Sermon Series: God’s Big Story

God’s Pass Over
Exodus 12:21-27

October 19, 2008
Sunday Worship 8:00

Prelude
Terry Sisk, organist

Welcome

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Holy Is The Lord
Chris Tomlin

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▲ Prayer of Adoration

▲ Hymn #438
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty
NICAEA

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Worship Song
I Give You My Heart
Reuben Morgan

This is my desire, to honor You. Lord with all my heart I worship You.
All I have within me I give You praise. All that I adore is in You.

Lord I give You my heart, I give You my soul. I live for You alone, every breath that I take,
Every moment I’m awake Lord have Your way in me. (repeat)

▲ Congregation standing, as able
Please request large-print hymnals from ushers
Assistive listening devices are available in the balcony from the Sound Technician
Minute for Witness 
Michelle Rahal

Anthem: 
Bless the Broken Road 
Doug Traxler and Burt LeJune 
Bobby, Hanna & Hummon

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer 

Offertory: 
My Life Is In Your Hands 
Youth Choir 
Carol Cymbala

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication 
Hymn #592

Children dismissed for new Bridges class

Scripture: Exodus 12:21-27

Sermon 
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Hymn 
Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) 
Chris Tomlin

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me! 
I once was lost, but now I'm found, Was blind, but now I see. 
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved. 
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(chorus) 
My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior has ransomed me 
And like a flood His mercy rains, Unending love, amazing grace.

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Kyrie
Sanctuary Choir
Vierne

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Children’s Message
Rita Lockwood

Offertory
Come as the Dove, Amy Prussing Lochhaas, Flute Solo
Exsultate Handbells
Wiltse

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Grieving: The family and friends of Ruth Knee, Kristina Schenk (mother), Tom Katrinik (wife, friend of Ele Woglam)

Hospitalized: 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: Linda Lowrey

Ill or Convalescing: Cecilia Baldwin, Frances Brown, Mary Carter, Bill Baughman, Sam Crawford, Marge Cremer, Lily Eldridge, Dick Hutcheson, Larry Kennedy, Irma Kerr, Jim Larson, 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 Rutkiewicz’s friend Ellie, Dineke Shirley’s brother, Jane Sibley’s mother, Mary Ann Singlaub’s mother & stepmother, Dave Smith’s sister, Tricia Stevely’s mother, & her friends Lloyd & Leanne, Bev Streau’s friend Bonnie, Tom Sutton’s sister, Leslie Vereide’s stepfather, Pamela Vining’s friend Linda, Gerri Webb’s cousin Ken, Lori Wieneck’s friend John, Mary Wisenbaugh’s friend Patti

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

Congratulations to: Shelly Vogan & Hunter Post who Married at VPC on October 11th. Shelly is the daughter Of Gary & June Vogan.


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.
Is your family looking for a way to serve this fall? Listed below are projects that you and your children can become involved in to help those who are hungry, homeless or incarcerated.

**October** is VPC’s month to help with infant care needs for Fairfax Area Christian Emergency and Transitional Services (FACETS). If you or your group is interested, contact Sheila.Breuer@viennapres.org for more information.

**Our Daily Bread** is collecting non-perishable food items from the VPC community and delivering them to homeless families in Northern Virginia. See page 11 of the bulletin to see how you can help provide food for needy families or email Matt Stockburger at mstock_w@yahoo.com.

**CROP Hunger Walk** will be held **November 9th**. See page 8 of the bulletin to find out more information on how you can be a part of this event!

**Emmanuel Lutheran Church and VPC** will be joining together for **Hypothermia Prevention Week**! We are beginning preparations for the housing and feeding of approximately 40 people each day and we invite you to share the experience from November 23 – 30! If you want to help email Karen Covell at kkcovell@mindspring.com.

**Project Angel Tree**, a Christian program providing Christmas gifts for children of incarcerated parents/grandparents, is looking for VPC families or groups to adopt an entire family. These families live outside the greater Washington area, so delivering the gifts will require the group to mail or drive them directly to the families. If your family/group wishes to adopt a family and provide 2-3 gifts for each child and a "thank you" for the caregiver, please contact Tricia Hine at PHine@hotmail.com or 703.863.4590.

**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

Congregational Meeting TODAY!

A Congregational Meeting will be held today, 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 THIS WEEK to begin a six-week journey of the study of Exodus. Sign-ups will be held TODAY 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 THIS WEEK. 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 after church services to receive study materials.

Volunteers Needed for Halloween Parade Outreach Dinner!

We need volunteers for this year’s cook-out dinner and outreach activities in the church parking lot during the Town of Vienna's Halloween Parade, which attracts hundreds of residents from the community.

This year's parade is Wednesday, Oct 29, rain or shine, beginning at 7 pm and, from 5:30 - 7 pm, an eat-in or take-out hot dog dinner will be available in VPC’s parking lot.

To volunteer to help with food, greeting and passing out literature, phone the church office at 703.938.9050.

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

Learning to Love Your Story: The Conversation Continues! TODAY Women’s Koffee Klatch - "Sharing Our Stories" Lower Level from 11-12N. Refreshments provided! Come-listen-tell.

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.

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 8:30 am, return 5:00 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 Dec 10th Christmas Luncheon at Marco Polo restaurant.

SWATT will sponsor a trip to the Newseum on Thursday, Nov. 20, 2008. The cost will be $15.50. There is a cafeteria available in the Newseum for lunch. Sign up sheet is in the narthex.

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.

VPC Widows and Widowers Luncheon on Saturday, Oct. 25, 2008. Meet at the Olive Garden Restaurant on Route 7 at noon. RSVP to Irene Stadick 703.938.1570

Men’s Fellowship Dinner on Saturday, Nov. 5, at 7PM in the Great Hall. Pete James will be the speaker. Please RSVP to Dan Shaw dlshaw69@verizon.net or 703.255.0799 by Nov. 2nd

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Bookstore Manager: We are pleased to announce that Anna Whiston-Donaldson has accepted the Grapevine Books manager position. Anna and her husband Tim are long time members of VPC. Anna is currently serving on Session and has been very involved in Small Group Ministry. She is also helping coordinate the Women’s Retreat in 2009. Thank you for taking time to welcome Anna to her new staff role.

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 Clare Maynard@viennapres,org 814.234.3867 or tammycolwell@verizon.net 703.938.1570.

The next P.W. Council Meeting will be Tuesday, October 21 at 9:30 am in room 203.

Celebrate the Camping Ministry of Steve & Robin Cort! Sunday, Nov 9, 3:00 – 5:00 pm. Steve and Robin will be leaving at the end of the year to follow God’s call. They are grateful for the opportunity to have served at Krislund for thirteen years. In appreciation, the Krislund Joint Camp & Conference Committee is holding a celebration event in the Retreat Center at Krislund and everyone is invited. To RSVP or ask questions: Tammy Colwell at 814.234.3867 or tammycolwell@verizon.net.

Gently-used books for sale in the second floor hallway. Great variety and selection. Proceeds go to support the Perkins Memorial Library and Resource Center.
Announcements

Dan Allender’s books are on display and available for checkout at the Perkins Memorial Library and Resource Center, second floor main hallway. Check for open hours on Sundays, Mondays, and Thursdays.

“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!

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. 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)


Middle School Youth Group will not meet this Friday (Oct 24). ALL are encourage to attend the "Sunday Night Fever" costume party on Oct 26. Details are below.

Middle and High School students - start checking out your parents closets for some awesome Disco attire. Student Ministries is hosting the 4th annual costume party on Oct 26, 5:30 – 8 pm, in the Underground. There will be prizes for the best Disco costume. Come do "The Hustle" as we convert the Underground into "Sunday Night Fever!" We’ll be collecting $5 donations for the Lamb Center at the door. Bring your friends to this great event!

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.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

VPC Special Music Programs – Mark your calendars now!

TODAY, 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

Glorious Sounds 2008, Dec 21, 4 pm & 7 pm: It's not too early to make plans now!! We're doing two services on the last weekend before Christmas. By Dec 21st, Glorious Sounds will be the last Christmas Celebration of 2008. Get your family and friends ready to attend and come early, we are expecting standing room only for both services.
**Announcements**

**Children’s and Music Ministries have volunteer positions available!** Carol Choir (k-1st grade): Director, Accompanist (accomp. in Jan); Psalm Psingers (2nd-3rd grade): Accompanist. Please contact Gail Allen, gailallen@cox.net, with questions. We are also looking for a list of musically inclined people who would be willing to come in at the last minute as substitute directors/accompanists. Please contact Lance.Vining@viennapres.org if you are interested in helping.

**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!

**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.

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

**Searchers in the Word Adult Class:** Do you ask, “Is everything useless? Where is the profit in that? What about arbitrary gain or loss of wealth? Lack of security and well-being? Pessimism and cynicism?” The ancient Old Testament book of Ecclesiastes gives insights on these issues. Join us, Sundays, 9:30 am, in Dick Eagan’s office for an in-depth study. Contact: Marion Billington 703.255.9179 or George Marling 703.281.2025

**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:
- TODAY – 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/write 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.

**Volunteers are needed to cover the Perkins Memorial Library and Resource Center** on the second floor main hallway on Sunday mornings, 9 – 11 am. You will be trained on what is involved. Contact George Marling (gmarling@cox.net or 703.281.2025) or Librarian@viennapres.org.

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

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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:** An in-depth study of the Old Testament book of Ecclesiastes, a message for our cynical times, with the Bible as the main text, plus written and audio commentaries. 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:** 9/14/08 – 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.