The Gifts of Christmas

Matthew 2:1-12

December 28, 2014
"Focus on Your Family"
Learn how to grow and strengthen your family!
With special guest, Tim Goeglein, VP, Focus on the Family

Sunday, January 11,
11:00 am-noon or 12:15 - 1:15 pm.
Great Hall

Start the new year right by learning more of why God created your family and how you can encourage and strengthen your spouse and children.

Tim Goeglein from *Focus on the Family* will share biblical principles and practical insights that will bless you and your family throughout 2015!

Laptops for Haiti: Have an old laptop to donate? Contact Emmy Parker at emelieparker@gmail.com

Help Someone in from the Cold: VPC will be the host of a hypothermia shelter February 1-7, 2015. Volunteer opportunities available for individuals and small groups. See the details at viennapres.org/missions/events

Would you like offering envelopes? Please contact Kellie Owens at 703.938.9050 x121 or kellie.owens@viennapres.org to have envelopes mailed to you. Or take advantage of other common ways to give, www.viennapres.org/giving or place donations in the offering plate.
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The LORD is my strength and my shield; My heart trusted in Him, and I am helped; Therefore my heart greatly rejoices, And with my song I will praise Him.” Psalm 28:7

This prayer of faith in times of troubles, trials, and difficult times is echoed in today’s worship song, *Stronger*, by Hillsong.

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Joy to the World (All Creation Sings)

Stronger  

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& Assurance of Pardon

Revelation Song

Prayers of the People  

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Sermon  

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Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

By Faith

Benediction

Postlude

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Joy to the World, written by Isaac Watts in 1719, is based on Psalm 98. Watts wrote the words as a hymn glorifying Christ’s triumphant return at the end of the age, rather than a song celebrating His first coming. Only the second half of Watts’ lyrics are still used today. As of the late 20th century, Joy to the World is the most published Christmas hymn in North America.

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Prelude

Joy to the World!, #40

Apostles’ Creed

As with Gladness Men of Old, #63

Prayer of Confession

& Assurance of Pardon

Christ Be Our Light

Farrell

Offering

Joshua Hong

For, Behold, Darkness Shall Cover The Earth—recitative
The People that Walk in Darkness—aria

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

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Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, #31

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TODAY

Great Hall in between services.

Visit Grapevine Books for your post-Christmas shopping! Or pick up a copy of *The Story*, as we resume our reading!

Give yourself a gift for the new year.

   The gift of...

   worship
   community
   making a difference

Sunday Worship Services: 8am, 9:30am, 11am and online at viennapres.org/worshiplive

Sunday and Midweek classes and groups: A variety of class levels and group involvements to give plenty of opportunity to join at your own pace.

Make a difference in the life of a child, teen, new & old friends at VPC or in the community.

Visit viennapres.org/newyear or stop by the Connect Table in the lobby to learn more.

LOOKING FOR HELP?

GriefShare, Passages, Christian Cancer Companions,
Widows’ Groups, NewSpring, Stephen Ministry, Renewing Prayer Ministry.
Visit viennapres.org/care or contact David Jordan-Haas at 703.938.9050 x116.

Giving is easy:

at viennapres.org/giveonline

In the offering plate on Sunday.

Mail a donation to the church, postmarked by 12.31.14.

Drop off a check at the church office Monday-Friday 9am-5pm.

Make a stock donation. Contact Julie Headley.

julie.headley@viennapres.org

Questions about year-end giving? Please contact Doug Lemasters at doug.lemasters@viennapres.org or call 703.938.9050 x119
No Sunday School Today, December 28 for 1st-6th grade.
One combined preschool 3’s-K class will be held in
room 121 at 9:30am and 11am.

Register at viennapres.org/cmssignups
More information on Children’s Ministries at
viennapres.org/childrens

Middle and High School
Sunday Youth Services (Lower Level):
On hiatus until January 4.
See you in the new year!

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Vienna Presbyterian Church
124 Park Street NE, Vienna, VA 22180
703.938.9050
Pastors:
Peter James, Glenda Simpkins Hoffman,
and David Jordan-Haas
Teaching Pastor: E. Stanley Ott

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Wish to talk about our worship services?
Contact Michelle Rahal,
worshipfeedback@viennapres.org

9:30am
Friendship Class  Rm 109
(for adults with intellectual disabilities)
Foundations  Rm 203/204
Beyond Basics  Rm 205
Partners with Christ  Parlor
Single in Your 40’s and 50’s  2nd-fl. conference room

11am
ESOL  Rm 307
Apprentices  Rm 205
Family Ties  Rm 109

For class descriptions visit the Connect Table in the lobby or online
at viennapres.org/study. For additional information on adult
studies and small groups contact Shannon Jordan at

Bridge your weekday work life with your Sunday spiritual life.
Check out bridgepointconnections.org.