Sermon Series: Unwrapping His Presence

Vienna Presbyterian Church
A Disciple-Making Community

Jesus: Son of David, Reigning King

Isaiah 11:1-10

December 1, 2013
First Sunday in Advent: Lighting of The Prophecy Candle (Candle of Hope) - which signifies hope and tells us of the Prophets who expected and predicted the coming of the Messiah who would bring peace, love and salvation to the world.

Rick, Beth, Lindsay and Brady Webster

Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers

Rejoice, Rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear.
The evening is advancing, and darker night is near.
The Bridegroom is arising, and soon He will draw nigh.
Up, watch with expectation: At midnight comes the cry.

See that your lamps are burning; replenish them with oil.
Look now for your salvation, the end of sin and toil.
The marriage feast is waiting, the gates wide open stand;
Arise, O heirs of glory, the Bridegroom is at hand!

Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear!
Arise, Thou sun so longed for, above this shadowed sphere!
With hearts and hands uplifted, we plead, O Lord, to see
The day of earth’s redemption and ever be with Thee.

Prayer of Adoration

Stan Ott

Everlasting God

Brown/Riley

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord, wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord.
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Pre-Chorus: Our God, You reign forever, Our hope, our strong deliverer.

Chorus 1: You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God; You do not faint.
You won't grow weary; You're the defender of the weak,
You comfort those in need; You lift us up on wings like eagles.

Verse>Pre-Chorus>Chorus 1

Chorus 2 (2x)
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Video

Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

Offering

Youth Choir

Keith Hampton

True Light

During the Offertory, please pass the Friendship Pad.

Please request large-print hymnals from ushers.
Assistive listening devices are available in the balcony from the Sound Technician.
A hearing loop is installed under the rear balcony. Please switch your hearing aid to T-coil.
Doxology

Scripture
Isaiah 11:1-10

Sermon
Jesus: Son of David, Reigning King
Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

Communion
Communion Music
Advent Hymn
Youth Choir
Patrick Liebergen

Holy Child Who Chose the Hearts of Men
Holy Child, who chose the hearts of men To be His favoured home.
Leaving heaven's gates for Bethlehem, God came to call His own.
Now to us the highest King is born; Behold the Royal Son.
Glory kneels to mend all that is torn; The promised Child has come.

Joy and pain as man, He knew on earth No place to lay His head.
As a servant He embraced this world and on a cross He bled.
Having borne the deepest grief of man, He rose to heaven's throne.
Now I'm sheltered in the Father's hand, I stand by grace alone.

May the gift of God amaze us, still the triumph of all time.
As His child I kneel to heaven's will to make His purpose mine.
Though this road be scarred with trial and pain, it's paved with lavish grace.
Knowing Him will be my greatest gain; His throne, my resting place.

Benediction

Postlude
Comfort, Comfort You My People
Gerald Near
Terry Sisk, organist

The flowers in the sanctuary were given by the Massey Family in loving memory of Beverly Massey on the 20th anniversary of her passing.
Sunday Worship 9:30 and 11:00

Prelude

O Come, O Come Emmanuel
Exsultate Handbells; Terry Sisk, Director

Welcome

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Worship Song

Over the skies of Bethlehem appeared a star, while angels sang to lowly shepherds.
Three wise men seeking truth traveled from afar, hoping to find the child from heaven.
Falling on their knees, they bowed before the humble Prince of Peace.

Chorus: I bring an offering of worship to my King. No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing.
Jesus may you receive the honor that You're due. O Lord, I bring an offering to you,
I bring an offering to you.

The sun cannot compare to the glory of Your love. There is no shadow in Your presence.
No mortal man would dare to stand before Your throne, Before the Holy One of heaven.
It's only by your blood, and it’s only through your mercy, Lord, I come. (Chorus)

Video

Children’s Message (9:30)

Daryl Wright

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Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer (11:00)

Offering

Offertory And the Glory Handel

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Doxology and Prayer

Scripture

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Communion Music Angels and Shepherds arr. Linda Lamb

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**Grieving:** Sherry Moseley (husband); Dick Stark (father); the family of Jon Thew; the family of Dawn Chamberlain (extended family of the Vinings); Phyllis Swenson (close friend Beverly)

**Hospitalized:** Cindy All's nephew Ryan (20); Julie Knight's brother Jim; Michelle Rahal's cousin Nicole (21)

**Homebound:** Luther Martin

**Ill or Convalescing:** Curt Anderson; Liz Beless; Beverly Bender; Jane Bittner; Frances Brown; George Carlson (9); Inajo Cox; Megan Dungan (13); Mary Flounlacker; Patty Groce; Rose Hamlet; Erin Gilmore Hoffman; Garth Jensen; Stella Lansing; Kate Lund; Andy Mitchell; Audrey Neeson; Capt. Andrew Peters; Walter Potts; Charlene Przybyla; Jane Seeman; Roger Simmons; Bob Stoepker; Ed Tennyson; Liz Hankins Wilson; Alice Winters (former missionary to Colombia supported by VPC); Carol Yates

**Family and Friends:** Dee Burns's brother John; Ruth Anne Buterbaugh's cousin; William Buterbaugh's sister-in-law; Debbie Capp's father; Lamar Collier's cousin Jeff; Beth Crowder's friend Andrew; Arayanna Darst's brother Karon, and friends Kathy, Mary & family, and Maryanne & Vern (Hospice) & daughter Paula; Joe Darst's sister Dee; Sandi Davis's mother; Donna DeLanoy's mother; Jorge Diaz's neighbor Jane; Gail Doughty's aunt (Hospice); Bill Downer's friend Dave; Stephanie Eberhart's friend Kelly; Jennifer Fleisher's friend (3); Mary Flounlacker's father; Charles Geschiere's father; Lisa Gibb's father; Kurt Gilchrist's mother and cousin; Kurt Gilchrist's; Bonnie Grouge's first father-in-law, Allan Kerr (Hospice); Sharon Hopkins's mother; Michelle Jones's friends Cassandra and Paulette; Karen Dunlop's & Neil Kemple's friend Mike; Frank Kifer's neighbor Leonard; Valerie King's brother-in-law Danny; Megan Kritsky's friend Craig; Stella Lansing's granddaughter; Sharon Lewis's husband (Howard); Marty Martin's friend Sean; Janet McKechnie's daughter-in-law; Christi Parker's friend Kate (13); Betty Rahal's sister; Baker & Jane Richard's relatives Walter & wife Nancy and friend Pat; Caitlin Rose's friend Louis' father & family; Kay Sears's mother; Lee Self's friend Joe; Bob & Barb Spiller's friends Lena, Paula and Pete; Bev Strean's goddaughter; Phyllis Swenson's friend Sheron; Shannon Swift's friend Shelley; Bonny Tynch's father; Hendrika Vande Kemp's sister Grace; Leslie Vereide's father; Roger Waldron's mother; Ken Workman's father-in-law, Bob Neal; Daryl Wright's father (Hospice); Mark

**Other:** Allison & Brian; Stephanie Eberhart's friend Nancy; Linda Kemple's friend Jan; Jane Richards's brother Dennis & wife Rema's family in the Philippines; Russ & Laurie; Crossroads-Connection (formerly Haymarket Crossroads Mission): the people of the Philippines in the wake of the typhoon; the people across the US hit hard by natural disasters; peaceful resolution of the conflicts in Africa and the Middle East; persecuted Christians in Egypt, Iraq, Pakistan and the Sudan

**Missions/Missionaries of the week:** Sean & Bethany Walker, The Antioch Partners (International); Massanetta Springs Camp & Conference Center, Harrisonburg, VA (National); Good News Jail & Prison Ministry, Fairfax (Local)

**We give God thanks** for John & Peg Boag, who joined VPC on 12/3/61 (52 years), and for Alice Burroughs, who joined 12/4/60 (53 years), and for Jean Hamill, who joined 12/7/52 (61 years)


**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 offering 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.
New to VPC? Just follow these steps to get connected in no time!

Let us know who you are.
We want to help you become connected here at VPC! Letting us know who you are and how we can help you is the fastest way to find your way around! Two easy ways to do that are to fill out the Friendship Pad in worship on Sunday or to visit the Welcome Table found in the sanctuary lobby.

Explore.
If you have some extra time this morning, come for coffee after the 8 am and 9:30 am services in the Great Hall, or visit Grapevine Books and browse what some of our groups and classes are studying, as well as the latest in Christian books and gifts. Both are just around the corner from the Welcome Table!

Connect Here.
Visit our Connect Here table in the lobby on Sunday morning. We will help you connect to a group at VPC where you can learn and serve with others! Ask questions, get information, find what you need! We want to make it as easy as possible for you to begin to live into our mission statement, “Becoming Like Christ Together for the World.”

Find out more, and even join VPC!
The Invitation to the Journey Class is a three-week “VPC 101” that explores our mission statement “Becoming Like Christ Together for the World.” Our next class (three sessions) is January 26, February 2 & 9. For more information or to register for future classes, contact Linda Kemple at 703.938.9050 x100.

To find out more, go to viennapres.org/firststeps
or contact Shannon at shannon.jordan@viennapres.org or 703-938-9050 x123.

Family Advent Celebration
Brino family and friends to celebrate the start of the holidays!

Today!
3-5:30pm
3rd Floor

Crafts for children ages 3 to 6th grade.
Caroling and popcorn for the whole family.

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 Service of Wholeness
Sunday, December 8
Chapel, 7:30pm
Prayer, Scripture, Music, and Communion
General Announcements

Widows and Widowers Luncheon: Noon, Saturday, December 14, at Clyde's of Tyson's Corner, 8332 Leesburg Pike, Vienna. Contact: Stan King, 703. 281.0825. Note: This is on the 2nd Saturday due to the holidays.

Student Ministries Advent Workshop/Special Underground PM: TODAY! 3-6pm, 3rd floor. Help children connect with Christ through crafts and music. Dinner provided for all volunteers. Come to the Underground for a 7th-12th grade PM time, 6-8pm.

Poinsettias for Christmas Services: Sign-up sheet in the narthex. For questions, e-mail barbstrite@aol.com


Christmas Eve Nativity Plays: Children ages 4 to 6th-graders interested in Christmas Eve service. Mandatory rehearsals: Sundays, December 8 and 15. Sign up by December 2. Contact Elin at paier-online@usa.net or contact Dawn at dawn.geschiere@viennapres.org.

Hanging of the Greens: December 6, 8am-5pm. Decorate the church for the Christmas season. Stay all day or just for part. Bring friends! Lunch is provided. No childcare. Contact Barb at barbstrite@aol.com.

Serve

Church Street Stroll: Monday, December 2, 6-9pm. Volunteers needed to greet visitors, hand out refreshments, and give chapel tours. Contact Phil Kratovil at phil.kratovil@viennapres.org

Nursery: Volunteers needed on Christmas Eve during the first 3 services. Please contact Phyllis Swenson at phyllis.swenson@viennapres.org to volunteer.

CHO Christmas Store accepting donations of children’s toys, gift cards for teens, food cards for families, gently used coats and jackets. Volunteers needed Friday, December 13, from 9am-Noon at VPC for ’store’ set-up and Saturday December 14, 9am-2pm. Please call Carolyn Mysel, 703.938.7213, to sign up!

Music Events for the Season

Monday, December 2, 7pm: Cathedral Brass Concert, performing sacred and secular works from all eras. Greenspring Retirement Community, Springfield. Also Friday, December 6, 8pm, Old Town Hall, Fairfax. More concert dates at cathedralbrass.org

December 8, 3pm, Sanctuary: Children’s Concert. A joyful mix of assorted handbell choirs, a chorus of voices, some scripture passages, and the magic of the Christmas season. Join our cutest music ministry participants for our annual concert. A reception in the Great Hall immediately follows the concert.

December 15, 4:30 and 7pm, Sanctuary: Glorious Sounds of Christmas. Relax & enjoy traditional Christmas music. Escape the hustle and bustle of the Christmas rush. Free concert with performances by the VPC choirs, strings, & brass. Soloists include Metropolitan Opera soprano Danielle Talamantes. Childcare provided.

December 17, 11:30am, Sanctuary: Preschool Concert. Cute as buttons and full of wiggles, these music makers are sure to bring a smile to your heart. The concert is also a unique opportunity for outreach to neighbors not familiar with all that Vienna Presbyterian Church has to offer. Bring friends who might like to visit our church and/or sign up for a future preschool tour.

December 22, 4pm, Sanctuary: Messiah Sing-a-long led by our VPC Community Orchestra and Chorus. Come listen and/or sing, and bring family, friends and neighbors. Bring your own score; if you don’t have a score, there will be a limited number available. We will do Part I of Messiah, plus the “Hallelujah Chorus” from Part II. Reception to follow in the Great Hall.

Staff Openings

ESOL Admin Position: Approximately 14 hours per week, including evening hours. Office and Excel skills highly desirable. Contact Michelle Lowell at michelle.lowell@viennapres.org
Give locally…
Gifts from the Heart

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

Today through December 15
9am-12:30pm, Great Hall

Come by the Giving Tree.
Select a tag. Bring tag to the gift table. Record your gift.
Purchase a gift and return it unwrapped by December 15.

Contact: Sharon Lewis at Sharon.Lewis1@cox.net or 703.625.8275

Give globally…
Fair Trade Marketplace

Today through December 22
9am-12:30pm, Great Hall

Haiti Is Hot Sauce, Land of a Thousand Hills coffee, Haitian jewelry, and a unique assortment of gifts procured from artisans in rural areas of Bangladesh, Chile, Kenya, Nepal, and Vietnam, just to name a few.

Contact Wander Vandernat at wevn@verizon.net
or Sally Mitchell at sally.mitchell@viennapres.org
Learn

**Monday Night Men's Group:** All men are welcome for large group Bible study and small group fellowship and discussion. Led by Senior Pastor Pete James with Rev. Ed Dawkins and Phil Kratovil. Mondays, 7-8:30pm, 3rd floor. For more info: viennapres.org/men

**Women’s Bible Study:**
Mondays, 7-8:30pm, Room 109, or Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30am, 3rd floor.

*Lessons from the Life of David.* This interactive study makes connections between our lives as women in Northern Virginia and the life of King David. Contact: Shannon at 703.938.9050 x123 or shannon.jordan@viennapres.org

**CenterPoint** is planning a 15-day Discovery Journey to Italy in September 2014 to learn about religious art, architecture, and history. Many details, such as the cost and when registration will open, are still being worked out. For more information visit viennapres.org/centerpoint

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**Almost New Book Sale**

Today!

2nd Floor Hallway.

Open during all Sunday services!

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Care

**Resources for Senior Adults and Caregivers**

*Publication:* Printed copies available in the office and on-line at viennapres.org/publications

**Renewing Prayer Ministers** are trained and ready to come alongside you in prayer to invite Christ’s peace and renewal where life may have brought emotional scars and pain. For more information go to viennapres.org/healingprayer or pick up a brochure. To schedule an appointment, contact Glenda Simpkins Hoffman at 703.938.9050 x114.

**GriefShare:** Support for those grieving the death of a loved one. Sundays, 6-7:30pm, in Room 203/204. More information at: GriefShare@viennapres.org

**Passages:** For those going through separation or divorce. Tuesdays, 7-9pm, Room 203/204. Contact passages@viennapres.org.

**Christian Cancer Companions:** Contact Rita Lockwood at 703.573.6168.

**Widows’ Dinner Group:** 3rd Monday each month. Contact Betty Little at 703.281.4118.

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

**NewSpring:** Hope for the sexually abused. Contact David Jordan-Haas at 703.938.9050 x116.

**Stephen Ministry:** a one-on-one, distinctively Christian, caring, confidential ministry. Stephen Ministers care for people facing a difficult time or life transition. They are not professional counselors, but they are more than well-intentioned friends. They use both words and deeds to express Christ’s care and love for others.

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

**Upcoming Stephen Minister Forum:**

**December 4: Ministering to Families Who Have Lost Someone to Suicide,** with Becky Shenefiel. Room 323, 7pm.
High School Christmas Party
Sunday, December 8
6:30-8:30, Great Hall

Snowball Fights & Sled Races.
Tacky sweater optional. Bring a treat to share (no nuts, please) if you’d like. Service opportunity: Christmas cards for our troops.

Optional: $5. Donation for Our Daily Bread toward grocery gift cards.

Contact Daryl Wright at daryl.wright@viennapres.org for details.

SWATT Christmas Luncheon
Wednesday, December 18,
11:30am, Great Hall

Celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ


Contact Betty Little, 703.281.4118

Refuel: Young Adults Christmas Party
Thursday, December 19
7:30-9pm, Underground

Ugly Sweater Contest!
Desserts and Snacks provided!

Contact: Kevin Miller at kevin.miller@viennapres.org

Middle School Christmas Party
Friday, December 20
6:00-9:30, Underground

Join in and celebrate Christmas!

Wear PJs or your best Christmas flair for a chance to win the ‘best-dressed’ contest.

Bring friends and a treat to share.

For more info, contact Kim Snyder at kim.snyder@viennapres.org

KidsNation 3rd-4th grade Caroling Party
Friday, December 6, 6-8:30.

Meet at VPC.
Bring snacks to share.

Contact Daryl Wright at daryl.wright@viennapres.org for details.
### Children’s Room Assignments

For descriptions of classes, go to [viennapres.org/ministries/children/sundays](http://www.viennapres.org/ministries/children/sundays); to register online, go to [viennapres.org/cmsignups](http://www.viennapres.org/cmsignups).

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### Sunday Mornings at VPC

#### Middle and High School Sunday Youth Services

Lower Level, Light Breakfast Served, 9-9:30 am;
Sunday School, 9:30-10:30.
Youth Groups: 7th-12th grade: 6pm-8pm

#### VPC-U on Sunday Morning

**100 Level**

**Friendship Class:** Room 108C, 9:30 am. For adults with intellectual disabilities. Teachers: Emmy Parker, Beth Gourley, Jamie and Andrea Strahan.

**200 Level**

**Practical Christian Living:** 2nd-floor conference room, 11 am.

Learn how to live the Christian life by God’s power, how to develop a personal devotional life and how to love others with God’s love.

**Foundations Class:** Room 203/204, 9:30 am. 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

**Partners With Christ: Parlor, 9:30 am.** Join us for a celebration of the Christmas Story Dec. 8, 15, and 22. All newcomers welcome. Questions? Martha Strauss martha.strauss@me.com martha.strauss@me.com

**Plugged In:** Room 109, 11 am. Shannon Jordan at shannon.jordan@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 x123.

**ESOL Bible Study:** Room 311, 11 am. (English for Speakers of Other Languages) is open to adults from every country who are Level 2 or 3 students (intermediate or advanced). Shun or Doris Ling, 703.255.0656 or shundoris@yahoo.com

**300 Level**

**Beyond Basics:** Room 205, 9:30. Have a cup of coffee with us as we discuss The Gospel According to Jesus by John McArthur, led by Jon Lochhaas. Compare our thinking of today’s interpretation of scripture and what Jesus really said. Coordinator: Kate Lund katejlund@yahoo.com

**Apprentices Class:** Room 205, 11 am. Join us as we discuss Henri Nouwen’s The Return of the Prodigal Son. All are welcome. Elaine Ryan, 703.470.1338 or isaiah122elaine@aol.com.

**The Berean Adult Bible Study:** Rooms 203-204, 11 am.

"Hallelujah – The Bible and Handel's Messiah." Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come. Contact John and Nancy Davidovich: 703.938.4775 or jadavidovich@verizon.net

### What We Believe:

Jesus is Lord.

Scripture is our authority.

Everyone is called to discipleship.

### Our Mission:

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[Get Involved](http://www.viennapres.org)  
[Find Us](http://www.viennapres.org)