Vienna Presbyterian Church
A Disciple-Making Community

Sermon Series: God’s Big Story
Strengthening Souls
Acts 14:21-28

August 23, 2009
Prelude
Stand By Me

Welcome

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.
I will sing to and worship
The King who is worthy.
I will love and adore Him,
I will bow down before Him.

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.
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 are Alpha, Omega, beginning and end.
You’re my Savior, Messiah, Redeemer and friend.

All:
You’re my Prince of Peace and I will live my life for You.

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Prayer of Adoration

Hymn #155
Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Anthem
Great, Great Joy

MLC
King, Leiber, Stoller

Imboden and Rhoton

Chris Hammond

DARWALL’S 148TH

Crerie

Please request large-print hymnals from ushers

Assistive listening devices are available in the balcony from the Sound Technician
Minute for Witness

Sean Parker

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

(8:00) Children in the Bridges Sunday School class are dismissed.

Children’s Message (9:30 & 11:00)

Daryl Wright

Offertory

Jesus is the Way

MLC

Wright

Scripture

Acts 14:21-28

Sermon

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Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

Hymn

We Are Called to be God’s People

AUSTRIAN HYMN

We are called to be God’s people, showing by our lives his grace,
One in heart and one in spirit, sign of hope for all the race.
Let us show how he has changed us, and remade us as his own,
Let us share our life together as we shall around his throne.

We are called to be God’s servants, working in his world today;
Taking his own task upon us, all his sacred words obey.
Let us rise, then, to his summons, dedicate to him our all,
That we may be faithful servants, quick to answer now his call.

We are called to be God’s prophets, speaking for the truth and right,
Standing firm for godly justice, bringing evil things to light.
Let us seek the courage needed, our high calling to fulfill,
That the world may know the blessing of the doing of God’s will.

Benediction

Postlude

Terry Sisk, organ
Intercessory Prayers

Grieving: Neal Abdullah (father-in-law); The family of Bob Baltzer; The family of Tom Coldwell (former member); The family & friends of George Taylor Morris; Kurt Riegelman (father); Patty Yoder (aunt)

Hospitalized: David Russell; Barbara Carlson's father; Arayanna Darst's uncle; Ronniejean Irvin's mother; Michelle Lord's friend Rachel

Facing Tests or Surgery: Emily Anderson's friend Dwayne; Lisa Gibb's uncle and her friend Maddy (2); Lee & Pat Planakis's friend Opal

Homebound: Fred Wilburn

Ill or Convalescing: Carole Burgess; Isabelle Davis; Marieke Ertel; Chuck Garland; Rae Harpe; Myrna Ives; Mary Kanady; Irma Kerr (Hospice); Charles Killion; Jeanne Larsen; John (Jack) Lennman (Hospice); Rita Lockwood; Tom Lyle (Hospice); Alex Main; Mary Martin (Hospice); Laura Nickell (11); Helene Oliver (Hospice); Bill Phillips; David & Virginia Russell; Jerry Schnell; Courtney Sweeten; Mark Tracz; Kathy Van Meter (Hospice); Bill Windle

Family and Friends: Chip Bachmann's mother and father; Rick Baldwin's sister; Ruthanne Buterbaugh's cousin; Pamela Crippen's mother; Beth Crowder's brother; Donna DeLanoy's mother; Bill Downer's friend Lynn; Nina Graves's brother-in-law; Melissa Jensen's mother; Linda Kemple's stepmother and cousin; Phil Kratovil's mother; Amy Larsen's students, Santi (8) and Shannon (7); Kate Lund's son; Vicki McLaine's son-in-law; Heather Mercer's friend Josiah (18); Debby Scozzie's sister-in-law; Skip Scozzie's mother; Mary Ann Singlaub's mother; Ele & Jim Woglom's friends, John, Ruby & Anne Louise; Elaine Wright's friend Marion

Other: Greg Coats; Chris Sweeten; Pastor Pete & Chris James, on Sabbatical

Missions Prayer of the Week:
International: Dave Robinson, World Vision
National: Kayla Gray Allen, CCO
Local: Capital Area Food Bank, Washington, DC

Rejoice! Jim & Sue Merfa are happy to announce the wedding of Valerie Ann Merfa & Kgosolta Sonnyboy Khumalo in Khanysile, Johannesburg, South Africa on August 8, 2009.


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, x 301; or
SEND an email to david.jordan-haas@viennapres.org or enter a prayer request via the website www.viennapres.org

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 up to four weeks but can certainly be extended upon request.
End of Summer Service and Celebration
Sunday of Labor Day Weekend

10 am. WORSHIP – SANCTUARY
(No 8, 9:30 or 11 am service)

12 N. GO & SERVE – COMMUNITY
(Everyone is encouraged to sign up in advance
Sunday mornings or at www.viennapres.org/ESS)

4 pm. GATHER & CELEBRATE –
GREAT HALL
(Music, food, fun, and fellowship)

Frequently Asked Questions:

Where should I park Sunday morning?
Please reserve the parking lot outside the church for seniors, those with special needs and families with
young children. Visit www.viennapres.org/parking to find convenient parking nearby.

I won’t be here Labor Day weekend. Can I serve another Sunday?
Yes. Please visit the sign-up table to find out about ongoing needs in our community.

Do you have projects for families with young children, middle schoolers, high schoolers?
There is a wide range of projects for all ages and abilities. For a complete list visit the sign-up table.

Questions? Contact sheila.breuer@viennapres.org or x113.
**WELCOME 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, then join us for Coffee Connection held between services in the Great Hall. We hope you will visit with us again.

For more information about these events and announcements plus much more, visit www.viennapres.org.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**ATTENTION**—there will be ONE worship service Labor Day weekend, Sept. 6 at 10 am. For more details about the day, see page 5.

“Artists Helping Others,” a three-day show and sale to be held in the Great Hall, on Friday, Aug. 28, 6 - 9 pm, Saturday, Aug. 29, 12 - 4 pm and Sunday, Aug. 30, 9 am -1 pm. Proceeds benefit CHO.

Missions Forum, Sunday, Aug. 30, 12:45 – 2:00 pm: Reaching the Unreached in North Africa. Hear Dave and Angie McCormick share about their work in room 203/204. Reserve a sandwich lunch ($5) by Aug. 27. Contact Molly.Quackenbush@viennapres.org. Childcare provided for ages 6 and under by calling x351, no later than 48 hours prior to this event.

ESS Outreach Opportunity: Do you have an unchurched friend you’d like to reach? Invite him or her to join you for lunch, Sept. 6. Doris McMillon will speak on “The Search for Significance,” from 11:30 am-1:00 pm at Anita’s Restaurant in Vienna. Cost is $15 and free for guests. Contact/registration: phil.kratovil@viennapres.org or x115.

Small Group Leader Training. Jesus led a small group to equip his disciples to become servant-leaders. Pastor Glenda invites you to a 4-week study to become a Small Group servant-leader Tuesdays, 7-9 pm, Sept. 8-29 in room 205. Contact ginni.richards@viennapres.org or x123.

**SWATT kickoff potluck luncheon**, Sept. 9 at 12:15 pm in the Great Hall. No reservation required. Bring a friend! Learn about this year’s planned speakers, programs and trips for folks 50+. Contact Al Grouge 703.620.9360.

Join **SWATT on Sept. 20** for the 5 pm premiere of *Spies in Crinoline* at the Cinema Arts Theater, and dinner at the Old Country Buffet. VPC-er Karla Vernon produced/ appears in this adaptation of her novel about Fairfax City’s Antonia Ford, who spied for the Confederates. Contact Dee Anderson, ADSPECU@aol.com, 703.620.2032.

Next New Member Seminar for those wishing to join VPC will be Sept. 26 (8:30 am-12:30 pm) plus Sept. 27 (9:30 am- 12N). Contact Linda Kemple, 703.938.9050 to register or with questions. Childcare provided for ages 6 and under by calling x351, no later than 48 hours prior to this event.

**GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ESOL Registration for Adult Students**, Monday and Wednesday, Aug.31, Sept. 2, and 9, 9:15-11:15 am and Tuesday and Thursday, Sept. 1, 3, and 8, 7:30-9:00 pm on the 3rd floor Activity Center. Fee is $30 for the term. Childcare is free but offered on a limited basis. Contact Bonnie Grouge or Pam Gissendanner at x102.

**Children’s Ministries Urgently Seeking Teachers for the fall**! Contact clare.maynard@viennapres.org.

9:30 3s lead teacher (1-2 a month)
11:00 3s assistant teacher (twice a month)
4s assistant teacher (twice a month)

Children’s Ministries is looking for several adults or youths to help lead worship once a month at 11am for the fall. Ability to lead motions and engage children is essential. Contact clare.maynard@viennapres.org.

**Are you LinkedIn?** Bridgepoint, VPC’s Evangelism/Outreach Team, is on LinkedIn! Join us to connect with other like-minded folks, gain access to relevant resources and hear about upcoming events. Go to LinkedIn.com, join the site, click on “Groups” and request to join Bridgepoint Connections, or contact Phil at phil.kratovil@viennapres.org.
Announcements

MUSIC MINISTRIES

Annual Youth Worship Ministry Workshop, Aug. 29, 9 am—12N (note time change) in the sanctuary. The Youth Choir and Orchestra will lead worship at all three services on Sunday, Aug. 30. Information/registration, kerry.wilkerson@viennapres.org or x133.

Sanctuary Choir Fall Retreat. Saturday, Sept. 12, 8:15 am-1:00 pm at VPC marks the beginning of our choir ministry year—a time to regroup and for interested singers to meet other choir members and become part of the “family.” Breakfast and lunch will be served. Call Lance Vining x132.

HIGHPOINT (Children’s Ministries)

Summer Sunday School for elementary-aged children is on break. See the back cover for preschool and nursery class details.

Fall Sunday School begins September 13. Find out about our new K–4th grade curriculum and register your children for fall classes at www.viennapres.org/registernow. Contact clare.maynard@viennapres.org with questions.

the UNDERGROUND (Student Ministries)

Middle and high school students: Look for all new programs in the Underground for the 2009-2010 school year. Both the Underground AM (Sunday School) and the Underground PM (Youth Group) will kickoff Sunday, September 13.

CARE AND SUPPORT

A Great Way to Help a Hurting Friend: Know someone going through a difficult time? Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation trained to provide emotional and spiritual care to people who are hurting. It’s confidential, free and helpful.

Christian Cancer Companions are VPC members who are cancer survivors, and who reach out to individuals newly diagnosed with cancer. Contact Rita Lockwood, 703.573.6168 or luckylister3@cox.net.

GriefShare, a weekly seminar and support group for those grieving the death of a loved one, meets Sundays at 6 pm in room 205. (No meeting on 9/6.) Informational brochures are available on the Gathering Space wall, or contact Inajo Cox, 703.624.1747, or Bill & Sherrie Steinbach, 703.938.3106.

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

New Small Groups forming in October! Interested now, contact ginni.richards@viennapres.org.

Women’s Intergenerational Bible Study, 14-week study of Luke begins Tuesday, Sept. 15 from 9:30 – 11:30 am. Registration forms in the narthex. Information: Shannon Jordan, 703.956.6533, or shannonjordan1@verizon.net.

Young Adult Small Group meets Wednesdays, 7:30 pm, offsite. Contact: kelly.gould@viennapres.org or x112.

Readings on Acts. Pick up a commentary on the book of Acts to accompany the sermon series from the library on the 2nd floor. Also, there is huge selection of gently-used books in the 2nd-floor hallway outside the library. Paperbacks: $1 and hardcovers: $2. New arrivals daily—always something new.

More Study Opportunities listed at www.viennapres.org/study.

Adult Education Class descriptions meeting Sunday mornings are listed on the back of the bulletin.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday Morning Volunteer Administrators Needed for Fall. If you’re well-organized, have some money sense and enjoy talking to people, we’re looking for some extra help in Children’s Ministries on Sunday mornings. Contact clare.maynard@viennapres.org or x127.

ESOL Service Opportunity. You do not need to know another language to teach/tutor in the VPC English for Speakers of Other Languages program (ESOL). We have an urgent need for computer tutors for one hour per week. Contact bonnie.grouge@viennapres.org or x102.

More Service Opportunities listed at www.viennapres.org/serve.
Room Assignments

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Adult Education Classes

**9:30 am**

**Beyond Basics:** Selected sections of "Pilgrim's Progress," by John Bunyan in an updated version by L. Edward Hazelbaker, led by Jonathan Lochhaas. Order books from Grapevine Books. All are welcome. Rooms 203/204. Coordinator: Kate Lund.

**Friendship Class:** For adults with intellectual disabilities. Room 108C. Teachers: Emmy Parker, Helen Neely & Beth Gourley.

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

**Searchers in the Word:** An in-depth study of Jesus’ ministry in the Gospel of Mark, an action-filled narrative for practical living. The Bible is the main text, plus written and audio commentaries. Conference Room. Leader: Marion Billington.

**Partners With Christ:** Class resumes Sept. 13. If you have any questions, contact Martha Strauss, 703.319.7050.

**11:00 am**

**Berean:** "Hebrew Festivals and the Christian Faith - What every Christian should know about Jewish feast days." Drop-ins welcome! Rooms 203/204. Coordinators: Esther and Duane Harder.

**Apprentices:** Currently, we are studying and discussing the scripture and questions from the VPC daily devotional book, *Acts of a Disciple.* Please join us. Room 205. Coordinator: Connie Edens.