Prelude
Prelude in B-minor Terry Sisk, organist
Franck

Welcome

Worship Song
How Great Is Our God Tomlin, Reeves and Cash
The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty;
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

Chorus
How great is our God! Sing with me:
How great is our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God!
Age to age He stands, and time is in His hands;
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.
The God-head, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, Lion and the Lamb. (Chorus)

Name above all names, worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing: How great is our God! (Repeat)

How great is our God! Sing with me:
How great is our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God! (3x)

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Prayer of Adoration Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

Hymn #488
The God of Abraham Praise

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Minute for Witness Lisa Baltzer

Please request large-print hymnals from ushers
Assistive listening devices are available in the balcony from the Sound Technician
Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Offertory
There is a Balm in Gilead

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
Children in the Bridges class are dismissed.

Scripture
Acts 23:6-10 (pages 135/144 NT)

Sermon
The Living Word of God
Sermon Series: God’s Big Story

Worship Song
Lord, Reign in Me

Over all the earth You reign on high, ev’ry mountain stream, ev’ry sunset sky.
But my one request, Lord, my only aim is that You reign in me again.

Chorus
Lord reign in me, reign in Your pow’r. Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour.
You are the Lord of all I am. So won’t You reign in me again.

Over ev’ry thought, over ev’ry word, may my life reflect the beauty of the Lord.
‘Cause You mean more to me than any earthly thing, so won’t You reign in me again. (Chorus)

Over all the earth You reign on high, ev’ry mountain stream, ev’ry sunset sky.
But my one request, Lord, my only aim is that You reign in me again. (Chorus)

Tag
Lord reign in me, reign in Your pow’r. Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour.
You are the Lord of all I am.
So won’t You reign in me again. (3x)

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Benediction

Postlude
Fugue in B-flat

Youth Choir
Lau

Hymn #592

David Jordan-Haas

arr. Cole

Bach
Prelude
Prelude in B-minor

Welcome

Worship Song
Revelation Song
Worthy is the...Lamb who was slain. Holy, Holy, is He.
Sing a new song...to Him who sits on....Heaven's Mercy Seat *(Repeat)*

*Chorus*
Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come
With all creation I sing: Praise to the King of Kings!
You are my everything, And I will...adore You!

Clothed in rainbows...of living color; Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder.
Blessing and honor, strength and...glory and power be...To You the Only Wise King. *(Chorus)*

Filled with wonder...Awestruck wonder...At the mention of Your Name.
Jesus, Your Name is Power,...Breath, and Living Water
Such a marvelous mystery *(Chorus 2x)*

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Prayer of Adoration

Anthem
Let It Rise

Junior Choir; Catherine Dehoney, director
Davis

Hymn #488
The God of Abraham Praise

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

Minute for Witness

Lisa Baltzer

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Assistive listening devices are available in the balcony from the Sound Technician
Bible Presentation to 3rd Graders

Children in Bridges and Gateways are dismissed after the presentation.

Offertory
The Word

Scripture
Acts 23:6-10 (pages 135/144 NT)

Sermon
The Living Word of God
Sermon Series: God’s Big Story

Worship Song
Thy Word

Chorus
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. (Repeat)
When I feel afraid, and I think I’ve lost my way, Still You’re there, right beside me.
Nothing will I fear, as long as You are near; Please be near me to the end. (Chorus)
I will not forget Your love for me, and yet, My heart forever is wandering.
Jesus, be my guide, and hold me to Your side. I will love You to the end. (Chorus)
And a light unto my path. You’re a light unto my path.

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Benediction

Postlude
Fugue in B-flat

Today’s flowers are given by Herbert and Lisa MacArthur, in memory of M. Wayne Timblin, and by Grady and Barbara Carlson, in celebration of the marriage of their daughter, Ashley, to Dusty Dickerson.
Intercessory Prayers – Oct. 25, 2009

Grieving: Nancy Lee (father); Kate Lund (son); the family of Mary Martin; Diane Sorenson (father); Jaime Tapia (brother-in-law)

Hospitalized: Grady Carlson’s mother; Ruth Marotto’s mother

Facing Tests or Surgery: Mary Ellen Keaton; Charles Trickey; Mariann Alicea’s brother-in-law

Ill or Convalescing: Gail Bergquist; Carole Burgess; George Cronin; Isabelle Davis; Chuck Garland; Rae Harpe; Charles Killion; Jeanne Larsen; Bill Lowrey; Tom Lyle (Hospice); Maria Madrid; Kriste Main; Jim McCoy; Laura Nickell (11); Bill Phillips; Maribel Ramirez-Goze; Jerry Schnell; Mark Tracz; Kathy Van Meter (Hospice); Bill Windle; Madelyn Wiser (16 mos.); Lola. Homebound: Len & Bev Kalkwarf

Family and Friends: Ed Brogan’s mother (Hospice); Ruthanne Buterbaugh’s cousin; William Buterbaugh’s sister; Danielle Clay’s grandfather-in-law; Pamela Crippen’s mother; Ted Davies’s cousin; Donna DeLanoy’s mother; Kate DeWeese’s grandfather; Elizabeth Kellman’s friend John (18); Linda Kemple’s stepmother and cousin; Jim Larson’s niece; Linda Lyon’s son-in-law; Vicky McLaine’s cousin and friend Marcia; Kristine Morris’s mother; Rodger Rak’s father (former member Daniel Rak); Mary Ann Singlaub’s mother; Minh Towner’s neighbor Daphne; Mary Wisenbaugh’s cousin Jack and wife Maggie

Other: Mindy Aki & husband; Greg Coats; Robert Ranck; David D. & 2 young daughters; for a 15-year old son involved in drugs and his family’s loving intervention

A note of thanks from Thelma Ekmekji and the Hazen family for all the prayers and support given them following the passing of Carmen Hazen.

Congratulations to: Tad and Donna Davidovich on the birth of Ryan Peter on 10/9. John and Nancy Davidovich are the proud grandparents. We also congratulate Pastor Chris and Elizabeth Hammond on the birth of Claire Elizabeth on 10/16.

From Dick Eagan: With very mixed emotions, we announce that Ginni Richards will be leaving our VPC staff to use her talents to help grow a local business. Please join me in thanking her for 10 faithful years of service and for being such a wonderfully flexible resource, especially through these last four years of transition growth. It will be exciting to see how God continues to use Ginni in the life of this church community and, now, by expanding her ministry in the business community. Let us all support Ginni with our prayers as she makes this transition.


blessing as we seek to do your will through the commitment of our financial resources to your kingdom. Amen.

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Giving totals as of 9/30/2009 (updated monthly)

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

E-MAIL 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 is Local Missions Sunday.

Please join us.
9 am-12:30 pm in the Great Hall;
Light snacks served
Discover tangible, rewarding ways
to serve God and neighbors.

Meet Oksana Savka
New Hope International’s Director of Orphans and Family Ministry for Ukraine

Nov. 1
In front of the Great Hall
9-9:30 AM, 10:30-11 AM AND NOON

See page 9

Outreach Opportunities This Week—Bring a Friend!

Bridgepoint Job Transitions Support Group:
See page 11

Halloween Pre-Parade Dinner:
See page 9
Pledge Commitment Sunday: Nov. 8

Prayerfully consider the amount God is calling you to pledge in support of the ministry and missions of VPC for next year. Please complete a Pledge Card, available in the pew racks, and bring it with you to worship on Sunday, Nov. 8, to present as we ‘Stand on the Promises.’

If you cannot be present in worship on Nov. 8, please mail your Pledge Card to the church office: 124 Park St. NE, Vienna 22180.

“Surviving the Holidays”

presented by
GriefShare and Passages

Nov. 8 and 14

Discipleship Forum luncheon

Nov. 1, 12:15-1:30 pm
Great Hall
See page 9
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 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.

TODAY

Local Missions Sunday: See page 7

Parents of College Students: If your son or daughter would like to receive a care package from VPC, please submit his/her mailing address outside the Great Hall.

5th Annual CROP Hunger Walk: Vienna Town Green, 2 pm. Work In Progress will kick off the event with a concert at 1:30—come enjoy, whether or not you are walking!

Student Ministries “Country Hoedown” Costume Party: 6-9 pm in the Underground. All 7th-12th grade students are invited to come out for a great time.

UPCOMING EVENTS

“Standing on the Promises” Pledge Commitment Sunday: See page 8

Halloween Pre-Parade Outreach Dinner: Oct. 28, 5:30-7 pm at VPC. Bring friends and neighbors to our cookout dinner ($3 for hot dog, chips, and apple and soda) and outreach activities preceding the Town of Vienna’s parade. Enjoy live music, face painting, games, prizes and fun!

Discipleship Forum Luncheon: Nov. 1, 12:15-1:30 pm (following the 11:00 service), Great Hall. Don’t miss this important seminar on communicating your own unique and powerful story! Come learn practical, effective ways to craft your story so that it will engage the interest of your friends, family and co-workers. Reserve a lunch for $5 by contacting deb.crumbliss@viennapres.org.

“Surviving the Holidays,” a special video/discussion program for those dealing with grief due to a death or divorce, will be presented by GriefShare and Passages on Nov. 8 (6 pm) and again on Nov. 14 (10 am) in Rooms 203/204. To pre-register, call 703.938.9050 or e-mail griefshare@viennapres.org or passages@viennapres.org.


CHoosE (Christian Hoos Exalt), University of Virginia’s only coed Christian a cappella group, will offer a free concert in the Great Hall on Nov. 15 at 2 pm. The program will last approximately one hour and includes contemporary selections by Brandon Heath, Kari Jobe, Steven Curtis Chapman, Phil Wickham, Meredith Andrews and more. Free to the public; donations accepted. CDs will be available for sale.

The Marine Corps Museum: SWATT invites those 55+ to come along and visit this museum in Quantico, VA, on Nov. 19 (note date change). VPC bus departs at 9:30 am. Museum free, lunch on own at museum, bus donation requested. Reservation required: Steve Skjei, styksjei@verizon.net or 703.938.4623

the Underground (Student Ministries)

College Ministry Discussion Group: Please join us next Sunday at 12:30 pm in L12-16 as we brainstorm ways to minister to VPC students who are away from home at college. We would like to come up with a plan to care for these students while they are away and at home on break. Barry Hill, barry.hill@viennapres.org

Middle and High School Fall Retreat: Nov. 20-22 at Camp Horizons OLC. Join us for a great weekend of fun and fellowship. Cost ($99 if registered by Nov. 1) includes program, t-shirt, lodging in heated cabins and meals. Add the optional high ropes course for an additional $25. Register by Nov. 1 before the price goes UP.
Announcements – Oct. 25, 2009

Save the Date: Dec. 2, 7:30 pm—Presbyterian Women Advent Celebration. More details coming soon!

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Beyond Basics adult ed class (Sundays, 9:30 am, Rooms 202/203) begins a new session next week: Reformed Theology. This theology came out of the Reformation—in particular, the theology of John Calvin (1509-1564)—and was formulated by the Puritans. It emphasizes God, rather than being man-centered. Nora White and Jon Lochhass lead us in conversations, Nov.1-22. All are welcome.

Partners With Christ adult ed class (Sundays, 9:30 am, Room 205): Join us for a new study beginning Nov. 1: Crazy Love by Pastor Francis Chan. Learn to break free from the status quo and answer God's call to a passionate relationship with Him. Books available at Grapevine. Martha Strauss, 703.319.7050

Current Sunday Morning Adult Education Classes are listed on page 12.

CenterPoint Presents “Perspectives on the World Christian Movement.” Watch for information on this course, in which various speakers address topics such as the Biblical Foundation, Historical Progress, Cultural Distinctions, and Strategic Involvement of the world Christian movement. Tuesdays, 7-9:45 pm, for 15 weeks beginning Jan. 2010. Early registration fee: $265 by Dec. 15. swalker@pff.net or sheila.breuer@viennapres.org

More Study Opportunities: www.viennapres.org/study

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Confirmation Class Small-Group Leaders Needed in the Underground. One of the central parts of high school Confirmation is the formation of student small groups. We need leaders--male and female-- willing to walk alongside our students during the Confirmation process. Class begins Nov. 8. Melissa Jensen, melissa.jensen@viennapres.org

Help Wanted in Worship: Seeking one volunteer to set up screens (7:20 am, Sundays) and two to operate screens (all services) during worship. Lance Vining, ext. 132

Children’s Sunday School Small-Group Leaders Needed twice a month, at 9:30 am, for our 4th grade class. Come and be part of our exciting new “Power Up!” program! Clare Maynard, clare.maynard@viennapres.org

Adopt a Family for Angel Tree: This Christian program provides Christmas gifts for children of incarcerated parents/grandparents. Our gifts are given in Jesus’ name as we share the good news of his love and forgiveness. Adopt a family by providing 2-3 gifts for each child and a thank-you for the caregiver. Tricia Hine, 703.863.4590 or PLHine@hotmail.com

Bridgepoint Ministries can use help with the following: Job Transition Support Group, Wednesday mornings; Halloween Parade Outreach Dinner, Oct. 28; Discipleship Forum Luncheon, Nov. 1; The Great Steak Out, Nov. 20; Church Street Stroll, Nov. 30. Details: www.bridgepointconnections.org and Phil Kratovil, phil.kratovil@viennapres.org

Are You Creative? Do you have a decorator’s eye? The Worship Team would like to speak with you! There are a variety of ways that you can serve at VPC for a single occasion or over the course of the year. Barb Jones, barb.jones@viennapres.org or ext. 111

New Members’ Team: We are seeking a volunteer with the ability to organize people and events to help with our New Members’ Team. This team puts together three New Member Seminars each year. There is a team in place but the current leader is retiring. Barb Jones, barb.jones@viennapres.org or ext. 111

More Service Opportunities: www.viennapres.org/serve
GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bookstore Sale: Stop by Grapevine Books today for yellow tag specials. Sale items are 40% off!

Are You in Job Transition? Bridgepoint Transitions support and networking group meets Wednesdays, 9-10:30 am in Rooms 203/204, for a time of spiritual encouragement, networking and job-seeking tips. Invite a friend who’s in job transition or come yourself to serve as a resource and encourager. phil.kratovil@viennapres.org

Reformation Pilgrimage and Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany: Spaces are still available for this trip in July/Aug. 2010. We must pay for the Passion Play tickets soon, so if you or someone you know is interested, please let us know. Details are in the narthex and at www.viennapres.org/passionplay.

Director of High School Ministry: VPC is seeking an individual with a commitment to leading high school students as they grow as followers of Jesus Christ. Please direct all resumés and questions to Barry Hill, barry.hill@viennapres.org.

Part-Time Administrative Position: VPC is seeking a highly-organized administrative person with excellent writing, computer and telephone skills. A more complete job posting can be found at www.viennapres.org/staffopenings. Please direct questions and resumés to Phil Kratovil at phil.kratovil@viennapres.org.

Part-Time Communications Assistant: We are seeking a highly-organized individual with a commitment to the mission and vision of VPC as a Disciple-making church. Excellent writing, computer and graphic skills required. Complete job description is at www.viennapres.org/staffopenings. Please direct questions and resumés to Barb Jones at barb.jones@viennapres.org.


HighPoint (Children’s Ministries) Programs: www.viennapres.org/highpoint
the Underground (Student Ministries) Programs: www.vpcstudents.org

CARE MINISTRIES

Details on the following ministries may be found at: www.viennapres.org/ministries/careprayer.

Christian Cancer Companions (CCC) support newly-diagnosed cancer patients. Trained volunteers call or visit individuals in that time between initial diagnosis and entering the care of experienced healthcare staff. Rita Lockwood, 703.573.6168 or luckylister32@verizon.net

GriefShare is a special seminar and support group for people grieving the death of someone close. Meetings are held Sundays, 6 pm in Room 205. Inajo Cox, 703.624.1747, and Bill and Sherrie Steinbach, 703.938.3106

NewSpring: Hope for the Sexually Abused educates and informs our community about sexual abuse and offers resources for hope and healing. david.jordan-haas@viennapres.org or ext. 116

Passages provides support to those experiencing the pain of marital separation or divorce. Meetings are held Tuesdays, 7 pm in Rooms 203/204. passages@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050

Stephen Ministers offer confidential, one-on-one care for people going through crises. They can offer a listening ear in a distinctively Christian way to people with all types of spiritual and emotional needs. leetaylor@viennapres.org or ext. 103
Children’s Room Assignments
8 am Bridges Class meets in Room 320

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Student Ministries (Middle School/High School—Lower Level)

9:00 am: Breakfast; 9:30-10:30: Sunday School

Adult Education Classes

9:30 am

**Beyond Basics:** Selections from *Pilgrim’s Progress,* by John Bunyan, in an updated version by L. Edward Hazelbaker. Led by Jonathan Lochhaas. 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. Facilitator: Judy Chelson.

**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:** Ongoing study of Ephesians. Newcomers are always welcome. Coordinator: Martha Strauss, 703.319.7050. Room 205

11:00 am

**Berean:** “Psalms—It is Not Just Poetry.” A look at the Psalms through the lens of prophecy, inspiration, thanksgiving, grief, and wisdom. Drop-ins welcome! Rooms 203/204. Coordinators: Esther and Duane Harder

**Apprentices:** Ongoing 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:** 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

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