Vienna Presbyterian Church
A Disciple-Making Community
Christmas Eve
December 24, 2012
4:00 and 5:15 pm
Prelude
Terry Sisk, organist

Welcome
Pastor Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

Call to Worship and Lighting of the Advent Wreath
(4:00) Chappell Family
(5:15) Kenney Family

* O Come, All Ye Faithful
* Indicates please stand and sing.

O come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!
Come, and behold Him, Born the King of angels!

Refrain
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!

Yea, Lord we greet Thee, born this happy morning, Jesus to Thee be all glory given;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing! (Refrain)

The Jesse Tree
Dawn Geschiere and friends

The Jesse Tree: Old Testament

* O Little Town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by. Yet in thy dark streets shineth The everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee tonight.

How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given! So God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of His Heaven. No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive Him, still the dear Christ enters in.

The Jesse Tree: The Birth of Jesus

* Away in a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for His bed, The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay, The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay Close by me forever and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care, And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there.

Life Is…Messy
Pastor Glenda Simpkins Hoffman
* Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King. Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!”

Joyful, all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the sun of righteousness! Light and life to all He brings, Risen with healing in His wings.

Mild He lays His glory by, Born that we no more may die, Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us second birth. Hark! The herald angels sing “Glory to the newborn King!”

Messiness, Miracles, and the Meaning of Life

Offertory

* Joy to the World!

Joy to the world! The Lord is come: Let earth receive her King; Let every heart prepare Him room, And heaven and nature sing, And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing.

He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love, And wonders of His love, And wonders, wonders of His love.

Christmas Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

Dawn Geschiere

Silent Night, Holy Night (remain seated)

Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright, Round yon virgin mother and child! Holy Infant, so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight, Glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing: “Alleluia; Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.”

Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light; With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King; Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

Charge
*Go Tell It on the Mountain*

Refrain: Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere;  
Go, tell it on the mountain, That Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching O'er silent flocks by night,  
Behold throughout the heavens There shone a holy light.

The shepherds feared and trembled, When lo! above the earth,  
Rang out the angel chorus That hailed our Savior's birth.

Down in a lowly manger The humble Christ was born,  
And God sent us salvation That blessed Christmas morn.

**Tips for Navigating the Service:**  
**Worshipping with your children?**  
Encourage them to participate!  
Kids are welcome to stand on pews to see.  
Wiggles are welcome.  
More wiggle room is available in the lobby.

### 4pm Cast List

Narrators: Elizabeth Chapin, Tyler French,  
Nate Hoffman, Julia Landry, Lizzie Seckinger  
Eve: Macy Wright  
Sarah: Katie Richardson  
Ruth: Lauren Richardson  
David: Matthew Lauber  
Daniel: Kat Sinclair  
Isaiah: Ellie French  
Moses: Matthew Pearson  
Noah: PJ Pearson  
Announcing Angel: Hannah Blackmore  
Mary: Campbell McCracken  
Joseph: Ryan McCracken  
3 Kings: Drew French, Alex Landry,  
Thomas Pearson  
Shepherds: Ian Hoffman, Nathaniel Pearson,  
Mason Porter  
Angels: Ruthie Seckinger, Natalie Jones,  
Elise Adler, Samantha Lauber, Carson Lackey,  
Kate Hall  
Animal: Ella Baldwin

### 5:15pm Cast List

Narrators: Victoria Eachus, Madeline Krisko,  
Ainsley Rothrock, Patrick Smith, Haley Spoden  
Eve: Kaitlyn Hricik  
Sarah: Eliza Hedlund  
Ruth: Caroline Jones  
David: Jackson Lucky  
Daniel: David Negash  
Isaiah: Hayden Krisko  
Moses: Robert Eachus  
Noah: Matthew Walter  
Announcing Angel: Emily Rothrock  
Mary: Sophie Hauber  
Joseph: Owen Bodell  
3 Kings: Aidan Jones, Luke Kenney,  
Anderson Krisko  
Shepherds: Ethan Black, Will Black, Anna Hricik,  
Madison Hricik  
Angels: Audrey Krisko, Bella Kudrick, Linnea  
Hedlund, Everly Johnston, Caroline Simpson,  
Sarah Walter  
Animals: Ava Bodell, Addison Carr, Annie  
Johnston, MaryKate Jones, Will Simpson
Preparing for the Christmas season can often become a race to the finish: decorating, gift-giving, baking, wrapping, entertaining—all good, but the time and energy spent in getting things just right can be exhausting. Why not try something different?

When we break it all down, we discover that what we really long for is acceptance, even when we don’t measure up; love, without conditions; and forgiveness, even in the face of our mistakes.

God, who came to us in the form of Jesus Christ, understands our humanity and calls to us, saying, “Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you’ll recover your life. I’ll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won’t lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you’ll learn to live freely and lightly.”


Tonight, we invite you to enjoy a personal experience of God who accepts you just as you are, loves you unconditionally, and offers forgiveness for anything that has gone before. Tonight, we wait expectantly and prepare to celebrate the coming of God incarnate, God’s love and being in human form, Jesus Christ, born for you.

We are delighted that you are here!
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Sermons are available anytime at www.viennapres.org under Worship.

www.viennapres.org to learn more about this joyful, contagious community.
How can I make room in my life for Jesus?

Make a reservation!

We already know HOW to do this! It is the same as buying Redskin’s tickets, creating a fun vacation or a family celebration...we just decide and plan. We can make room for Jesus too!

**Pick Your Place**

30-day risk free trial!

Trying a class doesn’t mean you are committed for life, or that you can’t miss a class. **Pick your place**--make your reservation to learn what it means to follow Jesus and what it can mean for you every day.

**Pick Your Place**

January 6 and 13 in Great Hall

Friends will be available to help you find the right class or group to **pick your place**. You can make the most of your Sunday drive to Vienna or if Sundays don’t work, we have a variety of midweek options!

[Viennapres.org/study](http://viennapres.org/study)

**Spiritual Practices that Fit**

Finding ways to experience God that fit our personalities can be as difficult as finding a great pair of jeans! Spiritual practices should be like our favorite jeans, comfortable and easy to wear! There are three workshops in January to help you find a way to connect with God through the Bible!

Go to [viennapres.org/newyear](http://viennapres.org/newyear) for more info!

**You don’t KNOW what you don’t KNOW!**

Christianity Explored is a thought-provoking class with answers to many common questions about Jesus.

Seven 50 minute sessions.
Sun. mornings beginning Jan. 20, 9:30am
Conference room, 2nd floor.
Sneak peak January 13, 12pm.

**How is the Bible a plan for a good BEST life now?**

Come explore how a Practical Christian Living group can help you answer that question and others with a sneak peak at noon on Jan. 13. Join us for pizza. Conference room, 2nd floor. Classes will begin week of Jan 20!

VPC has an enormous number of learning opportunities on Sunday mornings for children and teens as well!

[viennapres.org/childrens](http://viennapres.org/childrens)  [viennapres.org/students](http://viennapres.org/students)

Go to **HIGH POINT** or **The UNDERGROUND** to find out more!
Memorial Poinsettias

The Aarons family, in loving memory of Susan Powell and Lucille Powell; Pauline Beck, in loving memory of Raymond, husband and father; Beverly Bender, in loving memory of James Bender and Bender family; Jeanne Bingham, in loving memory of parents Allen and Evelyn Bingham; Jeanne Bingham, in loving memory of Emily Corse; Jeanne Bingham, in loving memory of Helene Oliver; Elizabeth and Luke Brauer and Chloe Brauer Morton, in loving memory of Grandpa Harry 'Hack' Brauer; Frances and Web Brown, in loving memory of their son, Steven E. Brown and in loving memory of parents; Dee Burns, in loving memory of family members; Harry and Gail Campbell, in honor of Paul and Pauline Angelo; Harry and Gail Campbell, in honor of Harry and Heather Campbell; Susan and Michael Chagas, in honor of John Chagas and John Kramig; Corridon family, in honor of Sylvia Bergert and Jim Corridon; Gwen Datt and Amy Morgan, in loving memory of John Datt; Jeff, Christie, and Grace Davidson, in loving memory of Mom and Granjax, Jacque Jeutter; Jeff, Christie, and Grace Davidson, in loving memory of our parents and grandparents Jacque and Jerry Jeutter and June and Jack Davidson; Jeff, Christie, and Grace Davidson, in loving memory of Kendall; the Davies family, in loving memory of Lorell Funke Davies; Judy and Jorge Diaz, in thanksgiving for our grandchildren; the Drake family, in honor of Latimer Snowden; Tim and Cheryl Dronsfield, in loving memory of loved ones; Brent Duckworth and family, in loving memory of Clifford Duckworth; Judy Duhaime, in loving memory of Arthur Duhaime; Steve and Brenda Dunn, in loving memory of Robert Allen Kaila Sr.; Linda and Ed Gabris, in thanksgiving for the Friendship Class teachers and Friendship Chimes; Chuck and Jacque Garland, in loving memory of Marie Fry; Shirley Gourley, in loving memory of John Gourley; Barbara J. Greig, to the glory of God and in loving memory of David N. Greig and Kathy Greig VanMeter; Donna and John Hall, in loving memory of Cynthia Hummel; Elaine Hamlet and family, in loving memory of Gordon E. Hamlet; Brian and Heather Hine, in loving memory of their grandparents, Ken and Peggy Johnson and George W. Hine; Ann Rivers Hutcheson, in loving memory of Dick and loved ones; Heather and Blair Jacobs, in loving memory of Heather's father, David Webb and grandmother, Frances Webb; Luree James and Lee Taylor, in loving memory of Phil James, husband and father; Maryanne and Bob Jones, in loving memory of our parents and in honor of our family; the Del Jones family, in our hearts, Ted, Jim, and Lois; May Kepler, in loving memory of Elizabeth Kepler and May Johnson; Nancy and Sarah Killion, in loving memory of Charles Killion; Julie, Tom, and Tommy Kyllo, in loving memory of Kristin E. Kyllo; the Lear family, in loving memory of Kathlynn and Wade Fadely; Tana Leasure, in loving memory of my parents; Shirley, Daniel, David, and Austin Leedy, in loving memory of Donald J. Leedy; Betty Little and family, in loving memory of Bernie; Lynn Lotocki, in loving memory of sisters, Mary Johnson and Carol Friz; Kate and Chet Lund, in loving memory of Bryan Smilie; Don and Gretchen Major, in loving memory of our parents and grandparents; the Massey family, in loving memory of Beverly Massey; Bill and Donna Mayne, in loving memory of Tom and Helen Mayne and Jeannie and Bob Hamilton; the McCall family, in loving memory of Steve McCall; Emma and Leah Morris, in loving memory of our father; Kristine, Emma, and Leah Morris, in loving memory of Grandpa and son; Fay Morrison, in loving memory of Andrew Morrison; Betsy Needham, in loving memory of loved ones; Audrey Neeson, in loving memory of sisters Anne and Catherine, and husband Bob; Sue, Brian, and Kelly Nicholas, in loving memory of Francis and Marge Ciranni; John and Teri Osborn, in honor of parents Chet and Martha McRorie and Don and Ruth Munson; Judy, Brian, Mary, and Sarah Rainey, in loving memory of Joseph Kimmitt Rainey; Doug and Judy Rhodes, to the glory of God; June and Herb Rinehart, in loving memory of Tracy and Nora Stalnaker and Herb and Nancy Rinehart; Dennis and Lee Ryan, to the Glory of God; Carla Schnell, in loving memory of Jerry and to the Glory of God; George and Jane Sibley, in loving memory of Bill and Vera Taylor and George and Rose Sibley; Judy Smith, in loving memory of John M. Smith and Fred Gard; Julia, Peter, Sarah, Chris, and Amelia Smith, in loving memory of Hayden, Pat, Grammy, Grampy, and Janie; Bill and Sherrie Steinbach, in loving memory of loved ones; Mindy Thomas, in loving memory of Brad Thomas and Candler Van Nelson (son); Karen Thompson, in loving memory of Rick; the Titus family, in loving memory of parents; Lance and Pamela Vining, in honor of Doyle J. Borcher, Bernard and Mark Vining, and Lee Vining; Jayne and Joe Young, in loving memory of Virginia B. Pasley and Joseph W. Young.