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CONTACT US

You can contact our pastor on: pastor@viennacommunitychurch.com For questions or information about our church, please contact us via email: info@viennacommunitychurch.com

MEETING POINT

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THANK YOU TO ALL SERVING IN WORSHIP

Guest Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Neil Parker
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Reader:	Maria Ciliberti
Flowers:	Maria & Dale Atwell in memory of & thanksgiving for our parents

Goodbye, Auf Wiedersehen, Totsiens, さようなら Paalam, Tchau, Kwaheri, Vizontlátásra!

Many Cultures, One Faith - Praising God by Reaching People for Christ!

<http://www.viennacommunitychurch.com>



We are a Bible-based, English-speaking, international, interdenominational, ecumenical, friendly and welcoming community.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

29 September 2019

11:55 A.M. SILENT MEDITATION

Gathering in God's Presence

Prelude

Choral Invocation

Greeting

Tomasz Pietak

VCC Choir

Rev. Dr. Neil Parker

● Call to Worship

Pastor: Come into this household of God that we might all listen to God's Word and discern the wisdom that comes only from God.

People: We have come to learn more about the way and the love of God. Praise the Lord with our hearts! Praise the Lord!

● Opening Hymn "Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

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● Opening Prayer (Unison)

Let us gather to call ourselves into mindfulness of the sacred gift of time: worship time and Sabbath time. O Spirit, you swept through the ages: be among us now to fill us with radical amazement at the wonder of creation and creativity. Call to us that we may hear your voice in beauty, in witness, in song, and in prayer, and respond with all that we have to offer: body, mind, soul, and spirit. Whisper to us when we doubt your goodness and despair of hope in a world fraught with signs of destruction, that we may yet hear your still small voice. Amen.

● Declaration of Forgiveness

Pastor: Hear, then, the good news of the Gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

● Passing the Peace

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us extend the Peace of Christ to one another.

Special Music

VCC Choir

Hearing the Word of God

Bible Reading

1 Timothy 6: 6-19

Maria Ciliberti

Sermon “Endless forms most beautiful and most wonderful”

Rev. Dr. Neil Parker

Responding to God’s Word

● **Responding Hymn** “Though I May Speak”

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Offering Organ Meditation

Tomasz Pietak

● **Glory be to the Father**

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The Sacrament of Communion

● **The Apostles’ Creed**

● **The Words of Institution**

Communion

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Meditation

Lord’s Prayer

Closing

Welcome and Congregational News

● **Closing** “Seek Ye First”

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● **Benediction**

● **Congregational Amen**

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Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Tomasz Pietak

WELCOME VISITORS/Prayer Request/Volunteer forms

can be found at the ends of the pews. Please print your request clearly and place the completed form in one of the offering baskets. **Thank you!**

Join us for coffee hour across the courtyard after the service!

WHAT’S ON:

VCC Harvest Festival, Sunday 6th October

Bring canned goods, non-perishable food items, and men’s clothing in good condition as donations to Haus St. Joseph, Caritas charity for the homeless.

Ladies’ Morning Bible Study hosted by Tertia Behr will have a break and begin again on the 8th of October. The topic is *Fruits of the Spirit*.

The VCC Choir is looking for new singers! If you like to sing, come join in – practice in the Sanctuary at 11:00 every Sunday morning. Upcoming choir rehearsals: Sept. 29 and October 6 after Church in the Sanctuary; October 11 at the Meeting Point 17:00 to 18:30.

Film and Co. – “The Counterfeiters” Award-winning Austrian film, October 9 at 19:00 at the Meeting Point (see flyer)

College & Career Group

A **Welcome Back Dinner** will be held in October. Please contact Alice Wanner for more details: a.wanner92@gmail.com

VCC Volunteers - Would you like to lend a hand in VCC activities? Sign up as a Volunteer at coffee hour.

OUR DAILY DEVOTION: <https://utmost.org>

PRAYER CHAIN: prayer@viennacommunitychurch.com

Scripture Reading

1 Timothy 6: 6-19 (NIV)

⁶ But godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷ For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. ⁸ But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. ⁹ Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. ¹¹ But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴ to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which God will bring about in his own time—God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, ¹⁶ who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen.

¹⁷ Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. ¹⁹ In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.