Sunday Worship 8:00

Prelude
Terry Sisk, organist

Welcome

Hymn
O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come all ye faithful Joyful and triumphant
O come ye O come ye to Bethlehem Come and behold Him Born the King of angels

Chorus
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

Sing choirs of angels Sing in exultation
O sing all ye bright Hosts of heav'n above
Glory to God All glory in the highest (Chorus)

Yea Lord we greet Thee Born this happy morning
Jesus to Thee be all glory giv'n Word of the Father Now in flesh appearing (Chorus)

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Scripture
Isaiah 7:14

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath
Worship Song
You Are Holy

Men:
You are holy, You are mighty
You are worthy, Worthy of praise
I will follow, I will listen
I will love you, All of my days

Women:
You are holy, You are mighty
You are worthy, Worthy of praise
I will follow, I will listen
I will love you, All of my days

I will sing to
And worship
The King who is worthy
I will love and adore Him
And I will bow down before Him
And I will sing to and worship the King who is worthy
And I will love and adore him
And I will bow down before Him

(Both:)
You're my Prince of Peace and I will live my life for you.

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Minute for Witness

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory
Go Tell it On the Mountain

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Hymn #592

Children in the Bridges Sunday School class are dismissed.

Sermon
Immanuel
Sermon Series: God’s Big Story

Hymn #23
Angels We Have Heard on High

Benediction and Postlude
Sunday Worship 9:30 & 11:00

Prelude
He is Born

Welcome

Call to Worship
Let All Mortal Flesh

Scripture
Isaiah 7:14

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Hymn #41
O Come, All Ye Faithful

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Worship Song
You Are Holy

Men:
You are holy, You are mighty
You are worthy, Worthy of praise
I will follow, I will listen
I will love you, All of my days

Women:
You are holy, You are mighty
You are worthy, Worthy of praise
I will follow, I will listen
I will love you, All of my days

Music continues on next page.

Please request large-print hymnals from ushers
Assistive listening devices are available in the balcony from the Sound Technician
Men:
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And worship
The King who is worthy
I will love and adore Him
And I will bow down before Him
And I will sing to and worship the King who
is worthy
And I will love and adore him
And I will bow down before Him

(Both:)
You're my Prince of Peace and I will live my
life for you.

Women:
You are Lord of Lords, You are King of Kings
You are mighty God, Lord of everything
You're Emmanuel, You're the great "I AM"
You're the Prince of Peace, Who is the Lamb
You're the living God, You're my saving grace
You will reign forever, You are ancient of days
You're the Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End
You're my Savior, Messiah, Redeemer, and
friend

(Both:)
You're my Prince of Peace and I will live my life
for you.

Minute for Witness
Tommy Corcoran

Children's Message
Daryl Wright

Children are dismissed for Sunday School

Offertory
Comfort, Comfort Ye My People
Exsultate Handbells; Amy Lochhass, Flute Solo
arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

Sermon
Immanuel
Pastor E. Stanley Ott
Sermon Series: God's Big Story

Hymn #23
Angels We Have Heard on High
GLORIA

Benediction

Postlude
Terry Sisk, organist
Intercessory Prayers

Grieving: The family of Leon T. Miles; The family of Ralph Worth; Lisa Gibb (mother); Jean Hamill (brother); Sarah Polchow (grandfather); The family of the Rev. Louis H. Evans, Jr.

Hospitalized: Helen Franchois's mother; Paula Lohrman's cousin-in-law; Chip Monie's mother; Emily Mandell (2)

Facing Tests or Surgery: Linda Colbert's friend Keiko; Arayanna Darst's friend Howard; Kathryn Gilchrist's brother

Homebound: Fred Wilburn

Ill or Convalescing: Cecilia Baldwin; Cecily Bornemann; Jerry Brentlinger; Christine Calabrese; Ellie Cammer; Mary Carter; Sam Crawford; Marge Cremer; Kasen Ertel; Dick Hutcheson; Larry Kennedy; Charles Killion; Pat Palmer; Bill Phillips; Jerry Schnell; Eric Stephens; Kathy Van Meter; Hilary Viscount; Jane Vitray; June Vogan; Bill Windle

Family and Friends: Jeanne Bingham's aunt; Bob & Joanne Bower's granddaughter Annie (3) and their friend Ralph; Bill Christopher's brother; Linda Colbert's friend Tucky; Jan Crerie's stepmother; Beth Crowder's brother; Arayanna Darst's friends Joshua (5), Dave, Scott, Doug & Margaret Hodge, the Jones family; Bill Downer's father; Karen Dunlop's sister; Nancy Ensey's friend Cyndy; Kathryn Gilchrist's cousin; Gary Kanady's brother; Linda Kemple's cousin; May Kepler's stepmother; Ruth Klug's mother; Ron Kuykendall's sister; Beatriz LaFuent's father; Stella Lansing's mother; Amy Larsen's student Santi (8); Kathy Leggette's brother; Lindsey Loving's uncle; Emma Lynch's father; Allen & Suzie Martin's grandson Wyatt (8) and Suzie's friend Marcia; Jenn Mattson's uncle; Vicky McLaine's cousin-in-law Annie; Paige Meade's friends Abagale and Michael; Kerry Nikolich's mother; Lois Poland's mother; Becky Rutkiewic's friend Ellie; Carla Schnell's friend Millie; Susan Scott's daughter; Dineke Shirley's brother; Jane Sibley's mother; Mary Ann Singlaub's mother; Mary Ann Singlaub's stepmother; Dave Smith's sister; JC Stover's friends Joe & Nancy, Shannon, and Bouavanh; Bev Stearn's friend Bonnie and Louise; Tom Sutton's sister; Dottie Swink's son John; Joyce Hickson-Szten's & Emil Szten's daughter; Leslie Vereide's stepfather (HOSPICE); Pamela Vining's friends Dianna and Linda; Malinda & Kurt Virkaitis's friend Mary; Lori Wiencek's friend John; Kerry Wilkerson's mother; Dawn Watts's friend Suzie

Other: Greta Anderson; Kristin Brown; Greg Coats; Bev Strean's goddaughter, and her friend Judy; Leslie Vereide's mother; Dawn Watts’s friend Suzie

Congratulations to: Dia Pyles & Cameron Hays who were married at VPC on December 6th. Dia is the daughter of Diane Pyles; Cam is the son of Brian & Marian Rian Hays. We also congratulate Tim & Lindsey Champney on the birth of Cora Mary Champney on September 21. Judy & Arthur Duhai are the proud grandparents.


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

Need Prayer for Yourself or Someone You Love?

USE the cards in the Friendship Pad 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; or CALL the church office at 703.938.9050, ext. 301; or SEND an email to david.jordan-haas@viennapres.org or enter a prayer request via the 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.
Make Plans Now

Glorious Sounds of Christmas Concert
Sunday, Dec 21, 4 & 7 pm

Our choirs, orchestra, brass and strings—over 165 musicians in all—will present a delightful traditional Christmas program, including an opportunity for you and your guests to sing well-loved Christmas Carols. Escape the hustle and bustle of the Christmas rush and come see why overwhelming demand last year has required that we present two performances this year. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite family, friends and neighbors to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

Christmas Eve
Wednesday, Dec 24

4 & 5:15 pm
Live Nativity for families with young children
Childcare through age 3

7 pm
Candlelight Service
with Sanctuary Choir
Childcare through age 6

8:45 pm
Candlelight Service
with Sanctuary Choir
No childcare available

10:30 pm
Candlelight Communion Service
with Youth Choir
No childcare available
You Won’t Want To Miss!

Children’s Christmas Concert
TODAY at 4 pm

Our choir kids, tiny through elementary-aged, will present special family-friendly Christmas music. This is a special treat. Please plan to attend the concert in the sanctuary on Dec 14 at 4 pm.

PITS Parents Holiday Potluck
Dec 19, 7:30 pm

Calling all Parents of Infants and Toddlers (PITS): Mark your calendar, call your sitter and plan to have some fun and fellowship at this annual parents-only appetizer/dessert potluck at the home of Dean and Linda Manson. We would love to see some new faces too!
RSVP to Mansonlin@yahoo.com or 703.622.2444.

The VPC Web Team is pleased to introduce our brand new website!
www.viennapres.org

Come by the Great Hall today between services…

Get a look at the site.
Learn some navigation tips.
Learn how to find what’s important to you!

We hope you will visit the website often to learn more about VPC as a disciple-making church, as well as to find opportunities for you and your loved ones to take the next steps in your spiritual journeys.

We also invite your prayers that God will use this communication tool to draw others to our community.

Take a look…Enjoy!
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

Christian Cancer Companions Christmas Celebration:
Dec. 21, 12:15-1:45 pm in the church parlor.
Questions? Call Rita Lockwood, 703.573.6168 or
e-mail luckylister3@cox.net.

SWATT (55+) Trip to Toby's Dinner Theater:
Join us Jan. 21 for a VPC bus trip to Columbia, MD.
We will enjoy a buffet lunch and hilarious afternoon
at “Midlife Crisis.” Paid reservations ($40 check
made to VPC) required by Dec. 21. Al Grouge,
703.620.9360 or bonnienal@aol.com.

Save the dates: The next New Member Seminar will
be in three parts: Saturday, Jan 31 (8:30 am–1:30 pm)
and Sundays, Feb 1 (10:45 am–noon) and Feb 8
(11 am–noon). Stay tuned for more details. Call
Linda Kemple in the church office (703.938.9050)
with questions or to register

Your Prayerful Response to God’s Plan for VPC is Important!

Thanks to all who have submitted their estimate-of-giving pledge cards toward the 2009 Ministry and Missions
budget. If you have not yet participated, please prayerfully fill out a Pledge Card and turn it in. We need
everyone’s commitment to help God’s plan for VPC’s Ministry and Missions to move forward. Our planning
process depends on how God is moving in the giving of the congregation, so we need to hear from you.

The other prayerful response opportunity is year-end 2008 giving. December has historically been a big giving
month at VPC and this year we have the big number of $837,000 needed to make budget. If you have not
fulfilled your church giving for this year and plan to do so, please do not wait. God is moving in the life of VPC.
It takes the stewardship of your God-given time, talents and financial resources to keep vibrant the Disciple-
making Outreach, Worship, Education, Fellowship, Care, and Missions activities of the church.

We have worked for three years to make “Giving Generously” a more spiritual exercise of personal prayer,
discernment, communication and congregational response.

Any giving questions, contact Rob McLallen, ext 119.

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Administrative Assistant Position Available in VPC Weekday Preschool: The position is 6-9 hours weekly between the hours of 9 am and Noon and requires experience with Excel and Word. Please call Bonnie Downs, 703.255.1419 for more information.

"Live Faithfully" Stories: Do you know the stories behind some of the memorials around VPC? Do you have, or have you had, a spiritual mentor who was part of VPC? We will be compiling this type of testimony and invite you to join us. Submit stories to Linda Kemple at linda.kemple@viennapres.org.

Please, no VPC parking in the Spokes east side lot. We need to respect their limited employee and customer parking spaces. Thank you!

Grapevine Books is your source for Bibles, gift books, ornaments, fair trade items and the latest Christian writings. Be sure to check out our new baby items.

Special evening hours for Christmas: Today (3:30-5:30) and Dec. 21 (5:00-8:30). Stop by for details!

What is the Christmas Joy Offering? A Presbyterian tradition for almost seventy years, the Christmas Joy Offering is one of the four special offerings designated by the General Assembly of the PCUSA Church to provide direct ways of supporting specific causes that help those in need. Please use the Christmas Joy Offering envelope or designate on your check Christmas Joy Offering.

Thank You: From Emmanuel Lutheran Church to VPC for helping meet the needs of the homeless from Nov. 23-30. “Your generosity overwhelmed us and touched the lives of 240 visitors. A special thank you to Karen Covell, VPC’s coordinator.”

HIGHPOINT (Children’s Ministries)

Scripture Readers Needed for Christmas Eve
We’re seeking 12 children (grades 2-4) to read short scripture passages at either the 4 or 5:15 pm services on Dec. 24. Those children will need to be fairly fluent readers after practice. Please contact clare.maynard@viennapres.org as soon as possible. Children must be able to attend rehearsal on Dec. 21, 11 am-noon.

Children’s and Music Ministries have volunteer positions available! We need an accompanist for Psalm Psingers (grades 2-3). We meet Sunday evenings, 5-6 pm, during the school year (on non-FCPS holiday weekends). Not able to make a long-term commitment? We could use your musical talent to provide back-up if the regular director/accompanist is unable to come. Please contact lance.vining@viennapres.org for more information.

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Young Adults Bible study will resume Jan 7, 2009. Mark your calendars for our Christmas party on Friday, Dec 19, at 8 pm at Bert and Gerri Webb’s house. Come and enjoy some food, Christmas sweets, music, games and merriment! Questions? Contact kelly.gould@viennapres.org.

New Women's Bible Study starting on Tuesday nights in January! Interested in an in-depth Bible study? Come explore the Old Testament Tabernacle and see how it relates to our walk with God today. We will work through Bible teacher Beth Moore's interactive video study: A Woman's Heart; God's Dwelling Place. Meeting time: 7:30 - 9:15 pm. [January 13 -May 19.] Books are on sale in the bookstore. Contact LeslieVereide@msn.com if interested so we can know how many workbooks to order.
Announcements

The UNDERGROUND (Student Ministries)

White Elephant Christmas Party tonight! High School students, come join us for the last Youth Group of 2008! Get new stuff! Wrap a gently used item you no longer want (the funnier the better) and bring it to our White Elephant Christmas Party tonight from 5:30 to 8:00 in the Underground.

Middle School Christmas Movie and Game Night is coming. Friday December 19th from 6:45pm to 10:00pm in the Underground come play games, watch a hilarious movie and bring your pillows for the pillow fight! (No feather pillows please!) This will be our last Youth Group for 2008.

Confirmation Class registration will soon begin for all high school students who wish to participate in this year’s Confirmation Class. There will be a mandatory parent and student interest meeting on Sunday, Jan 11, 2009 at 12:30 pm in the Underground. Questions? Contact Barry Hill barry.hill@viennapres.org

MS Ski and Tubing Day, Jan 20, 2009. Watch www.vpcstudents.org for details


Christian Cancer Companions was formed a few years ago by members of VPC who are all cancer survivors and felt called to outreach to individuals newly diagnosed with cancer. If you know of others who would benefit from this support, feel free to invite them. Questions? Rita Lockwood, 703.573.6168 or luckylister3@cox.net.

GriefShare is a special seminar and support group for people grieving the loss of someone close. Meetings are at VPC on Sundays, 6-7:30 pm, through today. You may begin attending the group at any time. Informational brochures are available in the narthex and the Gathering Space.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

The annual Committee for Helping Others (CHO) food drive will be held through Dec 31. Non-perishable food donations can be placed in the box across the hall from the office on the second floor. We are partnering with the Northeast Vienna Citizen's Association to supply food, thru CHO, to local families in need during the holidays.

Christmas Cards for the Troops: Got an extra Christmas card? Please feel free to drop a card (no envelopes necessary) in the S.O.S. box in the narthex either today. They will be mailed to troops deployed overseas. Sponsored by Operation S.O.S. (Support our Servicemen/women) ministry.

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.

More service opportunities listed at www.viennapres.org/connections.
## 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:** 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. Room 312. Coordinator: Marion Billington

- **Partners With Christ:** We are studying "The Father of Israel: Trusting God's Promises." Newcomers always welcome. Study guides available at Grapevine Books. 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 are welcome! Room 203/204. Coordinators: Esther and Duane Harder

  - **Apprentices:** Each Sunday during Advent, class discussion and reflection will center around music and scripture text from a portion of Handel's “Messiah”. Drop-ins are welcome. Room 205. Coordinator: Connie Edens

  - **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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**Pastors**

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- Glenda Simpkins Hoffman
- David Jordan-Haas
- E. Stanley Ott

**Music Director**

- L. Thomas Vining
- J. Kerry Wilkerson

**Organist**

- Terry Sisk

**Children’s Ministries Director**

- Clare Maynard
- Daryl Wright

**Student Ministries Director**

- Barry Hill
- Elizabeth Foskey

**Asst. Children’s Ministries Director**

- Kayla Gray

**Preschool Director**

- Bonnie Downs
- Phil Kratovil

**Asst. Preschool Director**

- Sheila Breuer
- Barb Jones

**Children’s Ministries Coordinator**

- Barb Jones

**Interim Director of Finance**

- Rob McLallen
- Dick Eagan

**Executive Director**

- Dick Eagan

**Website**

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