Vienna Presbyterian Church
A Disciple-Making Community

Sermon Series: Songs of the Messiah

Song of Isaiah

Isaiah 9:2-7

November 27, 2011
Sunday Worship 8:00

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship and Lighting of Advent Wreath

Revival

Hymn #9
O Come, O Come Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer Our spirits by Thine advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And death's dark shadows put to flight.
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Bid envy, strife, and discord cease; Fill the whole world with heaven's peace.
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Prayer of Adoration

Worship Song
Amazed

You dance over me while I am unaware.
You sing all around but I never hear the sound.

Chorus:
Lord, I’m amazed by You, Lord, I’m amazed by You.
Lord, I’m amazed by You, and how You love me.

You paint the morning sky with miracles in minds.
My hope will always stand for You hold me in Your hand. (chorus 2x)

How deep, how deep. How wide, how wide.
How great, how great, Is Your love for me. (repeat) (chorus 2x)

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Anthem
Light of the World

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Please request large-print hymnals from ushers.
Assistive listening devices are available in the balcony from the Sound Technician.
During the Offertory, please pass the Friendship Pad.

Scripture
Isaiah 9:2-7

Sermon
Glenda Simpkins Hoffman
Song of Isaiah
Sermon Series: Songs of the Messiah

Worship Song
Our God

Water You turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind.
There’s no one like You, None like You.
Into the darkness You shine, Out of the ashes we rise.
There’s no one like You, None like You.

(Chorus)
Our God is greater, Our God is stronger.
Our God is higher than any other.
Our God is healer, Awesome in power.
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Benediction

Postlude

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Work In Progress

Robin Mark

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David Ray

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Baptism
9:30 Sophie Grace Strahan, child of Jamison & Andrea Strahan
11:00 Henry Isaac Lochhaas, child of Jonathan & Amy Lochhaas
Riley Katherine Mull, child of Michael & Carol Mull

Bridges and Gateways classes are dismissed.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Offertory
Blessings

Work In Progress
Laura Story

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**Grieving:** Linda Broyhill (mother)

**Hospitalized:** Christi Novak’s stepfather; Michelle Rahal’s mother

**Facing Tests or Surgery:** Audrey Neeson; Jo Ann Talley; Tana Leasure’s friend Robert; Pamela Vining’s friend Joshua (12); Melissa

**Homebound:** Frank & Bea Blasdell

**Ill or Convalescing:** Curt Anderson; Ed Dawkins; Myrna Ives; Mary Ellen Keaton; Jenny Keenan; Charles Killion; Nancy Martin; Debbie McBrien; Bill Phillips; Eric Robinson; Gloria Sladek; Bill Steinbach; Margaret TAKESIAN; Rick Thompson; Betsy Trickey; Walter Whitt (14)

**Family and Friends:** William Buterbaugh’s sister and sister-in-law; Sandra Crippen’s brother; Beth Crowder’s brother; Arayanna Darst’s brother Dayheem; Christa Davidson’s mother, former member Jacque Jeutter; Ruth Dreher’s mother; Mary Flounlacker’s mother; Michelle Rahal’s mother; Susie L/'Monroe’s friend Darrell; Liz Kellman’s friend Julie; Karen Dunlop’s & Neil Kemple’s friend Mike; Phyllis Lauber’s friend Mary Ann; Linda Lyon’s son-in-law; Beth Mackliet’s friend Michael; Fay Morrison’s son Paul; Libby Mosher’s grandfather; Mark Pella’s mother; Lee Self’s mother-in-law; Chris Shenefiel’s friend missionary’s child, Anavah (2); Mary Ann Singlaub’s brother-in-law; Barbara Spiller’s friend Shirley; Bev Stearn’s goddaughter; Marnie Sturm’s father; Jane Swinehart’s son; Dottie Swink’s son David; Leslie Vereide’s father; Pamela Vining’s friends Kathy and Margaret & family; Carolyn Windle’s daughter Diane; Daryl Wright’s father

**Other:** Ruth Dreher; Vilma Gronning; 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, Turkey and others, and all those working on their behalf; persecuted Christians in Egypt, Iraq, Pakistan and the Sudan

**Missions/Missionaries of the week:** Community Coalition for Haiti (CCH), Haiti, (International); Dan Flynn, Campus Crusade, JMU, Harrisonburg, VA (National); ESOL program at VPC (Local)

**We give God thanks** for John & Peg Boag, who joined VPC on 12/3/61 (50 years)!

**Congratulations to:** Mindy Link & Tommy Imron, who were married at VPC on November 12.


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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: December 11, 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

Gifts from the Heart
Alternate ways to give to those in need

There are people in our backyard that are hungry, homeless, unemployed…there is an endless need for food, clothing, gifts for Christmas and more.

Come by the Giving Tree.
Take a tag, buy a gift, lend a hand.

Great Hall
Sundays 9am-12:30pm
TODAY through Dec. 18

Gift opportunities include: Grocery food cards for the hungry, coats, hats, and shoes for the homeless, toys for the CHO Christmas store, baby formula, diapers, and children’s Bibles.

Contacts: Carol Adcock at 703.242.8765 or proudhobe.american@verizon.net or Sue Hamblen at sue.hamblen@viennapres.org

You can’t do everything, but you can do something.
Advent Service of Wholeness
December 4, 7pm, VPC Great Hall

There are Christmases and holidays when we’re hurting and unable to feel celebratory as others seem to be able to do. Make space and time to acknowledge your sadness and concern.

Know that you are not alone.

Come and join in sharing and hearing prayers, Scripture, and music that acknowledge God's presence with those who mourn and those who struggle—allow God's Word to shine light into the darkness.

Family Advent Celebration
Today,
3rd-Floor Activity Center, 3-5pm
Dinner in the Great Hall, 5-6pm

Bring family and friends to celebrate the start of the holiday season!!
- Crafts for all children, ages 3 through 6th grade
- Time to think about the real meaning of Advent
- Carols
- And, of course, food!

Costs: Cost of crafts is $6 per child, with a maximum of $15 per family. Cost of food is $5 per person, or $12 for a family of 3, or $15 for a family of 4 or more

This is a family event; please, no drop-offs.
No reservations needed.

For more information please contact Karen Covell at karen.covell@viennapres.org

Advent Devotionals
Get Yours:
In the Narthex
Online
Twitter
By Email

PW Women's Advent Worship
Wednesday, November 30,
7:30pm, in the sanctuary

Follow the Star;
Bring Who You Are

take a break between the crush of Thanksgiving and the rush to Christmas.

Childcare is available with 48-hour advance reservation at 703.938.9050, x 351.

Ceremony of Carols
a choral masterwork by Benjamin Britten
and Dancing Day by John Rutter

Featuring a select women’s chorus, largely from the VPC youth choir, with renowned harpist, Holly Avesian.

Concert is free; tickets required, available at Grapevine Books.
(A freewill offering will be received)

Sunday, Nov. 27, 7:30pm, Chapel
The people of Vienna Presbyterian Church (that’s you) have incredible potential to touch lives...

Lives of people who matter to God.

Is there a better investment than that?

“Everything we have is on loan from God…”

Pledge today for 2012
GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebration and Joy Ringers: No Practice Today, November 27.

No Middle or High School Sunday School or Youth Group Today. Students, please go to worship with your friends and family and/or volunteer with Children’s Ministries; Sunday school and the Family Advent Celebration.

VPC Office Hours: Offices are open 8:30am to 5pm, Monday through Friday. For after-hours volunteer access, please contact Mary Monie, 703.938.9050 x110 or mary.monie@viennapres.org.

Club 56 Christmas Movie Night: Friday, Dec. 2, 6-9:30pm. Watch two movies and practice a couple of carols together for caroling on Dec. 9th! All 5th/6th graders welcome.

Club 56 Caroling: Friday, Dec. 9, 6-9pm. Meet at VPC. Pickup at the Sheridan’s house at 9pm: 2680 Oakton Glen Drive, Vienna, 703.938.3408. Last name: A-L bring chips/pretzels/popcorn, M-Z bring cookies. For transportation purposes, please RSVP by Dec. 7 to: daryl.wright@viennapres.org or 703-938-9050 x126

Kid’s Nation Caroling: Friday, Dec.16, 6-8:30pm Meet at VPC. Pickup on the 3rd floor at 8:30pm Last name: A-L bring chips/pretzels/popcorn, M-Z bring cookies. For transportation purposes, please RSVP by Dec. 14 to daryl.wright@viennapres.org

The Sanctuary Choir invites and welcomes adults interested in joining and singing. Audition not required. Rehearsals are most Thursday evenings to sing most 9:30 and/or 11:00 Sunday services. Contact or approach any choir member for information.

SWATT (Christian Fellowship for Seniors 55+) Annual Christmas Luncheon Dec 14, 12:15, in the festively decorated Great Hall. Bring a friend and enjoy a catered buffet. Rejoice in singing traditional hymns and carols in celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. $25 reservation required by Dec. 1. Contact Priscilla Skjei, 703.938.4623 or pskjei@verizon.net

Alternative Gifts through Dec. 18. CCH offers Christmas gifts at Grapevine Books and “Gifts from the Heart.” Purchase a gift goat or pig and receive a free Christmas ornament, while supplies last. Also available: Haitian crafts and packs of “Haiti is Hot” sauce. Wanda Vander Nat, wevn@verizon.net


Poinsettia Memorial signup: $20 per plant. Sign-up sheet on narthex table. Make check payable to VPC (write “Poinsettias” in memo). Place envelope in collection plate or mail to church office. Deadline is December 4. Questions? Contact barbstrite@aol.com.

U. S. Army Christmas Concert: FREE tickets are available after all services at the sign-up table. Performances are Fri., Dec 9, 8pm; Sat., Dec. 10, 3pm and 8pm; Sun., Dec. 11, 3pm. DAR Constitution Hall. VPC has received a limited number of tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis. Al Grouge, 703.620.9360.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Angel Tree sponsored by Prison Ministries: “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.

Volunteers Needed for Our Vienna Church Street Stroll/Outreach! Monday evening, November 28, 6-9pm, hundreds of people will stroll up Church Street to celebrate the start of the Christmas season. We will provide a Christmas carol sing-along in the chapel and refreshments and gifts for those who stroll by. Volunteer to help with food, greeting, or chapel music. Contact Phil Kratovil, 703.937.1897 or phil.kratovil@viennapres.org

Hanging of the Greens: Embrace the holiday spirit and join us in the Hanging of the Greens at VPC. Come and stay all day. Lunch will be provided. Or come just for the morning or afternoon. Wednesday, November 30, 9:30am to 5pm. Childcare is not available. RSVP to Barb Strite, barbstrite@aol.com

Miriam’s Kitchen is in need of your old ceramic coffee mugs. Please bring yours in and leave them in the box by the church office.

CHO Christmas Store at VPC: Help in 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.

Our Daily Bread: Volunteers needed to sort food donations into bags on Saturday, December 10, and deliver the donated food items to families on Sunday, December 11. Contact Matt Stockburger, mstock_w@yahoo.com

Cunningham Park Elementary School Mentoring: Join the SWATT Team in this afterschool program. Come meet your neighbors and make a difference in the life of a child. Open to high school students and older. Contact Sue Hamblen at sue.hamblen@viennapres.org

More Service Opportunities: www.viennapres.org/serve
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. Room 203/204

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

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.


Financial Peace University: Stop worrying about money; start your journey to Financial Peace. Classes will meet for two hours weekly for 13 weeks, Wednesday evenings, starting January 18. Make plans to join us! Contact Phil Kratovil at phil.kratovil@viennapres.org

Partners In Christ: New Sunday morning class starts December 4, 9:30am: Westminster Confessions of Faith. Discussion leader, Charles Geschiere. Contact Martha Strauss for study guide: wmstrauss@aol.com

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 November 30, 2011: $2,994,096

Contributions and income received as of November 2, 2011: $2,642,960

Total contributions and income needed to meet our November budget: $351,136

Total contributions needed to meet our budget by the end of the year: $1,108,544

As of October 31, we were $46,751 behind in our contributions and income expectations.

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

Children’s Room Assignments

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Middle and High School Sunday Youth Services
Lower Level, 9-9:30am, Light Breakfast Served
9:30-10:30am, 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 In Christ: Discussions on the Westminster Confessions of Faith led by Rev. Charles Geschiere. Begins Dec. 4 at 9:30 in room 205. Contact Martha Strauss for study guide: wmstrauss@aol.com

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

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. Contact John & 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.