Staying Power

Revelation 13:1-10

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May 3, 2015
Ascension Day Service
Thursday, May 14, 7:30pm
Prayer, Communion, Choir.

Today! 4pm,
Cathedral Brass Concert:
A Jazz Celebration in the
VPC Sanctuary
Featuring favorites by George
Gershwin, Stan Kenton, and
Pat Metheny.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is responding to the earthquake disaster in Nepal. Here’s how you can help:

Give: Financial support for relief efforts can be designated to DR999999 with reference to Nepal. Gifts can be made online, by phone (800) 872-3283 weekdays between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. (EST), or by check mailed to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

Act: Visit pda.pcusa.org and check out Presbyterian Disaster Assistance on Facebook to see ways to help.

Pray: Pray for those who suffered loss of family or those who are working tirelessly to provide rescue, humanitarian aid, and spiritual and psychological support.

For more information, visit www.pcusa.org/pda.

As the summer heats up, we invite you to celebrate a more relaxed pace and try a new experience of worship and fellowship with the Vienna Presbyterian Community.
May 3, 2015

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Following is a description by the Metropolitan Opera of “Meditation” from Thais: Thais, suddenly realizes the superficiality of her life. Looking into a mirror, she asks herself what will happen once her beauty fades. Athanaël enters and she warns him not to love her. He replies that there is a kind of love she doesn’t know and that this love will lead to eternal life. Rejecting both her life of luxury and Athanaël’s God, she collapses in despair. Athanaël says he will wait for her outside the door until daybreak. After a night of soul-searching (orchestral interlude: “Meditation”), Thais appears from her house to tell Athanaël that she is ready to follow him (and his God).

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Blessed Be Your Name

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

One Thing Remains

Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer

God Sighting Stop Hunger Now

Offering
Who Was and Is to Come

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Revelation 13:1-10

Sermon Staying Power Peter James

Communion
Recognition of the Sacraments Class
Great Prayer of Thanksgiving Pg. 13, Hymnal
Meditation from Thais Denton Knight

Your Grace Is Enough

Benediction

Postlude

Please request large-print hymnals from ushers.
Assistive listening devices are available at the Welcome Table.
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What Is a Sacrament? It is a means of grace. John Wesley said, “By ‘means of grace’ I understand outward signs, words, or actions, ordained of God, and appointed for this end, to be the ordinary channels whereby he might convey to one, preventing, justifying, or sanctifying grace.” This means a sacrament is an outward action that represents God giving His grace on the inside. Sacraments are God’s channels for supplying His grace to human beings.

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Prelude
King of Glory

Glory, Holy, Worthy

Prayer of Confession
& Assurance of Pardon

Revelation Song

Children’s Blessing

Children in Bridges and Gateways are dismissed.

God Sighting

Offering
Give Me Jesus

Scripture
Revelation 13:1-10

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How Beautiful

Shout to the Lord

Benediction

Postlude

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Worship 11am

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The author of “Holy, Holy, Holy,” Reginald Heber (April 21, 1783 – April 3, 1826) was an English clergyman, traveler, man of letters and hymn-writer who, after working as a country parson for 16 years, served as the Anglican Bishop of Calcutta until his sudden death at the age of 42. During his short term as bishop, he travelled across areas of India and worked hard to improve the spiritual and general living conditions of his flock. Monuments were erected in his memory in India and in St Paul’s Cathedral, London.

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Prelude
Darrell Scott, organist

Holy, Holy, Holy, #138

Apostles’ Creed
Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

Prayer of Confession (Sung by Choir)
Father, We Have Sinned (Repentance)
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Assurance of Pardon

God Sighting
Stop Hunger Now

Offering
The Old Rugged Cross
Celebration Intergenerational Bell Choir & Keely Rhodes

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

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Behold the Lamb (Communion Hymn)
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Benediction

Postlude

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TODAY

Young Adults luncheon, today in the Lower Level. Special guest Phil Covell will present “the best ways to save, pay off debt.” Lunch is provided; $5 donation requested. Contact Kate De Lanoy at 513.460.5287 with any questions.

Today’s coffee hour is suspended in support of the Great Banquet.

THIS WEEK

Career Networking: Wednesday, May 6. Dinner, inspirational speaker, networking, job fair, and resumé reviews by professionals. More information at bridgepointconnections.org

Weekday Classes:
Monday Night Men’s Group: 7-8:30pm, Great Hall, led by Pastor Pete and Phil Kratovil.
Monday Night Women’s Group: 7-8:30pm, room 324.
Tuesday Morning Women’s Group: 9:30-11:30am, 3rd-floor activity center.
Childcare available with reservation.

LOOKING FORWARD

SWATT (Christian Fellowship for Seniors 55+): Wednesday, May 13. Come to a potluck luncheon in the Great Hall. Hospitality begins at 12:00. We welcome newcomers! No reservation required. Bring a friend and a dish for 8 to share.

Club56, kids group for 5th-6th graders: end-of-year cook-out. Friday, May 8, 7-9pm, 3rd Floor. Contact daryl.wright@viennapres.org for the details!

Widow and Widower Luncheon: May 16, noon, Maplewood Grill, Vienna. There is no age restriction for this ecumenical luncheon. Bring friends from other churches! Individual checks for meals. Contact Harry Mason at 703.281.2634

Youth Sunday! May 17, all three services. See what our students are up to as they take over Sunday morning!

Willow Creek, Global Leadership Summit 2015: Register now at viennapres.org/events Extraordinary speakers from all walks of life will engage and inspire us to become better leaders at home, at work, and in our community. Sign up now and get a discounted rate for this August 6-7 event! Use priority code PV2015 for discounted rate.

LOOKING FOR HELP?


Wednesday, May 13, 7-8:30pm, Great Hall.
Bestselling author Lisa-Jo Baker speaks about why there’s no such thing as “just a mom.” Free event. Desserts and tea will be served. Book available for $10. Seating is limited. RSVP to Tinyurl.com/LisaJoBaker

Saturday, May 16, 8:30-10am “Journey to the Moon” Breakfast with Apollo 16 Astronaut, Charles Duke
Registration and payment available at bridgepointconnections.org/dukebreakfast

Sunday, May 24. Worship at 8am or 9:30am due to the Viva Vienna celebration!
## Children's Childcare and Sunday School

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Register at [viennapres.org/cmsignups](http://viennapres.org/cmsignups)
More information on Children’s Ministries at [viennapres.org/childrens](http://viennapres.org/childrens)

### Adults:
Try one of the Sunday AM classes:

**9:30am**
- Friendship Class Rm 109
  (for adults with intellectual disabilities)
- Foundations Rm 203/204
- Beyond Basics Rm 205
- Partners with Christ Parlor

**11am**
- ESOL Rm 307
- Apprentices Rm 205
- Family Ties Rm 109
- Sacred Marriage Rm 203/204

Singles in Your 40’s and 50’s 2nd-fl. conference room

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 shannon.jordan@viennapres.org

Bridge your weekday work life with your Sunday spiritual life.
Check out [bridgepointconnections.org](http://bridgepointconnections.org)

Middle and High School
Sunday Youth Services Lower Level:
Light breakfast served, 9-9:30am;
Sunday School, 9:30-10:30am.
Youth Groups: Middle School, 5-7pm;
High School, 6:30-8:30pm.
[vpcstudents.org](http://vpcstudents.org)

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Wish to talk about our worship services?
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