Vienna Presbyterian Church
A Disciple-Making Community

Sermon Series: I Believe
A Study of the Apostles’ Creed

Jesus: The Autobiography of God

John 1:1-18

March 4, 2012
How Great Is Our God

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!

And 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, the Lion and the Lamb. (Chorus)

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

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Welcome

God of Grace and God of Glory  #420 (v. 1, 4, 5)

God of grace and God of glory, On thy people pour Thy power.
Crown thine ancient church’s story; Bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, For the facing of this hour.

Set our feet on lofty places, Gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces, pledged to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail not them nor Thee! That we fail not them nor Thee!

Save us from weak resignation To the evils we deplore.
Let the gift of Thy salvation be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving Thee whom we adore, serving Thee whom we adore.

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Anthem

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Pete James

Youth Orchestra

Pethel

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.
Offertory
To Know the Love of God

During the Offertory, please pass the Friendship Pad.

Youth Choir
Petker

Prayer of Dedication and Doxology

Scripture
John 1:1-18

Pages OT

Sermon
Jesus: The Autobiography of God
Sermon Series: iBelieve: The Apostles’ Creed

Dale Bruner

Communion
When Peace Like a River

Sophie Swago, Cello
Althouse

Above All

LeBlanc/Baloche

Above all powers, above all kings, Above all nature and all created things,
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man, You were here before the world began.
Above all kingdoms, above all thrones, Above all wonders the world has ever known,
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Benediction

Postlude

Terry Sisk, organ
Sunday Worship 9:30 & 11:00

Prelude
O God Our Help in Ages Past

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Children’s Message (9:30)   
Daryl Wright

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer (11:00)

Offertory
Lord, Here I AM   
John Ness Beck

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Jesu Joy of Man’s Desiring   
Baldwin
If Thou Be Near   
Beeler

Hymn #485
To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory, great things He hath done! So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, Who yielded His life an atonement for sin, And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Refrain:
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, And give Him the glory: great things He hath done.

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done, And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; But purer, and higher, and greater will be Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]

Benediction

Postlude
Chaconne   
Couperin
**Prayers**

**Grieving:** Martha Garrett (cousin); Tana Leasure (father); Kelly Miller (uncle); Wendy Rose’s friend Renee & family (daughter 14)

**Hospitalized:** Rick Thompson; John Wyche; Dee Burns’s brother Jack; Danny & Janice Femal’s infant grandson, Felix; Linda Lyon’s friend Jessica; Sim Taylor’s sister

**Facing Tests or Surgery:** Pamela Vining’s friends Joshua (12), Charles and Peter

**Homebound:** Alice Burroughs

**Ill or Convalescing:** Cindy Alls; Sylvia Bergert; Cindy Bolbach (a member of our Presbytery who has asked for our prayers); Candice Dugger; Connie Kanady; Jenny Keenan; Charles Killion; Roland Lucas; Nancy Martin; Brian Michael (Hospice); Audrey Neeson; Elsa Norris; Bill Phillips; Katie Richardson (10); Eric Robinson; Kathryn Robison; Gloria Sladek; Margaret Takesian; Mindy Thomas; Phyllis Wilcox

**Family and Friends:** Jean Anspaugh’s friend Karen; Jenny Banks’s friend Ben; Dee Burn’s brother William; William Buterbaugh’s sister and sister-in-law; Sandra Crippen’s brother; Beth Crowder’s brother; Donna DeLanyo’s niece Ellie; Gail Doughty’s aunt (Hospice); Bill Downer’s friend Harry; Jay Flounlacker’s brother; Mary Flounlacker’s father; Elaine Hamlet’s grandson Sammy (2-1/2); Sarah-Joy Hunter’s aunt; Bert Johnson’s nephew Ari; Michelle Jones’s sisters Donna and Sharon and brother Lamar, Aunt Harriet (100), and friend Paulette; Lynn Lotocki’s aunt (1/2); Linda Lyon’s son-in-law; Steve McBrien’s friend Terry’s parents; the Brad Miller family’s friend Elaine; Audrey Neeson’s sister-in-law Anne; Kathy O’Brien’s sister; Pam O’Connell’s father; Kate Priester’s friend Whitney; Pam Priester’s friend Mike; Michelle Rahal’s mother; Gina Riegelman’s friend Liya; Wendy Rose’s friend Cindy; Lauren Sandercock’s friend Shari; Bev Strean’s goddaughter; Marnie Sturm’s father; Phyllis Swenson’s brother; Holly Tunstall’s parents; Ella Tynch’s great-grandmother; Pamela Vining’s friend Caden(2) and family; Carolyn Windle’s granddaughter Lydia; Daryl Wright’s father; Sabrina’s aunt; Charles Ripple; Thomas Tinklepaugh; Joy Upright

**Other:** Kimberly Allstun & family; Vilma Gronning; Mary Ellen Keaton; Patricia Namisi; Sabrina; Susan Aucahey-Pierce’s friend Nancy; Anne Dunn’s friends Josh & Michelle; Haymarket Crossroads Mission; peaceful resolution of the conflicts in northern Africa and the Middle East; persecuted Christians in Egypt, Iraq, Pakistan and the Sudan

**Please also hold in prayer** a group from First Baptist Church of Vienna & VPC (including Sue Hamblen, Julie Kim, Wood & Emmy Parker and Knox Singleton), returning today from a mission trip to Haiti on behalf of CCH (2/29-3/4).

**Missons/Missionaries of the week:** Russ & Sue Carr, Sports Outreach, Africa (Inter-national); Johnson C. Smith Seminary, Atlanta (National); Miriam’s Kitchen, Washington, DC (Local)


**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.kenple@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: March 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.” Please contact Linda Kemple (x100) to register and for more information. Next classes: April 15, 22, & 29.

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

Children’s Summer Camp Registration is open.

Register at viennapres.org/vbs

Creativity Camp, June 20-22
Vacation Bible School “Sky,” July 9-13
Children’s Missions Week, July 30-Aug 3

Meadowkirk, June 25-29
Music & Drama Camp, July 23-27

Contact Karen Covell at Karen.covell@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 x125
Let’s not…

“fall short”

do our goal…

250,000
hours of service!

*Every Hour counts: teaching, ushering, cooking, serving others…*

Register your hours today:

viennapres.org/CountMyHours

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Why is giving important?

Supporting your church supports bringing the gospel to those in need, children, youth, and families here and abroad, as well as food for the hungry, shelter for the homeless and care for those who feel abandoned.

What can you do?

Regular contributions toward your pledge help meet monthly obligations. Early contributions toward a once a year pledge are helpful, if you are able. If you haven’t pledged, please consider making a generous gift now.”

Ministry and Missions Funding

2012 Ministry and Missions Budget: $3,888,901
Anticipated income through February 2012: $594,191
Actual income through February 2012: $472,696

Contribution shortfall as of February 29, 2012: $121,495*

Debt Retirement Funding

2012 Debt Retirement Budget (minimum payments): $436,200
Amount pledged for debt retirement in 2012: $743,774
Contributions as of February 2012: $84,564

*This shortfall is significant. This giving pattern could force substantial reductions to the Ministry and Missions budget.*

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Growing Your Child’s Soul: Parent Classes

Sundays: Today, March 11, and 18
9:30 & 11:00am
Rooms 108a/b

All classes are appropriate for parents with any age child.

For more details, contact Dawn Geschiere at dawn.geschiere@viennapres.org

Help the Presbyterian Church USA to live out its mission to alleviate human suffering.

Place your spare change in the Fish Banks located in the Narthex and in the Great Hall. And look for Fish Banks to come home with our youth group and children’s ministries students.

Get your copy online, by email, on twitter, or pick up a copy in the narthex.

Pastor Glenda further develops her ideas on her blog, Growing in Grace.
growingingracevpc.blogspot.com

New Devotional Series
GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Widows and Widowers luncheon will meet on Saturday March 17, 12 noon at The Olive Garden, 8133 Leesburg Pike, Vienna VA. Please call Carolyn Windle 703-938-5516 if you have questions or need further information.

SWATT (Christian Fellowship for Seniors 55+): See the Capitol Steps perform at JMHS. March 25 at 4pm Optional: dine after the show at Tequila Grande (Dutch treat). Capitol Steps tickets at $23 available only through SWATT for seniors. Contact Ronniejean Irvin, 703.273.4113 or rbirvin@gmail.com.

Weekend to Remember Marriage Conference: Celebrate your marriage and focus on God's best for you as a couple! March 16-18 (Poconos, PA), March 23-25 (Reston, VA), and April 13-15 (Gaylord Center). Brochures available in the narthex. Register up to a day preceding conference for a group-rate savings of 50% off. Financial assistance available. Register at www.familylife.com or 1-800-FL-TODAY (Group Name: VPC). More information: Bruce & Julie Knight, 703.691.3406 or BJKnight@msn.com

ESOL 3rd Annual Dinner: Tuesday, March 27, 7-8:30pm, Great Hall. Come celebrate with the ESOL students and families. Enjoy food, music, and fellowship. RSVP to this church-wide event by March 23 to Carla Davies at carladavies2010@yahoo.com.

Assistant Director of ESOL for details see viennapres.org/openings. Please send resumes to Michelle Lowell at michelle.lowell@viennapres.org by March 12.

VIRTUS Training: Register today at virtus.org: select Vienna Presbyterian Church. Choose a training date that works for you! Sessions available through August 2012. Childcare available with 48-hr. notice. Learn more at viennapres.org/virtus

Sacraments Classes for 3rd-6th Graders: Sundays: March 25, April 15, 22, and 29. Separate simultaneous classes for parents and children. Families will attend worship together at 9:30am, then break out for classes at 11am. For those children not yet baptized, baptism will be offered on April 29 (at 8:00 and 9:30 services). Celebration of the Lord’s Supper and a reception for the families will be on Sunday, May 6. Contact Dawn Geschiere, Director of Children’s Ministries, dawn.geschiere@viennapres.org Register at: viennapres.org/ministries/children/sacraments

Club 56: Annual Lock-In March 9-10! Contact Daryl Wright for all the details. daryl.wright@viennapres.org

The Middle School Lock In: March 23-24, 9pm-7am $16 Register now to reserve your spot! All the details: viennapres.org/ministries/students/hub_events/

Looking for a Summer Missions Project? Dates and trip locations are now posted at viennapres.org/SMP. We are still looking for adult co-leaders for most trips. Please contact Barry Hill at barry.hill@viennapres.org or Melissa Jensen at melissa.jensen@viennapres.org for more details.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday Morning Childcare Providers: Adult volunteers or teenagers needed, especially during the 8:00 service. For more information, please contact: Sundaynursery@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 x137 or come to the childcare wing Sunday mornings.

The Friendship Class: Join the teaching team for this 9:30 am Sunday class! If you have a heart for this special group and want to find out more about what's involved, contact Shannon at Shannon.jordan@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 x123.

More Service Opportunities: 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

Caregivers Support Group: 7-8:30pm, meeting the first and third Monday of each month. Room 109. Facilitator: Charles Geschiere, Any who find themselves in a caregiver role to an aging parent, relative, friend, or child are invited and encouraged to participate. Contact Charles at 703.938.9050 x151 or charles.geschiere@viennapres.org

GriefShare: Begins Today! For those grieving the death of a loved one. Room 203/204, 6-7:30pm. Open to the community at large as well as VPC members. GriefShare brochures are in the Gathering Space and the narthex, and information can also be obtained by e-mailing 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 luckylist32@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.


Stephen Ministers: confidential, one-on-one care for people going through crises of many types. 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: Fruit of the Spirit: Discover how to let the Holy Spirit change you from the inside out! Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30am, 3rd floor. Childcare available with advance registration. Contact Shannon at shannon.jordan@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 x123.

Monday Night Men’s Group: 7-8:30pm, 3rd floor. Led by Rev. Pete James, Rev. Ed Dawkins, and Phil Kratovil. All are welcome!

Worry much? If you struggle with worry, then join the Tuesday Evening Women’s Bible study to read and discuss Scripture’s take on worry through Linda Dillow’s Calm My Anxious Heart. Contact Dee Fallavollita at bdfall@verizon.net

Tuesday Morning Men’s Bible Study: Please come join in our study of the Book of John. 7am, 2nd-floor conference room. Contact Dale Luddeke at 703.626.6840 for additional info.

THE GREAT PIG-OUT!

Friday, March 16
6-8:30pm
Great Hall

“Hog Wild!” with special guest Jeff Bostic
Washington Redskin’s “Hog”

Cost: $20
Includes pig viewing & fresh-roasted dinner.
RSVP online by Wednesday, March 14.
Bring a friend, co-worker, or neighbor for $10.

Register today at viennapres.org/steakout

Who is Jesus?
Why did he come?
What is involved in following him?

Sundays, 9:30-10:30am, thru - April 15
Second-floor conference room

Cost: $10. Includes two books and study guide.

For more information and to reserve your spot, contact Phil Kratovil at 703.937.1897 or phil.kratovil@viennapres.org
Children’s Room Assignments

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Middle and High School Sunday Youth Services
Lower Level, Light Breakfast Served, 9-9:30am
Sunday School, 9:30-10:30
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.


In the Grip of Grace by Max Lucado: Food, friends, and scripture: you’re invited! Contacts for Foundations Class: John and Kathy Draper, 703.539.8300 or jkdraper@ymail.com. Parlor.

11am
Study Watchman Nee, A Normal Christian Life, with the Apprentices Class, Newcomers are always welcome. Contact Elaine Ryan, 703.470.1338 or isaiah122elaine@aol.com Room 205.

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

How do we live as Christians? How can we learn to be disciples? Practical Christian Living. Contact Phil Kratovil at phil.kratovil@viennapres.org or 703.937.1897. 2nd-floor conference room.

Study of the book of Philippians: Berean Adult Bible Study. All are welcome. Contacts: John and Nancy Davidovich, 703.938.4775. Room 203/204.