Vienna Presbyterian Church
A Disciple-Making Community

Sermon Series: Gospel in Life

Telling It Like It Is

Acts 2:42-47

October 30, 2011
Prelude

Welcome

Hymn #257
Give Praise to the Lord
Give praise to the Lord, and sing a new song, Amid all the saints God's praises prolong;
A song for your maker and ruler now raise, All children of Zion, rejoice and give praise.

With timbrel and harp and joyful acclaim, With gladness and mirth, we praise Your great name;
For now in Your people good pleasure You seek, With robes of salvation You cover the meek.

In glory exult, all saints of the Lord; With song in the night high praises accord;
Go forth in God’s service and strong in God’s might to conquer all evil and stand for the right.

For this is God's word: the saints shall not fail, But over the earth their power shall prevail;
All kingdoms and nations shall yield to their sway. To God give the glory; sing praises for aye.

Prayer of Adoration and Lord’s Prayer

Worship Song
Indescribable

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea
Creation’s revealing Your majesty
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring
Ev’ry creature unique in the song that it sings. All exclaiming

Chorus
Indescribable uncontainable You placed the stars in the sky and You know them by name
You are amazing God
All powerful untamable, awestruck we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim
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Who has told ev’ry lightning bolt where it should go
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night none can fathom (Chorus 2x)

You are amazing God (Chorus)

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Anthem
O Divine Redeemer

Anna Robinson, Soloist
Gounod

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Prayers of the People

Presentation of Bibles

Offertory
Be Still

Youth Choir
Fettke

During the Offertory, please pass the Friendship Pad.

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Stewardship Message

Wood Parker

Sermon
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Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

Worship Song
A Thousand Tongues

Galbraith

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,
‘Tis music in the sinner’s ears, ‘tis life and health and peace.

Chorus
Jesus, You’re the name above all names, Jesus, Lamb of God.
Jesus, You’re the King of salvation; Who was and is to come.

He breaks the power of canceled sin, He sets the prisoners free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Your name. (Chorus)

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Benediction

Postlude

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Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Please request large-print hymnals from ushers.
Assistive listening devices are available in the balcony from the Sound Technician.
Congregational Response
Draw Me Close

Carpenter

Draw me close to you, never let me go. I lay it all down again, to hear You say that I’m Your friend. You are my desire, no one else will do, ‘cause nothing else could take Your place, To feel the warmth of Your embrace, help me find the way, bring me back to You. Oh, you’re all I want. You’re all I ever needed. You’re all I want, help me know You are near. Help me know You are near.

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Presentation of Bibles
Minute for Witness

Dawn Geschiere
Elizabeth Chapin

Children in Gateways and Bridges, and those receiving bibles are dismissed.

Offertory
One Faith, One Hope, One Lord

Sanctuary Choir
Courtney

Durng the Offertory, please pass the Friendship Pad.

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Stewardship Message

Wood Parker

Sermon
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Hymn #466
O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing; My great Redeemer’s praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of God's grace!

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Cathedral Brass

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**Grieving:** Dee Fallavolita (father); Ford Moseley (brother); the Stonerock family of Vienna (husband/father)

**Hospitalized:** Del Markowski; Erin Allen's nephew; Nancy Eley's friend Alexa (10); Caitlyn Rose's friend Sydney (16); Sim Taylor's sister; Minh Towner's mother

**Facing Tests or Surgery:** Sandra Crippen's brother; Pamela Vining's friend Joshua (12)

**Ill or Convalescing:** Mike Cash; Ed Dawkins; Thelma Haslam; Nancy Huff; Dick Hutcheson; Myrna Ives; Erica Jensen; Jenny Keenan; Charles Killion; Mildred Kratovil; Roland Lucas; Dan Marotto; Nancy Martin; Debbie McBrien; Audrey Neeson; Bill Phillips; Sara Quigley; Eric Robinson; Gloria Sladek; Bill Steinbach; Margaret Takesian; Rick Thompson; Denny

**Family and Friends:** William Buterbaugh's sister and sister-in-law; Beth Crowder's brother; Arayanna Darst's friend Marianne; Christa Davidson's mother, former member Jacque Jeutter; Larry Dowdy's friend Michael; Ruth Dreher's mother; Jim Feather's brother-in-law; Jennifer Fleisher's friend Cathy, her mother & family; Mary Flounlacker's father; Clark Kattenburg's cousin; Liz Kellman's friend Julie; Karen Dunlop's & Neil Kemple's friend Mike; Linda Kemple's friend Laurene; Bruce Knight's sister; Tana Leasure's father; Linda Lyon's son-in-law; Mary Pella's mother; Wendy Rose's friend Jenn's father; Lee Self's mother-in-law; Joy Simmon's friend Jane; Bev Strean's goddaughter; Marnie Sturm's father; Jane Swinehart's son; Dottie Swink's son David; Hendrika Vande Kemp's sister; Pamela Vining's friends Kathy and Margaret & family; Terry Wildermuth's brother; Carolyn Windle's daughter Diane; Daryl Wright's father

**Other:** Ruth Dreher; Vilma Gronning; Lt. Andy Parthum; Phyllis Swenson; Katarina; Sabrina & Linda; Haymarket Crossroads Mission; peaceful resolution of the conflicts in Africa and the Middle East; all people hit hard by natural disasters in the US, Haiti, Japan and others, and all those working on their behalf; persecuted Christians in Egypt, Iraq, Pakistan and the Sudan

**Missions/Missionaries of the week:** Hank Paulsen, New Hope, Eastern Europe (Inter- national); Wes Barts, Intervarsity, VA Tech & Radford (National); Committee for Helping Others (CHO), Vienna (Local)

**Congratulations to:** Lee & Sophia Ott on the birth of Audrey Sky Ott on October 17. The proud grandparents are Stan & Ann Marie Ott. We also congratulate Serena McClam & Howard Liebengood, who were married at VPC on October 22.

**A note of thanks:** “Kathleen is home now and doing great. We deeply appreciate all the prayers and concerns that we received from our VPC family for Kathleen. It is a miracle that she is doing so well. Thank you so much.” Avice & Bob Hill


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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; CALL the church office at 703.938.9050, x301; E-MAIL linda.kemple@viennapres.org; or enter a prayer request ONLINE via www.viennapres.org/prayerrequest

Please ensure that you have permission before submitting a 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.
Announcements

VISITORS AND GUESTS – WELCOME TO VPC!

We are delighted you are here. Here are some ways to make the first steps on your spiritual journey at VPC easier. For more information, please visit www.viennapres.org/firststeps or contact Shannon Jordan at 703.938.9050 x123 or shannon.jordan@viennapres.org

Step 1: Visit the Welcome Table in the narthex for a gift, then visit the Great Hall for coffee.

Step 2: Orientation to the Journey: November 13, Room 108C, 11am. This class is an opportunity to look at who we are as a church, find out what we believe, ask questions, and find where you might fit. Come to the Great Hall, get a cup of coffee or tea, and look for our sign.

Step 3: “Invitation to the Journey” class: In this more in-depth look at our mission, beliefs, values, and practices, discover what we mean by “learning to follow Jesus with your life” and “living your life as Jesus would.” This 3-week class also serves as the pathway to membership at VPC. Please contact Linda Kemple (x100) to register and for more information. Next classes: January 22, February 5, and February 12, 2012.

Step 4: Share the Journey in a Small Group: Grow in Christ and connect with others. For more information go to viennapres.org/smallgroups or email smallgroups@viennapres.org

Surviving the Holidays

In past years, the Christmas holiday season may have been a time of great anticipation and excitement … but this year, the prospect of facing the holidays may cause anxiety and dread. You are not alone.

Here you can connect with support, encouragement, and advice to survive the holidays

Passages… designed to support men and women who are experiencing the pain of marital separation or divorce.

Tuesday, November 8, 7 to 9pm.

Griefshare… for those grieving the death of a loved one.

Saturday, November 19, 10-12:00, Room 203.

Free with donations accepted to cover cost of materials. For more information or to pre-register (not required but helpful), please go to griefshare@viennapres.org
November 13, Town Green

Join our local 3-mile **CROP Hunger Walk**
Register Today: in front of the bookstore or [viennacropwalk.org](http://viennacropwalk.org)

And stop by the **Alternative Gift Mart** in the Gathering Space, 9am-1pm. The Alternative Gift Market offers shoppers a chance to support worthy local and international projects. Start your holiday shopping early with these unique gifts.

**You CAN make a difference!**

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**Bridgepoint Luncheon** presents

*The Impact of Integrity*

November 11, 12-1:15pm
Maggiano’s, Tysons Corner
$20: Includes lunch & program
Register at [viennapres.org/bpluncheon](http://viennapres.org/bpluncheon)

**Career Networking Night**

Wednesday, November 16
7-9pm
Fairview Park Marriott
$10 in advance
Register at [viennapres.org/careernight](http://viennapres.org/careernight)
For info: Phil Kratovil 703.937.1897

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**Come to the Great Banquet Gathering:**

Saturday
November 12
6pm
Great Hall

A spirit-filled praise and worship service for everyone, with music by Work In Progress. Child Friendly. Bring your friends! Stay for refreshments and fellowship after the service

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**Connecting 20s, 30s, singles & marrieds, socially & spiritually**

**Thursday, November 3**
7:15pm
Great Hall

For additional information: [viennapres.org/refuel](http://viennapres.org/refuel)
or Shannon Jordan at 703.938.9050 x123
or Shannon.jordan@viennapres.org
Chances are…

your whole experience this morning is by the generosity of God through the gifts of others.*

How are you using your generous gifts from God?

Pledge Sunday 11.13.11

*43% of our income to date has been gifted by approximately 3% of this congregation.
GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Confirmation Class registration closes today! If your high school student intends to participate in the Confirmation process, you must register them at viennapres.org/confirmationclass.

Student Ministries Costume Party: Tonight, 6-9pm. Middle and High schoolers break out your best Phineas and Ferb, Toy Story, Hannah Montana, or other Disney costume and join us tonight for our Disney-themed Costume Party from 6-9 in the Underground. We will also collect monetary donations for the Crop Walk. Come join us for some great food, fun, contests, and games and maybe win some great prizes.

SWATT (55+) Nov. 3 bus trip to the Virginia historic homes of the Washington family and the Lee family (Ferry Farms, Kenmore, and Stratford Hall). Paid reservation of $44 for bus/entrance fees; lunch on your own at Yesterdays. Contact Dee Anderson, 703.620.2032 or adspecu@aol.com.


VPC NEWS/UPDATES

Club 56: Pumpkin Bash, bring your carved pumpkins for a smashing good time! Church parking lot, 4:30-5:30pm, November 1. And join us for Operation Christmas Child, November 11, 3rd floor, 7pm.

Joyful Noise: A new children's choir for Kindergartners and 1st-graders! We will meet in room 321 at 5:30 most Sundays. To register: viennapres.org/ChildrensChoir

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Moldova Scarf Delivery: All finished products must be delivered to the church office by October 31. Contact Anna Katherine Scott at rakscott@verizon.net.

Angel Tree, sponsored by Prison Ministries, provides Christmas gifts to children of incarcerated adults across America. “Adopt” a family and purchase and mail two Christmas gifts each to children of these families. Our gifts minister to their hearts in this time of struggle. Tricia Hine, PLHine@hotmail.com or 703.863.4590.

Advent Coordinator Needed to run the Advent family event on November 27. Please contact Dawn Geschiere for details: dawn.geschiere@viennapres.org.

Cameron Glen Nursing Home, Reston: Volunteers needed to help residents ring chimes. Meet 10:15-11:30, Saturday mornings. Volunteers needed through December. You may volunteer for as little as one week; more would be great. Teenagers may earn volunteer credits. Laura Macqueen lmacqueen10@gmail.com.

CHO Christmas Store At VPC: CHO is looking for your help both setting up the morning of December 9 and helping clients at our Christmas Store on December 10. For more information, call Carolyn Mysel at 703-938-7213.

CHO Christmas Store Donations Needed: donations of food cards for families, gift cards for teens, new toys for children 12 and under, lightly worn winter coats and jackets, and bikes in good riding condition. Donations have slowed down this year, but the need has grown in the Vienna area. For more information, call Carolyn Mysel at 703-938-7213.

More Service Opportunities: www.viennapres.org/serve

MAKING VPC A SAFE CHURCH

... it really is up to you.

REGISTER today at www.VIRTUS.org
SELECT Vienna Presbyterian Church.
CHOOSE a date that is convenient for you.

Next training date:
Thurs., November 10, 9:30-12:30, Lower Level
Tues., November 15, 6:30-9:30, Great Hall

Childcare available with 48-hr. notice at childcare@viennapres.org
Learn more at www.viennapres.org/virtus
NewSpring Hotline: 703.937.1889
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CARE MINISTRIES

At VPC, a number of ministries are dedicated to caregiving, healing, and support. To learn more, visit viennapres.org/care

GriefShare: for those grieving the death of a loved one. Sundays, 6-7:30pm, room 203/204. More info in the GriefShare brochures in the Gathering Space and the narthex or at GriefShare@viennapres.org

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

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

NewSpring Leadership Team: To help with event planning, praying for the community, caring for abuse survivors, and researching safe-church practices, contact Jeanie Thomas, jthom1231@verizon.net, or david.jordan-haas@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050.

Passages: For those experiencing marital separation or divorce. Information: passages@viennapres.org or Romey McPherson, 703.478.9794. Tuesday nights, 7-9pm.

Stephen Ministers: Offers confidential, one-on-one care for people going through crises. For information: lee.taylor@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 x103.

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

To register or for more information: viennapres.org/study or contact Shannon Jordan at 703.938.9050 x123

Great Banquet is a three-day spiritual renewal weekend for men and women who wish to strengthen their knowledge of Jesus Christ and make a renewed commitment to their faith. The Men’s fall retreat was this past weekend. There will be another opportunity in the spring. The Women’s Great Banquet is Nov. 3-6. The Northern Virginia Great Banquet Community (NOVA GB) hosts the 3-day weekends at VPC. For more info: novagb.org

Women’s Tuesday Morning Bible Study
“Transformations of the Heart: Studies from Romans”. 9:30-11:30am, 3rd floor.

Women’s Tuesday Evening Bible Study
A Heart Like His: Seeking the Heart of God Through a Study of David by Beth Moore. 7:15-9pm, lower level.

Monday Night Men’s Group: 7-8:30pm, 3rd floor. Led by Pastors Pete James and Ed Dawkins and Phil Kratovil on The Gospel in Life. For information and to register, please visit viennapres.org/study

Fall Devotionals: Gospel in Life. Copies available in the narthex, online, and on Twitter. Details at viennapres.org/devotionals

For all Sunday morning study opportunities, see back page of bulletin.

Contributions Update

2011 Ministry and Missions Budget: $3,751,504

Year-to-date budget as of October 31, 2011: $2,689,811

Contributions received as of October 26, 2011: $2,581,211

Total contributions needed to meet our October budget: $108,600

Total Contributions needed to meet our budget by the end of the year: $1,117,029

Thank you very much for your faithful support of God’s work at Vienna Presbyterian Church.
Sunday Mornings at VPC

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Middle and High School Sunday Youth Services

- Lower Level, 9-9:30am, Light Breakfast Served
- 9:30-10:30, Sunday School
- Middle School Youth Group, 5-7pm
- High School Youth Group, 6:30-8:30pm

Adult Education Classes

9:30am


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

Partners With Christ: are studying Tim Keller’s Gospel in Life series coinciding with the sermon series. All newcomers welcome. Contact Martha Strauss, wmstrauss@aol.com or 703.319.7050. Room 205.

Foundations: Growing Together in God’s Word! Discussing In the Grip of Grace by Max Lucado. Facilitators: John and Kathy Draper, 703.539.8300 or jkdraper@ymail.com, Parlor.

11am

Apprentices: Fall study of Ephesians using Max Lucado’s Life Lessons series. Newcomers are always welcome. Contact Elaine Ryan, 703.470.1338 or isaiah122elaine@aol.com, Room 205.

Berean: Bible Study Class studying the book of Colossians using Warren Wiersbe’s commentary. All are welcome to join us. Contact John and Nancy Davidovich at jadavidovich@verizon.net, Room 203/4.

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) Bible Study: Room 317

Christianity Explored: 8-week course exploring the essentials of Christian faith. Oct. 16-Dec. 11, 2nd-floor conference room. Phil Kratovil at phil.kratovil@viennapres.org or 703.937.1897.

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- Shannon Jordan

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