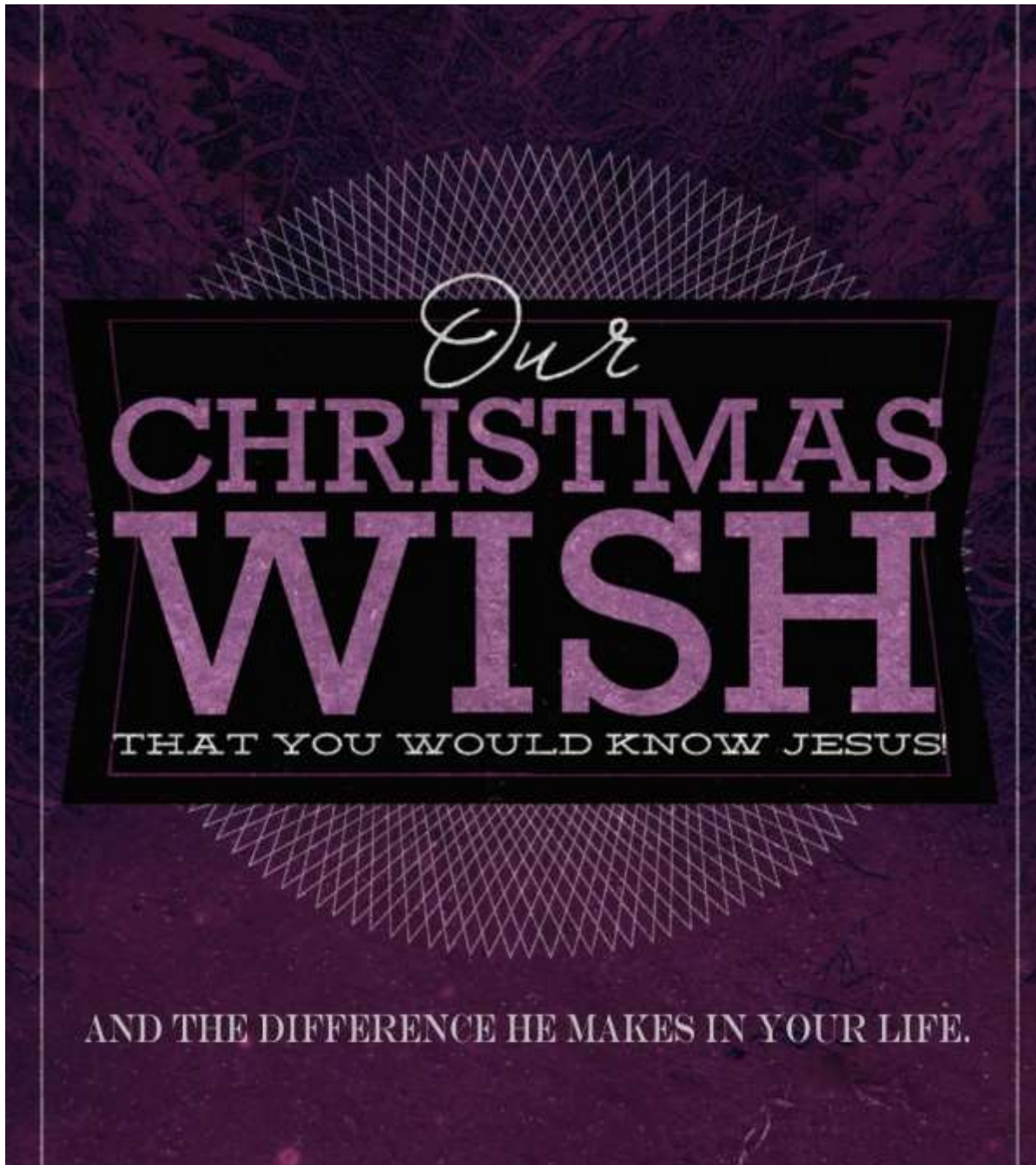


Divine Direction

Matthew 1:18-25



November 27, 2016

Serve &
Grow

Black Friday, Cyber Monday

#GIVINGTUESDAY

November 29, 2016



VPC is partnering with The Community Coalition for Haiti to support ongoing efforts and to bring relief and care to those most severely affected by Hurricane Matthew. Donations to VPC on November 29 will go to support this relief effort in Haiti.



**HELP
WANTED**

VPC is looking for a part-time Weekend Facilities & Building Security Staff

Member, and Sunday Morning Media Assistants. For additional information please visit: viennapres.org/join-the-staff

get involved.



Join us at the many special worship opportunities at Vienna Presbyterian Church and hear how Jesus makes a difference in your life.

Keyed-In 2 Christ

Friday, December 9, 7:30pm

Enjoy a free evening of Christmas music, prayer and worship as we celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. Keyed-In 2 Christ,

a Christian worship duo comprised of Kristina Schenck and Emma Boa-Durgammah are leading this special service. All are welcome.

Christmas Eve Services

4:00 & 5:15pm

Suitable for children through 4th grade; childcare provided.

7:00pm

Traditional service with candlelight; childcare provided.

8:45pm

Traditional service with candlelight; childcare is not provided.

10:30pm

Traditional service with candlelight and celebration of The Lord's Supper; childcare is not provided.

Christmas Day Service, 11:00am

Gather in joyful worship with your friends and neighbors as we celebrate the birth of Christ. Carols, prayer and a message of how Jesus makes a difference in your life. (There will be no 8:00 or 9:30am worship or childcare)

New Year's Day Service, 9:30 & 11:00am

Childcare provided at both services.

Celebration and Community

Church Street Stroll, Monday, November 28, 6-9pm. Get into the Christmas season at the Church Street Stroll. Elf dinner, Christmas carol sing-along, games, crafts and an interactive Christmas skit. Fun for all ages.

Preteen Club, Friday, December 2, 7pm. A time of fellowship and fun for fourth, fifth and sixth graders.

SWATT (Seniors 55+) Christmas Luncheon, Wednesday, December 14, 11:30am, Clyde's of Tyson's. Escape the busy-ness and enjoy our Christmas program. Come for fellowship, food and Christmas Joy. Paid \$35 reservation required by November 23. Contact Betty Little, 703.281.4118.



See page 8 for ways to give back during the Advent season!



Concerts in December

Cathedral Brass Concert, Sunday, December 4, 4pm. A concert for the whole family. Music from jazz to traditional. Featuring Cathedral Brass, percussion ensemble, and keyboard.

Children's Choirs Christmas Concert, Sunday, December 11, 2pm. What do you get when you mix assorted handbell choirs, a chorus of voices, some scripture passages and the magic of the Christmas season? A joyful noise being made unto the Lord! Join our cutest music ministry participants for our annual concert and reception. A reception in the Great Hall immediately follows the concert

Friendship Chimes: Sunday, December 11, 9:15am. Come to the Great Hall prior to the 9:30am services for some Christmas cheer and Sunday, December 18, 9:15am for a Christmas sing-along!

Messiah Concert, Sunday, December 11, 4pm. Hear the Christmas story told in music and word. Sung by the VPC Sanctuary Choir with commentary by Pastor Pete James. Special guests include Metropolitan Opera Soprano, Danielle Talamantes and Terry Sisk at the organ.

Glorious Sounds of Christmas, Sunday, December 18, 4pm. Join our choirs and orchestra as we share in the anticipation of the celebration that is Christmas. Experience the joy, beauty and wonder; invite friends and family. Childcare is available with 48-hour reservation by calling 703.938.9050, x351.

Worship
8:00am &
9:30am

November 27, 2016

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O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Jacques, Leah, Charlotte and Gabriel Oliver

Cannons

Wickham

Unison Prayer of Confession

David Jordan-Haas

O God, we confess before you those places in our hearts where we have refused you entrance: people we have refused to love; habits we never get around to changing; good things we have left undone; and ways in which we hurt you, ourselves, and others. O Come, O Come Emmanuel. May the light of your presence shine on those dark places we have hidden from you. May your love bring warmth to the cold rooms of our hearts that Christ may find a home among us. Now hear our silent prayers of confession.

Assurance of Pardon

Emmanuel (Hallowed Manger Ground)

Tomlin

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

Children's Message (9:30am)

Kim Snyder

Scripture

Matthew 1:18-25

Sermon

Divine Direction

Glenda Simpkins Hoffman

Offering

Prepare Him Room

Fournier/Elliott

In Christ Alone

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Benediction

Postlude

**Please request large-print hymnals from ushers.
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Please switch your hearing aid to T-coil.**

Worship 11:00am

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Prelude

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Jonathan, Amy, Henry and Evangeline Lochhaas

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus, #1

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Assurance of Pardon

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel, #9,

VENI EMMANIEL

Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Anthem

Sanctuary Choir

And The Glory of the Lord

Handel

Doxology

Scripture

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Prayers: for our friends, our loved ones, & our community

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

1 Tim. 2:1-2



GriefShare: Support for those grieving the death of a loved one. Brochures are available in the lobby, or contact GriefShare@viennapres.org

Passages/DivorceCare: Support for those in the process of separation or divorce. viennapres.org/care

Renewing Prayer: Healing for emotional pain. glenda.hoffman@viennapres.org

Visit viennapres.org/care for additional care and support groups.



Need Prayer for Yourself or Someone You Love?

USE THE CARDS on the Welcome table in the narthex and place them in the offering plate or the wooden box in the lobby/narthex; CALL VPC at 703.938.9050, x103; E-MAIL lee.taylor@viennapres.org; or enter a prayer request ONLINE at viennapres.org/prayerrequest.

Please ensure that you have permission before submitting a request on behalf of someone else. Confidentiality requests are strictly honored.

The Prayer Page is not available online.

Please join us in worship, Sundays at 8am, 9:30am or 11am to receive a full bulletin.

We look forward to seeing you!

Please take this list home, and hold these friends in prayer.

TODAY

Coffee and tea! Come to the Great Hall between services to get your caffeine fix!

Husbands and Wives: Looking for a couples' small group? New ones forming now! Contact Deb at deb.crumbly@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050x108 for more info.

Parenting Teens Class: Tonight, 5:30pm, Room 321, with Wood and Emmy Parker. Come join in a fun discussion!

Help out with the VPC Children's Choir program: volunteer as the Children's Choir Manager—Organize registration for the Children's Choirs in conjunction with Children's Ministry. Children's Choir registration is held in September and January. OR volunteer as the Children's Choir Librarian— Organize the music that belongs to the Children's Choir Program and maintain a list of Children's music that we own. Email Gail at kgail17@gmail.com for all the details!

THIS WEEK

Monday Night Men's Group: Led by Pastor Pete and Phil Kratovil. Study, discussion, and pizza. 7-8:30pm, Great Hall.

Women's Monday Night/Tuesday Morning Bible Studies: Monday evenings, 7-8:30pm; Tuesday mornings, 9:30-11:30am. Questions? Contact Shannon at shannon.jordan@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 x123.

Club: Friday, December 2, 7pm, 3rd floor. A time of fellowship and fun for fourth, fifth, and sixth graders.

LOOKING FORWARD

'Almost New' Book Sale: Sunday, December 4, 9am-noon, 2nd floor outside the library.

MOMSnEXt: Wednesday December 7, 7-9pm, Great Hall. Please join us for food, fellowship and growing spiritual friendships as we hear Steph Fink talk about "The Colorful Art of Friendship". For more information or to register, see viennapres.org/MomsnEXt. MomsnEXt meets the first Wednesday of each month, October-June.

Christmas Show Bus Trip to see *Finding Christmas*. Saturday, December 10. Leave VPC at 8:45am; return at 6pm. Great show for the whole family and/or friends! Cost \$50, includes bus and show tickets. RSVP to Betty Little at the church office, 2nd floor. Questions? Mary Campbell, 703.772.6444.



SWATT Christmas Luncheon: Wednesday, December 14, 11:30am, Clyd's in Tysons Corner. Paid reservation of \$35 needed by December 1. Contact Betty Little at 703.281.4118. Special musical guest: Michelle Rahal!

Widows and Widowers Luncheon will be held at the Maplewood Grill at 12:00 noon on Saturday, December 17. For information and reservations contact Harry Mason at 703.281.2634.

LOOKING FOR HELP?

GriefShare, DivorceCare/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.

Mission and Outreach Updates

Community for Helping Others (CHO) Christmas Store:

The CHO pop-up Christmas Store stocks gifts for children ages infant to preteen. Donations accepted at VPC Today in the Great Hall between worship services; and on Friday, December 9, 9am-noon, by the welcome tables. A corps of volunteers will be on hand to receive all gifts.



Suggested donations include: gift cards (Target and Giant are popular choices); soccer balls, variety of sizes, unisex colors; Legos, variety of ages, from preschool to preteen, mini-figs to building sets; drawing/general art kits—paper, crayons, markers, colored pencils (families appreciate when set comes complete, considering space limitations at home); new jackets and/or gloves/mittens, hats (wildly popular, sizes most needed would be boys 8 through 12). As always, since our parents come to the store to shop, all gifts need to be new and unwrapped, price tags removed.

We are so grateful for the support and generosity of our congregation!
Questions? Rebecca Huffman ghuffman@att.net

Alternative Gift Market:

No need to buy Dad another necktie or Mom more of her favorite fragrance, when you can purchase a goat, a chicken, a scholarship or a handmade craft or jewelry to provide much needed support to our brothers and sisters in developing countries. Make your gift count in a very significant way! VPC's Mission Partners will be in the Great Hall, 9am-12:30pm each Sunday in December leading up to Christmas.



Give something **unexpected** this Christmas.

Hurricane Matthew Relief Shoebox Effort:

Fill shoeboxes for Haitian children, Sunday, December 11, 3-4pm (in between the Children's Concert and the *Messiah* Concert). For a list of needed supplies and to sign up to help, visit viennapres.org/local-events



VPC Missions team is working with the Cunningham Park Elementary School Community to provide mentors to at-risk students. Consider making the difference in a child's life. Contact Sue at sue.hamblen@viennapres.org

Visit viennapres.org/local-events for a re-cap of the Vienna CROP Walk event!

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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 Michael Bronson,
worshipfeedback@viennapres.org

