

THE VIENNA COMMUNITY CHURCH



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Come As You Are!

The Lord has the power to change lives and the world!
"I am the way and the truth and the life."
John 14:6

Worship: Sunday at 12 Noon
With Child Care and Sunday School

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

Pastor: Dr. Gábor Lassu
Dorotheergasse 16, 1010 Vienna



Bible Reading: Philippians 3:7-14 (NIV)

7 But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. **8** What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ **9** and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in^[a] Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. **10** I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, **11** and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. **12** Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. **13** Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, **14** I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Sermon Notes

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

29 July 2018

————— **11:55** a.m. Time for Silent Meditation —————

Gathering in God's Presence

Prelude *"Prélude"* by Theodore Dubois Sven J. Koblicsek, M.A.

Greeting Pastor Gábor

- **Call to Worship**

Pastor: Say to God, How awesome are your deeds!

All: All the earth worships you and sings praises to you.

- **Opening Hymn** *"Oh Worship the King"* #17

- **Prayer of Confession** (Unison)

Gracious Lord, give us the courage to seek forgiveness. Remind us that confession is never a mistake; it frees us from the chains of the enemy. We know we cannot hide our hearts from you. Help us to let go of our bitterness and fear, and purify us with the knowledge that you have taken away every sin. In your name we pray together, 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.

Hearing the Word of God

Special Music	<i>"Eternal Life"</i> by Olive Dugan	Kristin Lewis
Bible Reading	Philippians 3:7-14 (NIV)	Sita Weinrich
Sermon	<i>"To Win the Prize"</i>	Pastor Gábor

Responding to God's Word

- **Responding Hymn** *"This is a Day of New Beginnings"* #518
- Offering** *"My Tribute"* by Andrae Crouch Eudora Price
- **Doxology** #46

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

- **Apostle's Creed**
- **The Words of Institution**

Holy Communion

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayers

- **The Lord's Prayer** (in your own language)

Closing

Welcome and Congregational News David Nolland

- **Closing Hymn** *"Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart"* #265
- **Benediction**
- **Congregational Amen** #312
- **Dismissal**

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Royal Fireworks Music* by Handel Sven J. Koblischek, M.A.

What's Happening

PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE: <http://viennacommunitychurch.com>
Unless otherwise stated, all events take place at the
Meeting Point, 39/3 Untere Donaustraße, 1020 Vienna

**New?
Start
Here**

Is God leading you to be part of our church family?
Would you like to know more about our congregation?
Please contact me via email and I would be honored to
assist you and get to know you better! Thank you!
Pastor Gábor pastor@viennacommunitychurch.com

PASTORAL



VISITATION

Dear Church Family,

I would like to extend my regular pastoral visitation towards those as well, with whom I have not met yet in their home. It would be wonderful to get to know you better, to talk about you, your family, your faith and just simply have a great time together around a coffee or tea. Please let me know via email if you would like to welcome a pastoral visit and then we can set up a time and date which works for both of us. I am looking forward to getting to know you better and pray together with you!

Thank you, many blessings and see you soon!

Pastor Gábor

pastor@viennacommunitychurch.com



THURSDAY, August 2nd at 7 pm

College & Career Group

Hosted by Francesca Lim, Reinier & Noelanie Coetzer.
vccyoungadults@viennacommunitychurch.com



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

PRAYER CHAIN: prayer@viennacommunitychurch.com



Silent Meditation

We would like to respectfully ask all our members and visitors to:

Please come to church earlier

than the worship begins at 12 noon just so you have plenty of time to get situated. Please note that we have a **Time for Silent Meditation from 11:55 a.m.** when we are all quietly able to pray.

Thank you for your kind understanding and cooperation! May the Holy Spirit help us to deepen our spiritual community with our Lord as we praise and worship Him joyfully!

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!**

How to Donate to the Vienna Community Church

Funding of VCC comes solely from the gifts of members, friends, and visitors. If you would like to support this congregation's ministry, please put your gift into the offering-basket: envelopes on the pew-racks are provided for your use. **All currencies** are welcome, as are **electronic transfers** to VCC's account:

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at the ERSTE Bank, (Bank Code / BLZ 20111) and **checks (cheques)**. For **U.S.A. tax credit**, please make checks payable to **AFCU (American and Foreign Christian Union)** and write **"Vienna Community Church"** on the memo line. Checks may also be mailed to **AFCU, AFCU Treasurer, 2885 Sanford Ave. SW #29934 Grandville, MI 49418 U.S.A.** (note new address)

CONTACT US

If you would like to contact our pastor, you can reach him on:
pastor@viennacommunitychurch.com If you have any other questions or like to know more about our church, choir, publications or gatherings, please contact us via email: info@viennacommunitychurch.com

MEETING POINT

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THANK YOU TO ALL SERVING IN WORSHIP

Pastor: Dr. Gábor Lassu
Organist: Sven J. Koblischek, M.A.
Choir Director: Cassandra McConnell
Sunday School: Linda Bednar
Bulletin Editor: Dr. David Nolland
Greeters: Tertia & Burkhard Behr
Ushers: Sita Weinrich
Reader: Sita Weinrich
Flowers: Sonja Botha (celebrating her sons' birthdays in July & August)

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

Through Many Cultures, One Faith
We Praise God by Reaching People for Christ!

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