Why God, why?

Habakkuk 1:1-4

July 20, 2014
Call to Worship
PromisedLand Quartet

Prayer of Adoration
Shannon Jordan

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name, #142

Apostle’s Creed

Song
PromisedLand Quartet

Prayer of Confession/Assurance of Pardon
PromisedLand Quartet

Welcome

Offering
Offertory
PromisedLand Quartet

Doxology and Prayer

Scripture:
Habakkuk 1:1-4

Sermon
Why God, why?
Pete James

I Sing the Mighty Power of God, #288

Benediction
PromisedLand Quartet

Postlude

Coffee Alert
During the month of August, there will be NO Coffee Hour between services. See you all in September!

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.
Prayers

Grieving: Greg Coats (aunt, 101); Mike & Linda Comer (newborn granddaughter); Dawn Geschiere (mother); Tricia Hutcherson (mother); the family of Audrey Neeson; Tommy & Laurie Comer Peterson (newborn daughter); the family of Mike Poling; the family of Ed Tennyson Memorial service and internment for Roger Simmons at the Ft. Myer Old Chapel, Tuesday, July 22 at 1:00 pm, followed by a reception at the Officer’s Club.

Hospitalized: Julia Kuykendall; Nassim Saliba; Jeanne Bingham’s friend Judy; Grady & Barbara Carlson’s sister-in-law Marcia and friend Rebekah; Arayanna Darst’s friend Clayton & family; Nancy Eley’s friends Kaylee (5) and Penny; Kristin Heath’s cousin Travis; Michelle Rahal’s cousin Nicole (21)

Facing Tests or Surgery: Brad Miller’s father

Ill or Convalescing: Emily Anderson (19); Martha Garrett; Patty Groce (Hospice); Erin Gilmore Hoffman; Wally Johnson; Bob Lorand; Anya Maggio (20); Jenn Maggio; Paul Marquardt; Katherine Masy; Rory McDermott (11); Diane Mullis; Megan Parker; Alice Winters (former missionary to Colombia supported by VPC); Roger Woodin

Homebound: Audrey Moore

Family and Friends: Mark; Ruth Anne Buterbaugh’s cousin; William Buterbaugh’s sister-in-law; Debbie Capp’s father; Beth Crowder’s friend Rakeshi (28); Arayanna Darst’s friend Mary and family; Denny Davis; Donna DeLanoy’s mother; Stephanie Eberhart’s friend Elam; Jennifer Fleisher’s friend Lauren (4); Mary Flounlacker’s family; Linda Gabris’s friend Nancy; Charles Geschiere’s father; Cole Granger’s grandfather; Bonnie Grouge’s first father-in-law, Allan Kerr (Hospice); Eleanor Hay’s mother-in-law (Hospice); Michelle Jones’s friends Cassandra and Paulette; Karen Dunlop’s & Neil Kemple’s friend Mike; Sharon Lewis’s husband (Howard); Cherie Luytjes’s father and her brother Tom; Janet McKechnie’s daughter-in-law; Patti Young Merfa’s sister Nancy; Betsy Needham’s friend Pat; Baker & Jane Richard’s friend Pat; Wendy Rose’s mother; Polly Schiff’s cousin Robin; Wayne & Sue Schrader’s daughter Kelly; Randy & Diane Schumacher’s friend Robert; Debby Scozzie’s sister-in-law Roxanne (Hospice);

Lee Self’s friend Joe; Patrick Sobolik’s mother; Barbara Spiller’s friend Paula; Bev Stream’s goddaughter; Catherine Taylor’s cousin Marjorie; Bonny Tynch’s father and mother; Hendrika Vande Kemp’s sister Grace; Leslie Vereide’s father

Other: Mike Hughes; Jade Zaharoff; Arayanna Darst’s friend Jessica; Colette DeJounge’s friend Henry; Cherie Luytjes’s friend Jeannette; Audrey’s sister; Philip; Crossroads-Connection; the missing Nigerian schoolgirls; the people across the US hit hard by severe weather and other natural disasters; peaceful resolution of the conflicts in Africa, the Middle East, and the Ukraine; persecuted Christians in Egypt, Iraq, Pakistan and the Sudan

Missions/Missionaries of the week: Sean & Bethany Walker, The Antioch Partners (International); Chris Luhrman, CRU, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA (National); Good News Jail & Prison Ministry, Fairfax (Local)

Praise God for the life of Cilie Harker, who turns 91 on July 27! We give God thanks for Delmar & Elizabeth Metheny, who joined VPC 7/24/60 (54 years)!

Please hold in prayer this week the folks on SMP this week: Local (7/20-25) – Andie Battin, Tommy Crespy, Elizabeth D’Haiti, Paul & Georgia Day, Sue Hamblen, Sophia Howle, Maddie Krisko, Arleigh Kritsky, Molly Morgan, Sasha Saxon, Kristen Shaw, Kim Snyder, Molly Stegman, Ellie Thomas, Wynne Treco, Kat & Marin Uher, Kaithlin Waldron, Katie Ward, Justin & Krista Wichterman

Please also pray for all the children, leaders and workers involved with Music and Drama (MAD) Camp here this week.

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.
Let us know who you are and how we can help you to find your way at VPC! Fill out the Friendship Pad in worship on Sunday or visit the Welcome Table found in the sanctuary lobby.

Explore.
Visit Grapevine Books and browse what some of our groups and classes are studying, as well as the latest in Christian books and gifts. The store is just around the corner from the Welcome Table!

Connect Here.
Visit the Connect Here table in the lobby on Sunday morning. Learn about all the groups at VPC where you can grow and serve with others. Ask questions, get information, and find what you need! Begin the journey of living into VPC’s mission of “Becoming like Christ together for the world.” Grab a cup of coffee in the Great Hall!

Find out more, and even join VPC!
The Invitation to the Journey Class is a three-week class that explores our mission statement, “Becoming like Christ Together for the World.” For more information or to register for future classes, contact Deb Crumbliss at 703.938.9050 x108. (Next Class: September 2014)

To find out more, go to viennapres.org/firststeps
or contact Shannon at shannon.jordan@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 x123.

Do what you do better...

Willow Creek Global Leadership Summit
August 14 & 15, 9:30am-5pm, telecast live at VPC

Learning how to maximize the positive impact of your influence is what leadership development is all about!

Price includes program, Summit Notebook, morning and afternoon snacks.

Fun children’s program is available for this event
For VPC members and regular attendees. Register at: viennapres.org/events
General Announcements

VPC Preschool provides a spiritual and developmental education for children ages 2½ through 5. We still have spaces available in our 2½-year-old program for the 2014-15 school year. Please email or call the preschool office for more information: preschool@viennapres.org or 703.255.1419.

Marriage Prep classes will be held Sundays, September 14-October 5, 10:45-12:15, plus all morning on Saturday, September 20. These free sessions are required for those being married by our pastors, but open to all others also. Mary Monie, 703.938.9050; enroll ASAP at viennapres.org under Marriage Preparation. Next seminar: January, 2015.

Grapevine Books: Who says Christians don’t have a sense of humor? Stop by Grapevine and see our new line of Bible Tails humorous cards and mugs!

SAVE THE DATE: Anna Whiston-Donaldson’s Book Launch Event for Rare Bird, her newly published and not-yet-released memoir of loss and love, will be held on September 12, 7pm in the Great Hall. Pre-orders for Rare Bird are now being accepted at Grapevine.

Serve

Bethany Women's Center and Alternative House are shelters which regularly need our food support. The easy-to-prepare recipes and sign-up sheet are located outside the kitchen door. Questions? Cindy Alls, 703.222.3657.

Committee for Helping Others (CHO): CHO is an all-volunteer organization that helps the needy in our local area. Food donations of canned meats and fruit, white rice (2 lb bags), laundry detergent and size 3 diapers are especially needed. To donate food, clothing, or furniture or to give monetary donations, please visit cho-vap.com

VPC Childcare: Volunteer on Sunday mornings in the nursery. Please contact Phyllis Swenson at phyllis.swenson@viennapres.org for information and a volunteer application.

Miriam’s Kitchen: Serve breakfast the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Contact Michael Hallanan at michael.hallanan@viennapres.org For additional information about Miriam’s Kitchen, please visit miriamskitchen.org

Connect

Student Ministries Weekday Hang Time: Thursdays in July in the Underground, 2-5pm. Games, snacks, movies. Come hang out with friends and interns!
Learn

Disciple I: One of the most effective and formative classes ever taught at VPC! One participant said, *This study provided me with a better understanding of the Bible… I found I was hungry for more.* This 34-week class starts Tuesday, September 16, 7-9pm. Class leader: Barbara Greig. Contact Shannon Jordan at shannon.jordan@viennapres.org

Time in the Vine: When was the last time you thought about the state of your soul? Best-selling author, speaker and Pastor John Ortberg’s latest book, *Soul Keeping*, focuses on today’s world of materialism and consumerism and how it tries to buy its way to our happiness. Pick up a copy (discounted by 15%) at Grapevine Books AND join Shannon Jordan and Sally Mitchell for the next *Time in the Vine* book discussion at Grapevine Books, Tuesday, August 12, 7-9 pm. Contact sally.mitchell@viennapres.org.

Growing Your Soul: In its eighth year at VPC! A nine-month small group experience of communion and spiritual formation. Application and assessment are required. Visit viennapres.org/GYS for info.

Monday Night Men’s Group—Regular meetings will resume in September. Summer Workshop: Mondays, July 21, & August 4, 7-8:30 pm, Room 308/309.

Getting the Most from Your Bible led by Steve Garner on practical methods of studying Scripture. For more email steve@garnercb.com

CenterPoint Journeys:

Discovery Journey to Italy, September 2014. Reservations for this inspirational journey will close soon. The itinerary and additional information are available at viennapres.org/centerpoint or call Jim Leach at 703.893.2721.

CenterPoint trip to Israel and Jordan, May 2015. You know that Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River and Moses was shown the Promised Land from Mt. Nebo. Wouldn’t it be inspiring to visit these biblical locations, as well as many more? Contact Jim Leach at 703.893.2721 for additional information.

Care

GriefShare: Support for those grieving the death of a loved one. Brochures available in narthex and gathering space, or contact GriefShare@viennapres.org

Passages: For those going through separation or divorce. 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.


Renewing Prayer Training Class: 13-week training class begins Tuesday, September 9, 7-9 pm. Cost of workbook: $21. Requirements: commit to attend all classes; completion of homework assignments; strict confidentiality. For more information about Renewing Prayer please contact Chris Shenefiel at cshen@gracewalk.net or visit viennapres.org/ministries/careprayer/prayer_ministry
VPC to Host Hypothermia Prevention Week

Want to make a difference in a homeless man or woman? Over 35 houses of worship will open their doors to brothers and sisters who have no place to sleep during the winter months. VPC is partnering with the Hypothermia Prevention Program to be a host site during the first week of February 2015.

We need your help! We need a team of enthusiastic, dedicated and caring individuals to join our team to make this a reality and provide food and shelter to those in need.

If this is your calling and you want to help make a difference in the lives of the homeless in our own backyard, contact Sue Hamblen at sue.hamblen@viennapres.org.

First Annual Family PASS Picnic

Want to connect with some of the families that are served by one of our Mission Partners?

On August 16, Family PASS is hosting a family picnic at Burke Lake Park for families that they’ve assisted throughout the year from 1:00 to 4:00pm.

They are planning activities for both children and adults and would love to have a VPC team join them to host one of the activities. If interested, contact Sue Hamblen at sue.hamblen@viennapres.org.
Sunday Mornings at VPC

Children’s Room Assignments - Summer Schedule

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VPC-U on Sunday Morning

Friendship Class: Room 109, 9:30am. For adults with intellectual disabilities. Teachers: Emmy Parker, Jamie and Andrea Strahan, Matt Thrasher.

200 Level

Foundations Class: Rooms 203/204, 9:30am. 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@vmail.com

Partners With Christ: Parlor, 9:30am. On summer break. See you in the fall! Martha.Strauss@me.com

Plugged In: Room 109, 9:30am. On summer break. See you September 14. Contact: Randi DeWeese, deweese89@gmail.com

ESOL Bible Study: On summer hiatus. See you in September!

300 Level

Beyond Basics: Room 205, 9:30. Have a cup of coffee with us as we study In the Dust of the Rabbi, led by Steve Skjei. Coordinator: Kate Lund, katejlund@yahoo.com

Apprentice Class: Room 205, 11am. All are welcome. We are studying Disappointment with God by Phillip Yancey. Elaine Ryan, 703.470.1338 or isaiah122elaine@aol.com

The Berean Adult Bible Study: Room 203/204, 11am. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come. Contact John and Nancy Davidovich: 703.938.4775 or jadavidovich@verizon.net

Student Ministries (Middle School/High School—Lower Level): through July 31, 9:30-10:30am: Sunday School: Youth Groups: Enjoy your summer!

Student Ministries Weekday Hang Time: Thursdays in July, Underground, 2-5pm. Games, snacks, movies. Come hang out with friends and interns!

What We Believe:

Jesus is Lord.
Scripture is our authority.
Everyone is called to discipleship.

Our Mission:

Becoming like Christ Together for the World.

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Music Director Lance Vining
Adult Ministries Director Shannon Jordan
Transitional Leader of Student Ministries Kim Snyder
Transitional Children’s Ministries Leaders Karen Covell, Daryl Wright
Preschool Director Marnie Sturm
Evangelism Director Phil Kratovil
Congregational Care Director Charles Geschiere
Missions Director Sue Hamblen
Operations Director Doug LeMasters
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Wish to talk about our worship services? Contact Elder Michelle Rahal, worshipfeedback@viennapres.org