Prelude
All Hail King Jesus

Welcome

Hymn #257
Give Praise to the Lord

Prayer of Adoration
Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

Worship Song
Forever
Glenn Tomlin
Give thanks to the Lord
Our God and King
His love endures forever
He is good; He is above all things
His love endures forever
Sing praise, sing praise

With a mighty hand
And an outstretched arm
His love endures forever
For the life that has been reborn
His love endures forever
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Chorus
Forever God is faithful
Forever God is strong
Forever God is with us
Forever (Repeat)

From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever
And by the grace of God
We will carry on
His love endures forever
Sing praise, sing praise
Sing praise, sing praise (Chorus 2x)

His love endures forever (3x)
(Chorus 2x)
Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Anthem
He's Always Been Faithful
Youth Choir
arr. Wolaver

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Offertory
Better Than Life
Houghton

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
Hymn #592

Children in the Bridges class are dismissed.
Attention: Next week, Bridges students should go directly to class at 8 am.

Scripture
Acts 17:22-31

Sermon
Sermon Series: God’s Big Story
Pete James

Hymn #276
Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Benediction

Postlude
Great is the Lord
arr. Pethel
Sunday Worship 9:30 & 11:00

Prelude
Alla breve in E-Flat
Terry Sisk, organist
Lemmens

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Please request large-print hymnals from ushers
Assistive listening devices are available in the balcony from the Sound Technician
Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Anthem
How Amiable Are Thy Ways, O Lord
Sanctuary Choir
Vaughan Williams

The words are taken from Psalms 84 and 90.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Children’s Message

Children in Bridges and Gateways (9:30 only) are dismissed after the Children’s Message.
Attention: Next week, Bridges and Gateways students should go directly to class at 9:30 am.

Baptisms (11:00)
Lily Elizabeth Malekzadeh, child of Steve and Ann Malekzadeh
Lillian Boxley Wyte, child of Rob and Robin Wyte

Offertory
Your First Day In Heaven
Sanctuary Choir
Hamblen/Lister

Scripture
Acts 17:22-31

Sermon
Sermon Series: God’s Big Story
Pete James

Hymn #276
Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Benediction

Postlude
Carillon du Longpoint
Vierne
Intercessory Prayers

**Grieving:** The family of Helene Oliver; the family of David Russell; Sandy Brogan (father); Ted Davies (father); Thelma Ekmenkji (sister-former member Carmen Hazen); Al Grouge (brother-in-law); Ronniejean Irvin (mother); Betty Little (brother-in-law)

**Hospitalized:** Ted Davies's cousin; Michelle Lord's friend Rachel

**Facing Tests or Surgery:** Emily Anderson's friend Dwayne; Lisa Gibb's uncle and her friend Maddy (2); Kate Lund's son

**Ill or Convalescing:** Carmody Bornemann; Carole Burgess; Isabelle Davis; Bill Downer; Marieke Ertel; Chuck Garland; Cile Harker; Rae Harpe; Myrna Ives; Mary Kanady; Irma Kerr (Hospice); Charles Killion; Rita Lockwood; Tom Lyle (Hospice); Madeline Main; Mary Martin (Hospice); Jim McCoy; Laura Nickell (11); Andrew Phillips (7); Bill Phillips; Virginia Russell; Jerry Schnell; Courtney Sweeten; Sim Taylor; Neil Thompson (missionary supported by VPC); Mark Tracz; Kathy Van Meter (Hospice); Bill Windle

**Homebound:** Mary Berry

**Family and Friends:** Chip Bachmann's mother and father; Rick Baldwin's sister; Ruthanne Buteraugh's cousin; Pamela Crippen's mother; Beth Crowder's brother; Arayanna Darst's uncle and her friend Margaret; Donna DeLanoy's mother; Bill Downer's friend Lynn; Teri Dungan's friend Courtney; Jennifer Fleisher's Aunt Patty; Lisa Fritz's father; Nina Graves's brother-in-law; Linda Kemple's stepmother

and cousin; Valerie King's nephew Eric; Phil Kratovil's mother; Amy Larsen's students, Santi (8) and Shannon (7); Susan Leitson's brother-in-law and nephew Michael; Linda Lyon's son-in-law; Vicky McLaine's cousin and her friend Marcia; Debby Scozzie's sister-in-law; Mary Ann Singlaub's mother; Pamela Vining's mother; Ele & Jim Woglom's friends, John, Ruby & Anne Louise; Elaine Wright's friend Marion

**Other:** Greg Coats; Chris Sweeten

**Congratulations to:** Catherine White & Joe Blessing, who were married at VPC on Sept. 5.


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**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.
Today, we invite you to attend kickoffs for:

► Adult Education Classes
► HighPoint (Children’s Ministries)
► the Underground A.M. and P.M. (Student Ministries)
► Children’s Choirs
► Youth Handbell Choirs

Also, for those new to faith, please join our complimentary luncheon with Pastor Pete and Phil Kratovil. Reservations not required.

See pages 9 and 12 for details.

Join a Small Group…
…to share life, study God’s Word, and pray, care and serve together.

Sign up in person every Sunday through Oct. 4 for our church-wide study, “Acts of a Disciple,” which runs Oct. 4-Nov. 23. Pick up a devotional booklet in the narthex (its cover has the pew image above). Men’s, women’s, mixed adult and couples groups are available.

To register online, visit: www.viennapres.org/smallgroups/

Men’s Outreach Dinner
-- Eat More Steak!

Friday, Sept. 25, 6:30 pm
Great Hall

We’ll be grilling steaks and listening to Ben Case of the National Rifle Association. Bring any unchurched friend, neighbor or co-worker for free!

To register: www.viennapres.org/steakout or e-mail phil.kratovil@viennapres.org
THANK YOU!
You made cards for soldiers, washed cars, gave out water on the bike trail, collected grocery donations, and myriad other acts of love and service.

Thanks to all who participated last Sunday, in the forefront as well as behind the scenes, to make this first-ever End of Summer Service a success!

Remember, ESS doesn't have to be a once-a-year event. I encourage all to continue to serve individually, with your small group, through Sunday School, and with friends outside of church.

Sheila Breuer,
Director of Missions
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 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.

NOTE: NEXT SUNDAY, SEPT. 20, THE MINUTE FOR WITNESS AND SERMON TOPIC WILL NOT BE APPROPRIATE FOR CHILDREN; ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHILDREN AND YOUNGER WILL NOT BE IN WORSHIP SERVICES. FULL-HOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL BE AVAILABLE. THANK YOU.

TODAY:

HighPoint (Children’s Ministries): Fall programs—including our exciting new curriculum for K-4th graders, “Power Up!”—kick off today with classes for children through grade 6. Please see page 12 for classroom assignments.

New Programs in the Underground:
• Sunday School begins at 9:30 for both middle and high school students. Come enjoy food, fellowship, praise, prayer and a great message.
• Sunday night brings Youth Group and our new D/C Groups. Middle school begins tonight from 5:15-7 pm; high school meets from 6:30-8:30 pm.

Are You New to Faith? Join Pastor Pete and Phil Kratovil today in the 2nd-floor conference room, following the 11 am service. A complimentary lunch will be served as they present opportunities for spiritual growth and new member classes.

Handbell Choirs: Celebration Ringers (grades 7-12 at 3:30 pm) and Joy Ringers (grades 4-6 at 4:30 pm) begin today. Anyone interested in learning to play handbells is welcome. Some music experience is helpful but not necessary. Jeanne Bingham, jeanne.bingham@viennapres.org or x104

Children’s Choirs rehearsals begin today. School-age choirs meet Sundays through May, 5:30- 6:30 pm on non-FCPS holiday weekends. Register at www.viennapres.org/ChildrensChoirSignup

UPCOMING EVENTS

Small Groups Forming Now! Small Groups share life, study God’s Word, pray together, and care and serve together. Sign up in person every Sunday through Oct. 4 for our fall church-wide study, “Acts of a Disciple,” which runs Oct. 4-Nov. 23. Men’s, women’s, mixed adult and couples groups are available. Or, to register online, visit: www.viennapres.org/smallgroups/

Women’s Bible Study: Tuesdays at 9:30 am, beginning Sept. 15. This interactive study will explore Luke in 14 lessons. Materials: $30. Shannon Jordan, 703.566.6533 or shannonjordan1@verizon.net

Young Adults Gathering kickoff is Thursday, Sept. 17, 7:30 pm in the Great Hall. Come meet other young adults and explore questions of life and faith in a laidback setting. Regular meetings are the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. Kelly Gould, x112 or www.viennapres.org/connect/young_adults

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Third and Fourth Graders: Kid’s Nation 34 ministry kicks off our year on Sept. 18, 7-8:30 pm in the 3rd floor Activity Center. Daryl Wright, daryl.wright@viennapres.org or x126

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-noon. To register: Linda Kemple, 703.938.9050. Childcare provided for ages six and under by calling x351 no later than 48 hours prior to this event.

Time for Dine With 9 to Change Tables! The focus of Dine With 9 is Christian fellowship—getting to personally know others in our large church. Sign up in the narthex NOW through Sept. 30. Meet your new group of nine on Oct. 2, 7 pm in the Great Hall. Bring a dish to share. Barb Spiller, 703.830.7971 or Christina Jones, christinahjones@gmail.com
Announcements

Widows/Widowers Luncheon: Sept. 19, noon at Famous Dave’s BBQ in Oakton. Denver Roche, 703.938.8338

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

Camels, Clinic and Cell Phones: Sharing Christ among the Bedouin. Come and hear missionaries share about their work with the Bedouin people. Sept. 27, 12:15-1:30 pm. To reserve lunch: molly.quackenbush@viennapres.org or x107. Childcare reservations: x351; call 48 hours prior to the event.

CROP Hunger Walk Information Rally: Sept. 20 at 2 pm, VPC. Guest speaker: Ted Farrar of Church World Service. Visit www.viennacropwalk.org for more information. Save the Date: 5th Annual CROP Hunger Walk is Oct. 25. Betty Rahal, viennacropwalk@yahoo.com

2010 Trip to Oberammergau, Germany: Spaces still available to see the world-famous Passion play. Information and itinerary are in the narthex, or visit www.viennapres.org/passionplay.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Discount at Grapevine Books: Order your fall Sunday School, Bible Study, and Small Group books for a 15% discount.

New Devotional Booklets Now Available in the narthex. Continue to follow along the sermon series with with this new “Acts of the Disciples” booklet, which begins with Week 15. Those who have previously received devotionals by e-blast will continue to do so without interruption.

the UNDERGROUND (Student Ministries)

Parents of Middle and High School Students: Fill out the 2009-10 Student Ministries Registration and Release form for each child. Forms are at www.vpcstudents.org/forms.php.

Parent Discussions: Please join us on Sept 20, 11 am in the Underground (L12-16) for the first in a series of parent discussions. Learn everything about the new Underground A.M. and Underground P.M. programs.

High School Students Confirmation Class begins in November. A required interest meeting for students and parents will be held on Oct. 18 at 12:30 pm. To learn more and to register, visit www.viennapres.org/confirmationclass.

CARE AND SUPPORT

Are You in Job Transition? Join us for Bridgepoint Transitions support and networking group on Wednesdays, 9-10:30 am in rooms 203/204. You’ll be encouraged, have a chance to network with others, and learn about opportunities. Phil Kratovil, phil.kratovil@viennapres.org or x115

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. 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. Informational brochures are available on the Gathering Space wall. Inajo Cox, 703.624.1747, and Bill & Sherrie Steinbach, 703.938.3106.

New OA (Overeaters Anonymous) Support Group meets Wednesdays, 7-8 pm, in Room 311. This is a group with an emphasis on bulimia and anorexia.
**SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

**VPC Partners With Our Daily Bread** to provide food for low-income residents of Fairfax County. Donations may be brought to the church through Sept. 20. Volunteers are needed to sort donations on Saturday, Sept. 26, and also to make deliveries to families on Sept. 27. Matt Stockburger, mstock_w@yahoo.com

**Can You Make a Difference** in the life of a middle- or high school student? Volunteers are urgently needed at 9:30 for the Underground A.M and the Underground P.M. (middle school from 5:15-7 on Sundays and high school from 6:30-8:30 Sundays). Kim Snyder, kim.snyder@viennapres.org or x129, and Liz Foskey, liz.foskey@viennapres.org or x128

**Breakfast Set-Up Helpers:** Please consider giving 30 minutes on 1-2 Sundays per month to our middle and high school students. Melissa Jensen, melissa.jensen@viennapres.org or x155

**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. Bonnie Grouge, bonnie.grouge@viennapres.org or x102

**Children’s Ministries Needs Your Help!** There’s a volunteer opportunity for all ages and abilities, including:
- Sunday Morning Administrator
- 3s Assistant Teacher, twice/month at 11 am
Clare Maynard, clare.maynard@viennapres.org or x127

**Beginning in October, the CHO Clothes Closet** will accept your donations from 9:30 am–noon the first Monday of each month and will open to the public on remaining Mondays. CHO is located at 133 Park St. NE in Vienna and distributes clothes to the needy, free of charge. For more information, call 703.281.7614.

**The Community Coalition for Haiti (CCH)** seeks donations to support small-industry ventures in Pignon, Haiti. Beads, jewelry-making tools, sewing notions and good-quality fabric remnants are especially helpful. Collection bins are located near Grapevine Books, directly beneath the cross and near the stairwell.

**STUDY OPPORTUNITIES**

**Adult Education Classes** are listed on the back page.

**More Study Opportunities:** www.viennapres.org/study

**CenterPoint fall term begins Sept. 27.** For more expanded class descriptions and registration, visit www.viennapres.org/centerpoint.

Sundays at 5:30 pm beginning Sept. 27 (5 weeks):
- **PLANNING A SECURE FUTURE FOR YOUR WORK AND LIFE.** Instructors Bruce Knight, Chris Dowell and Gail Bamford have designed a class to help you connect with God and others in your work and spiritual life.
- **HOW PEOPLE CHANGE.** John Lauber, pastor and counselor, explores how we can experience real-life change through the transformational power of the cross and live more Christ-like lives.
- **THE PROMISED LAND, FROM GENESIS TO REVELATION: A CHRONOLOGICAL TOUR OF SITES IN ISRAEL WHICH FIGURE PROMINENTLY IN THE BIBLE.** Duane Harder will lead this class following the paths of our spiritual forefathers as they appear chronologically in the Bible. Scripture readings and photographs of the sites are woven into a narrated tour of Israel.

Tuesdays at 7:30 pm beginning Sept. 29 (5 weeks):
- **JOHN CALVIN’S SPECTACLES: READING SCRIPTURE THROUGH THE EYES OF THE GREAT REFORMER.** Junior McGarrahan, Associate Pastor at National Presbyterian Church, will examine excerpts from Calvin’s commentaries and sermons.
- **DISCOVERY: JESUS AND THE INTELLECTUAL.** This course, led by Evangelism Director Phil Kratovil, is designed to examine what the Bible says about Jesus Christ, what he said about himself, and how we can know him today in a personal way.

**More Service Opportunities:** www.viennapres.org/serve
Sunday Mornings at VPC

Children’s Room Assignments
8 am Bridges Class meets in Room 320

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Adult Education Classes

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**Beyond Basics:** Selections from *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. Coordinator: Kate Lund. Rooms 203/204

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

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

**Searchers in the Word:** 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. Leader: Marion Billington. Conference Room

**Partners With Christ:** A six-week study of Ephesians. Newcomers are always welcome. Coordinator: Martha Strauss 703.319.7050. Room 205

11:00 am

**Berean:** “Hebrew Festivals and the Christian Faith—What Every Christian Should Know About Jewish Feast Days.” Drop-ins welcome! Coordinators: Esther and Duane Harder. Rooms 203/204

**Apprentices:** A 12-week study of “Living the Mission: A Spiritual Formation Guide” by Richard Foster. Each study includes a reading from Acts and from a classic or contemporary writer. Please join us. Coordinator: Connie Edens. Room 205

**ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) Bible Study:** Begins Sept. 27. Open to adults (Intermediate or Advanced speakers of English) who wish to gain a better understanding of God’s Word, to build community and to improve English skills. Leaders: Shun and Doris Ling. Room 317

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