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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

39/3 Untere Donaustraße, 1020 Vienna

THANK YOU TO ALL SERVING IN WORSHIP

Guest Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Neil Parker
Choir Director	Cassandra McConnell
Organist:	Tomasz Pietak
Sunday School:	Edson Dorneles
Bulletin Editor:	Ngozi Okpalaugo
Greeters:	Hilda Mwathi & Tinghan Liu
Ushers:	Anne Storey & Hilda Mwathi
Reader:	Maria Ciliberti
Flowers:	Hilda Mwathi (For thanksgiving, birthday and farewell until the next Spring)

*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>

Pastor Neil can be reached at pastor@viennacommunitychurch.com



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

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

13 October 2019

11:55 A.M. SILENT MEDITATION

Gathering in God's Presence

Prelude

Tomasz Pietak

Greeting

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**

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

#86

● **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

Kenyan Choir

Time With the Children

“Jesus loves me, this I know”

#113

Hearing the Word of God

Bible Reading

Luke 17:11-19

Maria Ciliberti

Sermon

“One Out Of Ten Isn’t ...”

Rev. Dr Neil Parker

Responding to God’s Word

● Responding Hymn

“Let All Things Now Living”

#717

Offering

Kenyan Choir

● Glory be to the Father

#35

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Meditation

Lord’s Prayer

Closing

Welcome and Congregational News

● Closing

“O Christ The Healer We Have Come”

#503

● Congregational Amen

#312

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:

TODAY, October 13 at 12:00 p.m. – Kenyan Choir

The HIKARI School of Music singing for us! Let us warmly welcome them to VCC & during the Coffee Hour at the Fellowship Hall.

TODAY, Sunday School (SS) Parent/Teacher Meeting after the Service

All parents of the SS children and anyone interested in helping go to the SS rooms in the Lutheran Church immediately after service for a short meeting.

VCC Harvest Festival -- Donated to ‘Haus St. Josef’ Run by Caritas

Thank you all for your donations last Sunday toward the ‘Haus St. Josef’.

TUESDAY, October 15 at 7-9 p.m.

VCC Bible+ Club – Guest Speaker Rev. Dr. Tom Garrison at the Meeting Point (see flyer)

Save the Date:

1. **FRIDAY, October 25 -- Ladies Who Lunch**

Contact Nita Schimscha nd.schimsch@aon.at

2. **SUNDAY, October 27 -- Tour of Steinhof** (see flyer)

College & Career Group -- A Welcome Back Dinner 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.

The VCC Choir – Practice at 11:00 every Sunday Morning

Is looking for new singers! If you like to sing, come join in – Practice in the Sanctuary at 11:00 every Sunday morning

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

PRAYER CHAIN: prayer@viennacommunitychurch.com



TOUR

OTTO WAGNER'S ART NOUVEAU JEWEL KIRCHE AM STEINHOF/CHURCH ON STEINHOF



WHEN: Sunday, 27 October 2019
TIME: 2-4 PM

STARTING POINT: VCC Courtyard (1, Dorotheergasse 16) at 2PM
GETTING THERE: U3 Stephansplatz to Ottakring, change to the Bus 48A to Otto-Wagner-Spital; then 20 min. walk to the Church
ENTRANCE FEE: 5€

OPTIONAL: Late lunch after the Tour

Organizer: Rainer Zimmermann (Mobile: 069917770039)

All are welcome and no reservations necessary!



Reverend Dr. Neil Parker

Pastor Parker has been serving as an ordained minister in the United Church of Canada for 36 years, and since 1998 has served as the Senior Chaplain at the Canadian Army Training Centre in Meaford. During this time he has been deployed to Bosnia and Haiti overseas, and transferred eight times in the 19 years he served.

Previously he served at a multi-point church in Petitcodiac NB, a small-town church in Summerland BC, and a suburban church in Burnaby British Columbia. He grew up in Victoria, BC and attended the University of Ottawa for his BA in History of Religion. In 1983 he received his M.Div. from the Vancouver School of Theology and he later received an MA in Theology (Ethics) from St. Paul University in Ottawa. In 2014 he received his Doctorate in Ministry (Ethics) from St. Paul's.

Pastor Neil holds not only a certificate in Conflict Resolution from the Justice Institute in British Columbia, but he recently completed an MA in Disaster and Emergency Management, and training as an intentional interim minister. Pastor Neil's extended family is spread from Victoria, Canada to Guangzhou, China. His wife Helena is Austrian, and following his retirement from the United Church of Canada, they are now focusing on residing in Vienna.

Let's warmly welcome Pastor Neil to the VCC!

ATTENTION PLEASE

Sunday readings are chosen from an ecumenical cycle of readings from the Bible. If you would like to read ahead from the Scriptures Pastor Neil is studying this week, they can be found at <http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu>."

Pastor Neil can be reached at pastor@viennacommunitychurch.com. If you would like to book an appointment with him, his online calendar is at <https://doodle.com/mm/neilparker/book-a-time>.

Scripture Reading -- Luke 17: 11-19 (NIV)

Jesus Heals Ten Men with Leprosy

¹¹Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee.

¹²As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance

¹³and called out in a loud voice, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us!”

¹⁴When he saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were cleansed.

¹⁵One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice.

¹⁶He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

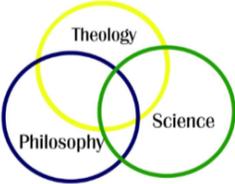
¹⁷Jesus asked, “Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?”

¹⁸Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?”

¹⁹Then he said to him, “Rise and go; your faith has made you well.”

Sermon Notes

VCC BIBLE+ CLUB



Theology
Philosophy
Science

Christianity Interacting in the Modern World

OCTOBER BIBLE+



II. The Gospels. Their formation, literature, and understanding not only of the intent but the audience that received them.

Summary: We will be examining each Gospel to understand what materials are included and the way the story of Jesus is told. There will be a continuous discernment as to the Communities of Faith each was written to and why they would need the story told as it was. The concept of taking each Gospel as a unit unto itself will be an important part of our understanding. **This Bible+ dialogue is designed to respect the integrity of God's gift to humanity and the guidance of the Holy Spirit for each Community of Faith as they received their Gospel.**

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Tom Garrison

Date: Tuesday, 15 October 2019

Time: 7-9PM (Doors open at 18:30)

Where: VCC Meeting Point, Untere Donaustraße 39/3, 1020

Light Refreshments will be served. Please bring something to share.