Call to Worship
All That is Gold
Jon and Amy Lochhaas
Williams

Welcome

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ was born today.
Ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; now ye hear of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven's door, and we are blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; now ye need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Prayer of Adoration

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!"

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord!
Late in time, behold Him come, Offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; Hail the incarnate Deity,
Pleased in flesh with us to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail the heaven-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!"

Please request large-print hymnals from ushers.
Assistive listening devices are available in the balcony from the Sound Technician.
Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Eternal God, who makes all things new, we humbly bring before you the record of our lives in this year now ending. Where life has been good to us, do not let us take more of the credit than we deserve. Where we have been good to others, help us to forget all thoughts of honor and reward. Where we have fallen short, forgive us, and free us from brooding over what is past. Cleanse us by your mercy, guide us by your truth, fill us with your love, lead us forward in your all-conquering hope. Through the saving grace of Jesus Christ. Amen

Anthem
Start It All Over Again
Jon and Amy Lochhaas

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer (8:00)

Baptism (11:00)
Declan Bradley Clay, child of Shawn Matthew and Danielle Irene Quinn Clay
Margaret Elsie Rector, child of Joseph Allen and Sarah Leslie Rowley Rector

Children’s Message (9:30 and 11:00)
David Jordan-Haas

Offertory
Amazing Grace
Jon Lochhaas

During the Offertory, please pass the Friendship Pad.

Scripture
Luke 2:21-40

Sermon
Practicing the Presence
Sermon Series: Life Is Messy
Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

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 angels 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.

Benediction
Postlude
Psalm 96
Jon Lochhaas
Prayers

Grieving: Ellen Dooley (father); Ollie Fowler (sister); Brian Graff (mother); Ruth Nowjack-Raymer (father); Melissa Parham & Laurie Benton (mother); Jill Tyrold (mother); Ed Venditti (mother); Scarlett & J.T. (son & brother, Jesse Lewis at Newtown, CT);

Hospitalized: Barbara Carlson's cousin; Kaila's friend Amira;

Homebound: Frank & Bea Blasdell

Ill or Convalescing: Tom Addams; Beverly Bender; Bea Blasdell; Bill Comerford; Chuck Garland; Kyle Hard; Audrey Neeson; Kate Parthum; Bill Phillips; Marvin Price; Sabrina Remy (2); Larry Root; Mark Rosenbaum; Joan Sansone; Margaret Takesian; Nancy Thiel; Roger Woodin; Carol Yates

Family and Friends: William Buterbaugh's sister-in-law; Ruth Anne Buterbaugh's sister; Sandra Crippen's brother; Gail Doughty's aunt (Hospice); Bill Downer's friends Bionda & family, Carl, and Dave; Nancy & Adrian Eley's friend Kaylee (3); Mary Flounlacker's father; Charles Geschiere's father; Bonnie Grouge's first father-in-law, Allan Kerr (Hospice); the Hamlet family's beloved Aunt Mimi; Avice Hill's brother Neil; Bob Hill's sister Lois Ann; Jim Jeffrey's friend Lee; Walter Johnson's daughter-in-law; Barb Jones's friend Jessica; Michelle Jones's friends Paulette and Sandra; Maggie Karnis's mother; Liz Kellman's mother; Karen Dunlop's & Neil Kemple's friend Mike; Frank Kifer's sister Nancy; Valerie King's brother-in-law Danny; Julie Knight's brother Jim; Lisa LeLune's mother; Linda Lyon's son-in-law; Janet McKechnie's daughter-in-law; Libby Mosher's grandfather; Pamela O'Connell's father; Pam Prieister's friend Mike; Michelle Rahal's mother; Bev Stream's goddaughter; Kelly-Anne Thomson's mother; Pamela Vining's friends Caden(2) and family, Joshua (12), and Peter; Karen Williams's friend Lauren; Daryl Wright's father;

Other: Mike Hughes; Carl Klunk; Jonathan Williams & friends; Sandra; Haymarket Crossroads Mission; the people of Newtown, CT; peaceful resolution of the conflicts in Africa and the Middle East; the people across the US hit hard by Hurricane Sandy and other natural disasters; persecuted Christians in Egypt, Iraq, Pakistan and the Sudan

Missions/Missionaries of the week: Dimitrie Todorov, New Hope, Bulgaria (International); Davis & Elkins College, Elkins, WV (National); Homestretch, Inc., Northern VA (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.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 published up to four weeks but can certainly be extended upon request.
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: Get Started: Fill out the Friendship Pad in the pews during the service and we will contact you to help you get connected at VPC and answer any questions you may have. You are also invited to visit the Welcome Table in the narthex for a gift, and then visit the Great Hall for coffee between 8-11am.

Step 2: Get Oriented: Orientation to the Journey class is an opportunity to look at who we are as a church, find out what we believe, ask questions, and find how to best connect. (Next class: January 13, 11am, room 108C.)

Step 3: Get Going: Invitation to the Journey class is a 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 go to viennapres.org/firststeps for information and to register, or contact Linda Kemple (x100). Next series of classes: January 27, February 3 & 10.

Step 4: Get Connected: Share the Journey! Being part of a group or community to grow in Christ, connect with others, and serve is critical in our faith development. We would love to help you find the best place for you! For more information contact Shannon at shannon.jordan@viennapres.org or call 703-938-9050 x123.

MAKE ROOM FOR JESUS IN THE NEW YEAR

Pick your place – 30-day risk free trial!

**Pick Your Place**

Jan 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

**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! Come to one of the three workshops in January to help you find a way to connect with God through the Bible!

Go to viennapres.org/spiritualworkshop for 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.

Six 50-minute sessions.
Sun. mornings beginning Jan. 20
Conference room, 2nd floor

**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 with pizza. Conference room, 2nd floor. Classes will begin week of Jan 20!
General Announcements

Student Ministries: High School and Middle School Youth Groups will resume on January 6. Merry Christmas to you all!

Children’s Ministries: Choir practice will resume on January 6. Enjoy your Christmas holiday!

Children’s Ministries: No Sunday school on December 30. Happy New Year and see you all on January 6. Childcare will be available as usual.

Marriage Prep classes: begin January 13. These free sessions are required for those being married by our pastors, but open to others also. Contact: Linda Kemple, 703.938.9050; enroll at viennapres.org/marriageprep
Next seminar: April.


Serve

Already longing for summer? Summer Mission Project leaders and volunteers can sign up now to serve in summer 2013. Please contact Barry at barry.hill@viennapres.org or Amanda at amanda.strong@viennapres.org for more information.

School Supplies for Haiti: Accepting donations of lightweight blocks, Legos, puzzles, wordless picture books, color/number/ABC toys, construction toys, or dolls of color. Call Emmy Parker at 703.404.4698.

A Message of Thanks from CHO (Committee for Helping Others):

Thank you so much for including CHO as a recipient of the generous donations of toys, clothes, diapers and other items that are part of the Gifts from the Heart VPC program. It makes such a big difference in the number of children we can help each year. The gifts are wonderful!

On December 15, we helped 113 families choose gifts for their 283 children and teens. We helped some with gifts the afternoon before—-that was another 21 children of mothers who are in a recovery program in our area. We also found homes for 110 bikes that people fixed up and donated! I’m always pleased that every year, because of the generosity of people in our area, we are able to help families right up to Christmas Eve. Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Very truly yours,
Carolyn Mysel
Food & Holiday Chair

Connect

College Reunion: Monday, January 7, 7:30pm at the home of Mary Monie, 2047 Hunter Mill Road, Vienna, 22181. Bonfire, snacks, and time to catch up with friends! Contact Kevin Miller at kevin.miller@viennapres.org or visit viennapres.org/refuel

Student Ministries Annual Costume Party: January 13, 5-8:30pm, Underground. Got a Clue? dinner theatre. Open to all 7th through 12th-graders. Go to viennapres.org/hub-events for costume ideas. Contact Amanda Strong at 703.938.9050 x155 or Amanda.strong@viennapres.org

Refuel (Young Adults): Thursday, January 10, 7pm, Underground. Bring friends/neighbors for a topical discussion and Bible study on relevant issues. Contact Kevin Miller: kevin.miller@viennapres.org or visit viennapres.org/refuel

SWATT (55+, Seniors with Available Time and Talent): Join us for our first potluck luncheon of the new year. January 9, 12:15pm, Great Hall. Randy Gressang will speak on "George Washington: Spymaster." And Sunday, January 27: Reston Community Theater, The Savannah Disputations, at 2:30pm. Lunch at Lakeside Inn, 1pm; reservation required; lunch cost TBD. Play is $16; no bus (carpools available): Contact Dee Anderson.

Kid’s Nation 34: meets on January 4 from 7-8:30pm in the Activity Center of the third floor for a New Year’s Eve party. Come ring in the New Year!
Grow

Spiritual Growth Plan: Cards/worksheets are available in the narthex or online at viennapres.org/SpiritualGrowthPlan
Let us help you grow!


Tuesday Morning Women’s Bible Study: Will resume January 8. 9:30-11:30 am, third floor. with Helpmates, Harlots, and Heroes: Women of the Old Testament. Childcare is available with advance registration. Contact Shannon at shannon.jordan@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 x123.

Tuesday Evening Women’s Bible Study: Begins January 8, 7-9pm, room 108, with Emerson Eggerich’s video presentation Love and Respect. Small group breakout for discussion after each session. No books, study, or registration required. DVD study guide may be purchased for $10. One-time small donation may be given for materials used. Questions: contact dee.m.fall@gmail.com

Care

Griefshare: Support for those grieving the death of a loved one. For information go to GriefShare@viennapres.org

Passages: for those going through separation or divorce. Tuesdays, 7-9pm, Room 203/204.

Christian Cancer Companions: Contact Rita Lockwood at 703.573.6168.

Widows Dinner Group: 3rd Monday each month. Contact Betty Little at 703.938.9050 x121.

Widows and Widowers Luncheons: 3rd Saturday each month. Linda Waters, coordinator: 703.860.8685.

Newspring: Contact David Jordan-Haas at 703.938.9050 x116.

In need of a Stephen Minister? Please contact David Jordan-Haas at 703.938.9050 x116.

CenterPoint

Adult Enrichment Classes

Reason for the Hope Within:
Christian Critical Thinking
Rev. Dr. John Y. Lee

Sundays at 7:00pm, January 6, 13, 27; February 3 &10

Join us as we:
• Critically reflect on who we are in Christ
• Become more sensitive to living in a pluralistic society.
• Use this to reach out to our neighbors.

Sessions:
1. Christianity as Worldview and Life-Orienting Story
2. Christian Witness in a Pluralistic World
3. Friend or Foe? Christian Belief and Science
4. Signs of God: Beauty, Justice, and Love
5. That Which We Cannot Control: The Role of the Holy Spirit in Persuasion

For more information and registration, visit viennapres.org/centerpoint

MONDAY – JANUARY 14
7PM – GREAT HALL

COST: $20
(includes steak dinner, program, free parking)
Bring a friend, neighbor, co-worker for half price!

RSVP BY THURSDAY, JANUARY 10
To 703.938.1897 or phil.kratovil@viennapres.org
Or online at viennapres.org/steakout
Children’s Room Assignments

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Middle and High School Sunday Youth Services

No classes or youth groups this week.
Merry Christmas! See you back on January 6.

Adult Education Classes

9:30am


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


Foundations Class: Join us as we build on the twin foundations of scripture and friendship. No preparation required! John and Kathy Draper, 703.539.8300 or jkdraper@ymail.com. Room 203/204.

11am

Apprentices Class: The Holiness of God by Dr. R. C. Sproul. Newcomers are always welcome. Elaine Ryan, 703.470.1338 or isaiah122elaine@aol.com. Room 205.

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages): Bonnie Grouge at bonnie.grouge@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 x102. Room 311.

Study of Corinthians 1 & 2: Berean Adult Bible Study. All are welcome. John and Nancy Davidovich, 703.938.4775. Room 203/204.

Practical Christian Living: 2nd-floor conference room. All are welcome. Contact Phil Kratovil at phil.kratovil@viennapres.org