla.gray@gmail.com if you are interested!

MUSIC MINISTRIES

VPC Special Music Programs – Mark your calendars now!
Oct 19, 3 pm - Organ Spectacular
Five recitalists celebrate the International Year of the Pipe Organ.
Donation suggested.

Nov 16, 4 pm – Raffi Kasparian, Piano Recital
Accompanist for the U.S. Army Chorus

Dec 14, 4 pm – Children’s Choirs Christmas Concert

Dec 21, 4 & 7 pm – Glorious Sounds of Christmas

CARE AND SUPPORT

A Great Way You Can Help A Hurting Friend!
Do you have a friend, neighbor, co-worker, or relative going through a difficult time? A Stephen Minister may be able to offer the support he or she needs. Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation trained to provide emotional and spiritual care to people who are hurting. It’s confidential, free, and very helpful!
**Announcements**

**Christian Cancer Companions** was formed a few years ago by members of VPC who were all cancer survivors. These survivors felt called to outreach to individuals newly diagnosed with cancer, letting them know there were people who had been through what they were facing. If you know of a friend or loved one who would benefit from this support feel free to invite them. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Rita Lockwood for more information, 703.573.6168.

**Passages begins Thursday, Oct 23, 7 – 9 pm:**
Passages is a seminar and support group for people experiencing the pain of separation and divorce. Informational brochures and registration forms are available in the Gathering Space or through passages@viennapres.org.

**STUDY OPPORTUNITIES**

**New Women's Bible Study starting on Tuesday nights!** Come explore the book of Exodus, as our church community joins together for a 6-week small group Bible-study course. We will meet from 7:30 - 9:15 pm (10/21 - 11/25). For those that want to continue, the class will reconvene in January with a more in-depth study of the Tabernacle with Bible teacher, Beth Moore. Schedule works well for busy women! Contact LeslieVereide@msn.com for more information or to sign up. You can also sign up at the Sharing the Journey registration in the Great Hall.

**Young Adult Bible Study!** The young adult community gathers Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm to study the Bible together through a variety of media. Currently, we are watching clips from “Everything is Spiritual,” a talk given by pastor and author Rob Bell to help facilitate discussion and Bible study. We will be meeting in the home of Bert and Gerri Webb. For more information and directions to the Webb’s home, contact kelly.gould@viennapres.org.

**Single Parents Exodus Small Group:** Wednesdays in Oct/Nov. Interested? Contact Eleanor Hay at nimickhay@aol.com.

**Postponed:** The five-week adult education class from CenterPoint starting Oct. 14: “Your Story – THE Power of Attachment” and how it influences your autobiographical narrative. Lawrence Kennedy, Ph.D., has been postponed as Dr. Kennedy continues to recover from an accident. The class has not yet been rescheduled. Please watch the bulletin for more information. If you have already registered and paid for the class, you will be contacted regarding a refund.

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

**Volunteers Needed for Our Daily Bread Food Drive:** VPC partners with Our Daily Bread four times a year to donate and deliver food to low income residents in Fairfax County. The next food delivery is scheduled for Oct 26. VPC is looking for volunteers for the following dates:
- Oct 19 – Last day to return filled bags.
- Oct 25 – Help sort food into bags.
- Oct 26 – Deliver donated food items to families.
Contact Matt Stockburger, mstock_w@yahoo.com, if you are interested in helping.

**VPC’s Call and Care Ministry extends God’s love to our congregation** by phoning or writing notes saying, “Hello, how are you?” We currently need about two dozen new callers/note writers. Will you help us? We’ll supply you with a script, guidelines and a list of 10 families to call. Please contact Lisa Baltzer at 703.560.9398 or lisa@thebaltzers.com.

**Calling all Weeders!** Please come help beautify our church landscape on Saturday, Oct. 18, from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. Everyone needs to bring their own tools and recyclable bags. Pick your favorite landscape bed and enjoy cleaning it up!

**More service opportunities listed at** www.viennapres.org/connections.
Fall 2008 Room Assignments

**Class Room Assignments 2008-2009**

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**Adult Education Classes:**

**9:30**

**Beyond Basics:** Everyone is invited to come and hear Jon Lochhaas present a series of lessons on William Wilberforce’s book “Real Christianity.” Room 203/204. Coordinator: Kate Lund.

**Friendship Class:** For developmentally-challenged adults. Room 108C. Teachers: Emmy Parker & Beth Gourley.

**Lightseekers East:** An in-depth discussion of this morning’s scripture text. Attendance at 8 am service not required. Room 211.

**Lightseekers West:** An in-depth discussion of this morning’s scripture text. Attendance at 8 am service not required. Parlor. Coordinator: Leslie Vereide.

**Searchers in the Word:** Join our study on the wisdom literature, with a recorded introduction by noted Reformed scholar, R.C. Sproul. Dick Eagan’s office. Coordinators: George Marling and Marion Billington.

**Partners With Christ:** Beginning today we will study “The Father of Israel: Trusting God’s Promises.” Newcomers always welcome. Study guides available at Grapevine. Room 205. Contact: Martha Strauss 703.319.7050.

**11:00 am**

**Berean:** 8/14/08 – 8/23/09 “Through the Bible in 48 Sessions.” Class sessions begin with a 30 minute video lecture and are followed by discussion. Drop-ins welcome! Room 203/204. Coordinators: Esther and Duane Harder.


**ESOL Bible Study (English for Speakers of Other Languages)** For intermediate and advanced adult students from every country. Room 317. Coordinators: Shun and Doris Ling.

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- Chris Hammond
- Shannon Jordan
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- J. Kerry Wilkerson
- Terry Sisk
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- Daryl Wright
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- Elizabeth Foskey
- Kim Snyder
- Kayla Gray
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- Sheila Breuer
- Martha Strauss 703.319.7050

**Website**

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**Worship Bulletin**

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Sermons are available anytime at www.viennapres.org under worship

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**VPC Core Beliefs**

As a disciple-making community, we believe . . .

Jesus is Lord
Scripture is our authority
Everyone is called to discipleship

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**VPC Mission**

As a disciple-making community, we will . . .

Call people to faith
Equip people for discipleship
Send people to love and serve

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Give Generously

. . . both individually and in community

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