Witnessing or Proselytizing?


August 22, 2010
Sunday Worship 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00

Prelude
Toccata Festiva
Terry Sisk, organist
Young

Welcome

Hymn 263
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
ST. DENIO

Prayer of Adoration
David Jordan-Haas

Worship Song
Shout to the Lord
Zschech
My Jesus, my Saviour, Lord, there is none like You;
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter, Tower of refuge and strength;
Let every breath, all that I am never cease to worship You.
Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing, Power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands, forever I’ll love You, forever I’ll stand,
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.
(Repeat in entirety)
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Minute for Witness
Lee Robbins

Anthem
Holy
Work in Progress
Nordemann

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

Children’s Message (9:30 & 11:00)                      Dawn Geschiere

Children may return to their parents after the message.

Offertory
Prayin’, Sowin’, Reapin’                          Howerton

During the Offertory, please pass the Friendship Pad. Children in 8:00 Bridges are dismissed.

Scripture

Sermon
Witnessing or Proselytizing?
Sermon Series: Best Spiritual Practices

Pete James

Worship Song
Days of Elijah                                  Mark

These are the days of Elijah, declaring the Word of the Lord;
And these are the days of Your servant, Moses, righteousness being restored;
And though these are days of great trial, of famine and darkness and sword;
Still we are the voice in the desert crying, “Prepare ye the way of the Lord.”

Chorus
Behold He comes, riding on the clouds, shining like the sun at the trumpet call;
So lift your voice, it’s the year of Jubilee, and out of Zion’s hill salvation comes.

These are the days of Ezekiel, the dry bones becoming as flesh;
And these are the days of Your servant, David, rebuilding the temple of praise;
And these are the days of the harvest, the fields are as white in the world;
And we are the laborers in the vineyard, declaring the Word of the Lord. (Chorus)

There’s no god like Jehovah (Repeat ad lib) (Chorus 2x)

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Benediction

Postlude

Today’s flowers are given by Skip, Debby and Maddy Scozzie, in memory of Phyllis Scozzie, Skip’s mother, and by Betty and Jim Larson, in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.
Prayers

Lord, we are grateful for all that you have done, are doing and will do in the life of VPC. We ask your continued blessing as we seek to do your will through the commitment of our financial resources to your kingdom. Amen.

Grieving: Jeanne Bingham (aunt); Rob Brooke (brother); Brigid Runyon (mother)

Hospitalized: Jackson & Weston Ott (newborn preemies); Joe Brower's mother; Yvonne Malloy's aunt; Nancy Martin's friends Bill & Laura Dunlap

Facing Tests or Surgery: Louis Crandell; Tom Jones; Adriana Manik; Margaret Cundiff's sister Katherine; Mike Hughes's niece Karen

Ill or Convalescing: Lucy Anne Black; Sheila Breuer; Dianne Clemons; Annie Collier; Jamie Corridon; Chuck Garland; Barbara Greig; Alan Haas; Dennis Haas; Elaine Hamlet; Gordon Hamlet; Pat Harper; Melissa Jenkins; Mary Ellen Keaton; Charles Killion; Mildred Kratovil; Laura Nickell (12); Bill Phillips; Jerry Schnell; Corine Stoepker; Bill Windle. Homebound: Bill Phillips

Family and Friends: Ed Brogan's mother (Hospice); Ruth Anne Buterbaugh's friend Walter; William Buterbaugh's sister-in-law; Christa Davidson's mother, former member Jacque Jeutter; Mary Flounlacker's friend Tammy; Kathryn Gilchrist's cousin Caroline (4) and her friends Phil and Sterling & son, Grant; Kurt Gilchrist's cousin Kimberly; Celeste Kacedan's Aunt Sue; Emily Kerstetter (hurt in Uganda bombing); Tana Leasure's father; Linda Lyon's son-in-law; Kelly Miller's friend Kirk; Lois Poland's mother; Jeni Porter's mother; Mary Ann Singlaub's mother; Mary Spence Smith's friend Robin; Bev Strean's goddaughter and friends Bruce and Louise; Mary Wisenbaugh's friend Sherry; Ele Woglom's nephew Glenn

Missions/Missionaries of the week: Valerie Merfa Kumalo, Church Forum, Swaziland (International); Robert Hodous, Intervarsity, Mary Washington University (National); Family PASS, Fairfax (Local)

Other: Chip Bachmann; Dianne Clemons; Greg Coats; Kurt Gilchrist; Holly Heiderer; Melinda Mayes; Blanca Urquia & family; Bob & Joanne Bower's son (Brit) and daughter-in-law; Dana Burnett's friend Nicole; the people of Pakistan and Haiti and all those working on their behalf; Haymarket Crossroads Mission

Congratulations to: Amy Larsen & Neal Dedicatoria, who were married at VPC on Aug. 14. Amy is the daughter of Don & Jeanne Larsen. Also married on Aug. 14, congratulations to Laura Root & Patrick Kempter. Laura is the daughter of Larry & Carolyn Root.


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, x301; or

E-MAIL linda.kemple@viennapres.org; or enter a prayer request via 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.

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Giving totals as of 7/31/2010 (updated monthly)
VPC CORDIALLY WELCOMES OUR VISITORS AND GUESTS.

We are delighted you are here. The opportunities below serve as the compass for taking your first steps on the spiritual journey at VPC. For more information, please visit www.viennapres.org/firststeps or contact Shannon Jordan at 703.938.9050 x123.

Step 1: Visit the Welcome Table in the entrance for a gift, then join us for coffee in the Great Hall between services.
Step 2: Orientation to the Journey: Meet new people while learning who we are as a church and what we believe. Join us at the next gathering—Sept. 12, 11am in the 2nd-floor Conference room—for light refreshments.
Step 3: “Invitation for the Journey” class: Learn what it means to follow Jesus here at VPC. Explore our mission, beliefs, values and practices. Discover what it means to live your life as Jesus would. This 3-week class is required for membership at VPC. The next series: 10:45am on Sept. 19 & 26 and Oct. 3.
Step 4: Share the Journey in a Small Group: Grow in Christ and connect with others at VPC. Find all sorts of groups at www.viennapres.org/ministries/adults/.

New to faith, small groups, or VPC? A great place to start: Christianity Explored. See p. 7 for more info.

FAQ’s

► Will VPC hold 3 worship services?
Yes, at the usual times of 8, 9:30 and 11am.

► I won’t be in town on Sept. 5. What can I do?
Help with our food drive to support CHO, at Giant Foods in Vienna on Aug 22.

► What opportunities are available for families with small children?
Some include: Picking up trash or handing out water on the W&OD trail, painting a fence, and making cards for service personnel.

Labor 4 Your Neighbor

Sign up at www.viennapres.org/l4yn

Love the Lord... Love the People... Serve the Lord... Serve the People

Sunday, September 5, 2010

Celebrate with us at 4pm:
Fellowship and free food!
Find out more at viennapres.org/l4yn
GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall devotional booklets: Pastor Glenda has written a daily devotional for use starting Sept. 6, in conjunction with the new sermon series: In Christ Together for the World. Access it in the way best suited for you:
- Receive a daily devotional reading by email;*
- Visit www.viennapres.org/devotionals daily;
- Follow the series on Twitter “ViennaPres”; or
- Pick up a printed booklet in the narthex.
*To sign up, contact kelly.miller@viennapres.org. Those who have previously requested to receive devotionals by email will continue to do so.

Bridgepoint events:
- Are you in transition or do you know someone who is? Our support and networking group welcomes you Wednesdays, 7:30-9pm, in Rooms 108A/108B. We offer encouragement, networking and job-seeking tips. Invite a friend or come yourself to serve as a resource.
- Career Networking Night: Join us in the Great Hall, Sept. 8, 6:30-8:30pm, for a delicious dinner, inspirational speaker and employment resource fair. Free childcare with advance reservation at x351; free dinner for those in job transition.

Part-time positions:
- Stan Ott with the Vital Churches Institute is seeking a highly-organized administrative person with excellent writing, computer and telephone skills. Visit www.vitalchurchesinstitute.com for information. Please direct questions and resume to stan@vitalchurches.com.
- VPC is seeking a Worship Coordinator to support our worship team and produce all worship media. We need a self-starter with the ability to multi-task, meet deadlines, and have excellent computer skills. See www.viennapres.org/openings. Please direct questions and resume to lynn.taylor@viennapres.org.

Interesting in becoming a member of VPC? “Invitation for the Journey” classes (required for membership) will be offered at 10:45 am Sept. 19 & 26 and Oct. 3. Register via Linda Kemple, x100, or www.viennapres.org/firststeps.

Youth worship ministry workshop: Aug. 28, 8:30am-12 noon. All welcome. kerry.wilkerson@viennapres.org

Once again, it’s time to enroll your child(ren) in Sunday classes. Visit www.viennapres.org/cmsignups.

Register for children’s choirs! Visit www.viennapres.org/childrensChoirSignup. Bell Ringers needed. 4th–6th graders: Interested in playing handbells? Some music experience is helpful but not required. jeanne.bingham@viennapres.org or x104

Confirmation Class (high school) interest meeting is Sept. 26. See www.viennapres.org/confirmationclass.

Check out Student Ministries’ new look, www.vpcstudents.org, with details on fall programs! Also, please register for Student Ministries/Youth Worship Ministries programs at www.vpcstudents.org/smsignups.

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages):
- Teacher orientation: Sept. 1, 7pm, 3rd floor Activity Center
- Classes begin Sept. 13, 9:30am, and Sept. 14, 7:30pm. Register Aug. 30, Sept. 1 & 8 (Mon/Wed morn classes), and Aug. 31, Sept. 2, 7 & 9 (Tue/Thu eve classes). Fee: $30/yr. Free childcare during classes, on a limited basis, for ages 3 months–6 years. Bonnie Grouge/Pam Gissendanner, x102

Training of Children’s Ministries’ teachers/assistants: Fall Sunday school volunteers: Please mark your calendar to attend one training session, Sept. 1 or Sept. 9, 7-9pm, in Room 322.

Now in Grapevine Books: The Lohrmann Family has just released “A Legacy of God’s Love” CD, featuring 17 songs recorded live during worship services at VPC. Check it out in the bookstore today!

Will you be getting married at VPC? Please contact us ASAP about Marriage Prep classes. 703.938.9050 or linda.kemple@viennapres.org
SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Music lovers: Sanctuary Choir seeks new singers to join the “family.” Attend our Fall Retreat on Sept. 11, 8am-1pm, for a great time to try us out. Breakfast and lunch will be served and is free to first-time visitors. Lance Vining, x132

Wanted: Adult Ministry small group leaders/teachers! shannon.jordan@viennapres.org or x116

Wanted: Student Ministries small group leaders as well as adults for Confirmation Class small groups. barry.hill@viennapres.org or x130

Children’s Ministries urgently seeks teachers.
Training is provided. Specific needs:
• 9:30am: Lead Teachers for 3s, 4s, Grade 3 and Grade 4 (1-3 times/month); Assistants for 3s, 4s, Grade 1, Grade 3, Grade 5/6 boys and Bridges (1-2 times/month)
• 11am: Lead Teachers for 3s, 4s and Grade 5/6 (1-4 times/month); Assistants/Youth Assistants for 3s thru Grade 5/6

If teaching children isn’t your thing, your technical assistance running Power Point, DVDs and sound effects in children’s ministries would be appreciated. Training is provided. dawn.geschiere@viennapres.org or x127

School supplies: As part of Labor for Your Neighbor, we are collecting glue sticks, thin washable markers and composition notebooks. There is a crate in the narthex ready for donations. Thank you for your generosity. Nicole Abdullah, abdullahva@yahoo.com

Breakfast + Student Ministries = Awesome.
Can you coordinate and/or help with breakfast on Sunday mornings this school year? melissa.jensen@viennapres.org or x155

More opportunities: www.viennapres.org/serve

CARE MINISTRIES
At VPC, several ministries are dedicated to caregiving, healing and support. To learn more, visit www.viennapres.org/ministries/careprayer

Caring for Aging Parents: Lois Poland, lpoland@tmaresources.com or 703.502.8502

Christian Cancer Companions (CCC): Rita Lockwood, 703.573.6168 or luckylister32@verizon.net

GriefShare begins Sept. 12, 6:30-8pm, in Room 205. Inajo Cox, 703.624.1747, or Bill and Sherrie Steinbach, 703.938.3106

(Care Ministries – continued)

NewSpring: Hope for the Sexually Abused:
david.jordan-haas@viennapres.org and 703.938.9050

Join NewSpring’s Leadership Team! We’re seeking people to help with event planning; praying for the community; caring for abuse survivors; and researching safe-church practices. Jeanie Thomas, jthom1231@verizon.net, or david.jordan-haas@viennapres.org and 703.938.9050

Passages (marital separation or divorce) begins Sept. 28. passages@viennapres.org or Romey McPherson, 703.478.9794

Stephen Ministers offer confidential, one-on-one care for people going through crises. lee.taylor@viennapres.org or x103

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES
This fall in Adult Ministries: For people at all levels of spiritual maturity, VPC offers myriad options, including:
• Christianity Explored, for newcomers to Christianity or those just wishing to know more. This 8-week class starts Sept. 12, 11am in Room 109 near Grapevine Books.
• Beginning in God’s Word: Haven’t studied the Bible much? Unsure where to begin? This new class, beginning Sept. 12 at 9:30am, helps us discover how to connect knowing God and His Word to everyday life.
• Growing Your Soul is a 9-month small group starting in mid-September for people who long for a deeper experience of God and his purpose in their lives. Info: www.viennapres.org/gys
• In-depth Bible study: Disciple I surveys the entirety of scripture to give you the big picture. This 34-week favorite returns Sept. 12, 6:30-8:30pm.
• Disciple 3 meets on Wednesdays for 34 weeks, beginning Sept. 8, 7:30-9:30pm: “Remember Who You Are” discusses the Prophets and the letters of Paul.
• Women’s Tuesday morning Bible Study will look at Paul’s letter to the Ephesians. Register by Sept. 6; class begins Sept. 14. Childcare available with advance registration at x351.
• New Men’s Bible Study! Mondays, 7-9pm beginning Sept. 13.

Find out more at www.viennapres.org/fall.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ON AN OPTION ABOVE OR HELP FINDING A PLACE TO CONNECT, PLEASE CONTACT SHANNON.JORDAN@VIENNAPRES.ORG.

Sunday Morning Adult Classes: See p. 8 and www.viennapres.org/SundayAMclasses.

More Opportunities: www.viennapres.org/study
Children’s Room Assignments - Summer Schedule

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* 9:30 & 11:00am: Kindergarten through Grades 5/6 classes are NOT meeting in August or on Sept. 5. All classes will resume Sept. 12.

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

9:30-10:30am: Sunday School and PM Youth Groups are on hiatus for the rest of August and Sept. 5. Underground A.M. (Sunday School) and Underground P.M. (Youth Group) will resume Sept. 12.

Adult Education Classes

9:30am

Beyond Basics: Discussion of To Judge the Quick and the Dead—meanings and implications of “The Law of Christ” as used by the Apostle Paul. Leader: Stephen Skjei. Rooms 203/204.
Coordinator: Kate Lund

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 8am service not required. Parlor.
Facilitator: Judy Chelson

Searchers in the Word will meet with the Beyond Basics class this summer.

Partners With Christ: Please join us beginning Sept. 12 in Room 205 for a study of John Ortberg’s The Me I Want To Be, coinciding with the sermon series. Books available at Grapevine Books. Newcomers always welcome. Questions? Please contact Martha Strauss at 703.319.7050 or wmstrauss@aol.com.

11:00am

Apprentices: Sunday School class is on hiatus for the summer and will resume after Labor Day. Have a wonderful summer. Elaine Ryan, 703.470.1338 or Isaiah122elaine@aol.com


ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) Bible Study: This class is on summer hiatus and will resume Sept. 19.

VPC Core Beliefs
As a disciple-making community, we believe...

Jesus is Lord
Scripture is our authority
Everyone is called to discipleship

VPC Mission
As a disciple-making community, we will...

Call people to faith
Equip people for discipleship
Send people to love and serve