Looking Ahead: September

12 | SWATT Potluck Luncheon and Speaker
   Noon-2:00pm, Great Hall
12 | Steak and a Story (for men and women)
   “Against All Odds” special guests, Mark & Ginger Whitacre
   7:00 - 8:30pm, Great Hall
14 | Refuel Men’s Breakfast
   “The Best Investment Ever” guest speaker, Jeff Skeen
   7:00-8:00am, Tysons Corner Mall Management Offices
14 | CLUB, 4th - 6th Graders
   7:00 - 9:00pm, Third Floor
17 | Monday Night Men’s Group Begins
   7:00pm, Third Floor
17 | Monday Night Women’s Bible Study Begins
   7:00pm, Room 322-323
18 | Tuesday Morning Women’s Bible Study Begins
   9:30am, Room 322-323
18 | DivorceCare Begins
   6:45pm, Room L135
18 | Financial Peace University
   7:00pm, VPC, Register at viennapres.org/financial-peace
23 | “Concert & A Picnic” Outreach Event
   3:00-5:00pm, Town Green
25 | Inside Out: Introduction to Renewing Prayer
   7:00 - 8:30pm, Room 203-204
28 | Bridgepoint Luncheon
   12:00-1:15 pm, Maggianos, Tysons Galleria
   “Carry Me Home” with guest speaker, Chris Fay

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To find more opportunities to grow through worship, community and missions, visit us at:
- Our website at viennapres.org
- Realm at viennapres.org/realm
- Facebook at viennapresbyterian.church
- Instagram at viennapresbyterianchurch/
- Twitter at @ViennaPres
BECOMING LIKE CHRIST TOGETHER

Welcome
We are so glad that you chose to worship with us today. Here at VPC, we are committed to fulfilling our mission: **to become like Christ together for the world.** We invite you to stop by our welcome table after worship, enjoy some coffee in between services in the Great Hall, meet new people and learn how our church can become your home. Let us know you were here by signing our Connect Pad. We’d love to get to know you.

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

All In...To Go All-Out

“All-in” is a poker term. In the game of poker, going all-in is placing all of your chips when you are confident you are holding a winning hand.

All-in can also be used to describe our life of faith. All-in means placing all we are and have in God’s hands. We go all-out for Christ because God lays it all on the line for us on the cross. As long as we are half-hearted and non-committal in our response to God’s grace, we will not likely experience the abundant life Christ offers.

We invite you to go all-in for Christ as we step up our commitments to the person, body, and work of Christ this fall. These primary commitments are also our commitments to the person, body, and work of Christ.

- **Attend weekly sermon series.**
- **Join a Group!**
- **Get more info at viennapres.org/groups.**
- **Attend Group Finder Meet and Greets on September 16 and 23 from 9:00-9:30 and 10:30-11:00 am in the Great Hall.**
- **Grab coffee, snacks, and stop by to chat with group leaders and potential group members.**
- **You can also search groups online at viennapres.org/group-finder.**

GriefShare Support Group Begins Tonight

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? The GriefShare community will walk with you on the path through grief toward healing and hope for the future. The 13-week class begins tonight, September 9, from 6:00 – 8:00pm in room 203/204. Get more info at viennapres.org/grief-support.

Do You Love to Sing or Play a Musical Instrument?

VPC’s Music Ministry hosts the Sanctuary choir that sings at 11:00am and string, brass and handbell groups that play for special occasions. Musicians interested in joining these groups are always welcome and needed. Additionally, there are choir and handbell groups for children and teens. Get more info at viennapres.org/music.

Drivers Needed

VPC is looking for help! We are in need of someone to bring a fellow VPC member with special needs to church one Sunday a month for the 9:30am service (ride home would already be provided). If you live in Annadale and can help out on occasion, please contact Andrea Strahan ajstrahan@gmail.com or text/call 703.343.6553.

Friends in need of special prayers this week:

- Humberto as he shares his ministry with our belong!
- Trina Leslie, Soprano, University of Maryland Choir
- Jeremy Ray; Andrew Rohrback, USMC; 2Lt Amanda M. Ryder, USAF; Lt. JG Albert Schultz, IV, USN; Capt. Austin A. Leedy, USMC; Allyson McKechnie, USA; Lt. Dan Marotto, USA; S. Matthew Migliore, Trauma Nurse, US Army; 2nd Lt. Andrew Hall, USA; Cpl Michael Hill, USMC; Capt. Austin Hall, USMC; Cpl John Elie, USMC; Lt. Cmdr. Eric Volz, USN.

How Can I Find a Group That is Right for Me?

Join a Group!

Life is better together than alone. Join a Bible study group and discover what it’s like to be a part of the Body of Christ! This fall, VPC groups will participate in a 7-week study on the book of Acts. No matter where you are on your faith journey, you’ll discover more of what it means to get to know the person of Christ, be a part of the body of Christ, and do the work of Christ.

- Small group Bible studies – new 7 week adult groups are forming at the end of September
- Midweek Bible study communities for men and women, located here or in Tysons
- Sunday School groups during both the 9:30 and 11:00 am worship hours

Get more info at viennapres.org/adults.

Attention 8:00 Service Attendees

We love the feeling of being a church family. We believe part of being a family is sitting together in worship. Because of this, for Fall Kick-off, we will be blocking off the balcony for the 8:00 service and encouraging everyone to join the congregation on the main floor. We can’t wait to sit together on September 9!

Student-Parent-Leader Social

Parents are invited to the first “Underground PM” meeting today, September 9, at 5:30pm to meet their student’s Small Group leaders and adult AM volunteers. Our prayer is to partner with you to raise teens who will love and serve the Lord.

Against All Odds

The “Steak & A Story” outreach dinner is a great opportunity to introduce unchurched friends to Christ.

Featured speakers are Mark and Ginger Whitacre; the Matt Damon movie, “The Informant” is based on their story. Wednesday, September 12, 7:00-8:30pm in VPC’s Great Hall. For more information and to register, visit www.bridgepointconnections.org.

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Ministry Spotlight: Christian Best Camps of Kenya

Eric Simba founded Christian Best Camps of Kenya (CBCK) in 2005. At a US Christian camp, Simba learned their strategic and operational approach so they could make available a similar experience for children living in the slum outside of Nairobi.

CBCK provides an opportunity for urban youth to encounter Christ in a camp environment. CBCK hosts camps during school holidays for an average of 400 campers. Camp is a welcoming, fun atmosphere. Food, athletic competition, mentorship, counseling and Bible study are provided. Each camp is grounded in a Bible scripture. Weekly, their volunteers, meet with campers at their schools for Bible study, counseling and group activities.

CBCK efforts are leading to spiritual, environmental, social and economic transformation for our campers and community.

Please pray for the following Mission Partners:

**Christian Best Camps of Kenya, Erick Simba:** As Erick visits the US and VPC, sharing his vision of bringing the Gospel to children in Kenya.

**Ligonier Camp and Conference Center:** Prayers of gratitude for the 100’s of VPC children who have attended this Christian Summer Camp.

**Sports Outreach Institute:** For El Salvador Country Director Humberto as he shares his ministry with our belong! community.

**Pray for our Military Men and Women:**

Gray Adcock, Coast Guard; Caitlin Addams, Chief Petty Officer, USN; SGT Todd Alexander, USA; SGT Michael Doumas; SPC Alex Doumas; Cpl John Elie, USMC; Tsgt. Samuel Geschiere, USAF; Andrew Hall, USA; Cpl Michael Hill, USMC; Capt. Austin A. Leedy, USMC; Allyson McKechnie, USA; Lt. Dan Marotto, USA; S. Matthew Migliore, Trauma Nurse, US Army; 2nd Lt. Austin Murga, USA; Airman John Myrah, III, USN; Lt. Cmdr. Jeremy Ray; Andrew Rohrback, USMC; 2Lt Amanda M. Ryder, USAF; Lt. JG Albert Schultz, IV, USN; Petty Officer 2nd Class Eric Volz, USN.