

Versailles Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship

January 3, 2010 2nd Sunday after Christmas 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome and Announcements

Please indicate your attendance by signing the Friendship Pad.

Prelude

***Call To Worship** (from Cokesbury) *Charles Christensen*
From nations far away from Bethlehem the Wise Ones came, seeking the child who would bring peace and unity to the world.
We come from different backgrounds, different experiences, and yet we long for the One who will bring peace and hope.
Look! Proclaim! God is truly with us!
Thanks be to God.

***Hymn 63** As with Gladness Men of Old DIX
(8:30 - vs 1&4)

Prayer of Praise

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession (from *Book of Common Worship*)
God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Welcoming Moment

Hymn 66 We Three Kings of Orient Are THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE
**We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.**

Refrain:

**O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;
Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!**

**Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown Him again,
King forever, ceasing never over us all to reign,**
(Refrain)

**Frankincense to offer have I: Incense owns a Deity nigh;
Prayer and praising we are raising, worshiping God Most High.**
(Refrain)

**Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb.**
(Refrain)

HEARING THE WORD

Gospel Reading Matthew 2:1-12 p. 783 Pew Bible

Responsive Reading (11:00) Psalm 72, selected verses
Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to a king's son.

May he judge your people with righteousness, and your poor with justice.

May the mountains yield prosperity for the people, and the hills, in righteousness.

May he defend the cause of the poor of the people, give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.

May he live while the sun endures, and as long as the moon, throughout all generations.

May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass, like showers that water the earth.

Anthem Beautiful Star of Bethlehem PACE & BOYCE
The Presby Pickers

Time for Our Children (11:00)
(Children ages 3 - 5th grade are dismissed for Little Church & Junior Church)

Old Testament Reading Ecclesiastes 3:1-14 p. 537 Pew Bible

Sermon Christmas in the New Year *Melissa Bane Sevier*

***Hymn 2092** like a child LIKE A CHILD

***Affirmation of Faith** Adapted from "The Confession of 1967," *The Book of Confessions of the Presbyterian Church (USA)*

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of human minds. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful humanity. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of God's love.

In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

***Response** Angels We Have Heard on High
Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People

Our Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Collection of Tithes and Offerings
The Offertory

***Doxology**(11:00) We Three Kings of Orient Are THREE KINGS OF ORIENT
(Hymn 66, verse 5)

**Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and Sacrifice;
Alleluia, Alleluia sounds through the earth and skies.**

**O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright;
Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light!**

*Prayer of Dedication

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

***Closing Hymn 62** Bring We the Frankincense of Our Love EPIPHANY SONG
(8:30 - vs 1&3)

*Benediction

***Benediction Response** As with Gladness Men of Old
**Holy Jesus, every day keep us in the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide, where no clouds Thy glory hide.**

*Postlude

*Please Stand

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: *Davis Barkley, Carolyn Preston; Sandy Thor (Patsy Shryock's friend); Rebecca Jewell Cecil (Allen & Joan's oldest daughter); Katherine Giles; Tim Moore (Prudence Cowan's son-in-law); Heather & Brian Johnston (Suzanne Long's friends); Mack & Martha Miller; Sonny McCauley; Norma Arnold; Carol Carpenter's parents and aunt; Davis Lee Watts; Marilyn Clark (Sharon Bloom's sister); Forrest Turner, Jane Purpus (John Hutcherson's sister, Kelley and Martha Jane's daughter); Richard Potts (Carol Dickey's cousin); Virgie Bosse (Linda's mother); Dolores Dettman (Suzanne Long's sister); Dena Sumner (Ann Jones' neighbor); Jean Smith (Elizabeth Yanarella's neighbor); Jim Moore (friend of Jaeckels); Zane Young; Mariam Easter (Toby's mother); Carol Rae Redding (Tammy Hutcherson's mother); David Howe (friend of the Geilear's); Mark Jewell (Joan & Allen's son-going to Iraq); Maya Wilhoit (Jim & Louise's daughter-in-law); George Haddad (friend of Ann Jones'); Gary Long (Suzanne Long's nephew); Martha Westfall; John Mahan (friend of Hammonds); Sandy Bletzold (Carol Carpenter's cousin);*

YOUTH NEWS: High School Youth will meet tonight from 5-7pm

Blood Drive in January!

It's a fact that only 5% of the population gives blood, YET 90% of us will be in need of blood by the time we are 60 years old! What other activity can you do that can save three lives in thirty minutes?? Mark your calendar for **Wednesday, January 6!** The Blood Mobile will be at VPC from 5-7 p.m. It will be set-up on the side of our building (where the Farmer's Market is located). Plan now to give of yourself. **GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE!!!**

Wednesday Night Dinner & Programs

Join us this week. Dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. A kid friendly option will be provided. Following dinner, there will be programs for adults and children. Nursery is available from 6:45 7:30 if needed-please use the sign up below.

Please make your dinner reservation using the form below and dropping it in the offering plate or calling the office no later than noon on Tuesday.

Adults & children over 10: \$8.00 Children age 3 10: \$3.50
Children under 3: free Maximum family rate is \$26.00

_____ Yes, I/we will be at dinner on Wednesday.

Name: _____

No. of adults _____ No. of Children _____ Need Nursery _____

Volunteer Schedule

Week	Ushers	Greeters	Volunteers	Nursery
01/03	8:30 a.m. Donna Kelly	Gary & Mary Lee Gillis Thom, Connie & Victoria Kupets	Volunteer Needed	9:30am-noon Jerri Jo Tackett
	11:00 a.m. Jean Lawson	Bill & Laura Dake Non & Penny Evans		
01/10	8:30 a.m. Donna Kelly	Milton & Jerri Jo Tackett Margaret Shanks Virginia Carroll	Lois Gaines (1/11)	9:30am-noon Judy Beach
	11:00 a.m. Jean Lawson	Dan & Mary Nehring Toby & Darlene Easter		

Reminder to VPC committees: all 2009 receipts are due in the office by **tomorrow, Monday, January 4**, to be included in 2009 expenses.

UPDATE ON PLEDGES RECEIVED FOR 2010

This year we are encouraging VPC members to pledge their annual gift. So far we've received **62 pledges**. Why pledge? It helps the session determine the budget and cash flow for the next year, making VPC a healthier, happier church. Pledges are being tracked on a thermometer in the Welcome Center. Contact the office if you need a pledge card.

LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY?

Did you make a New Years Resolution to volunteer more? There are lots of opportunities to serve here at VPC. Committees are always looking for new faces to help prepare the church for worship, fellowship, missions and more! **One area in need of a couple more people is our Monday morning office volunteers.** Duties include posting the hymn numbers for Sunday mornings, answering the telephone, tidying up the kitchen and restocking the coffee station. Most volunteers work from 9am-noon on Mondays about once per month, but the hours are quite flexible. If you think this may be something you would be interested in doing, see Ann Jones (879-8230) or call the church office.

Monday Morning Bible Study

The Ladies' Monday Morning Bible Study will resume tomorrow, Monday, January 4, at 9:00 a.m. We will be studying Lesson 4 in "Loving Justice."

THANK YOU!

Many, many thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who helped make our Community Christmas Dinner a huge success in 2009. Thanks to those who donated food, managed the kitchen, organized the food deliveries, worked the buffet lines, delivered meals and helped clean up! Your generosity of food, good spirits, high energy and kind words to those in need is a blessing, and we are humbled by your gifts. More than 125 meals were delivered throughout Woodford County to shut-ins and on-duty emergency workers and hospital staff. About 25 more guests came and enjoyed a home made Christmas dinner in our Fellowship Hall.

We are also so very grateful to all the people from our community who came to our church and helped serve and deliver meals. We made new friends on Christmas Day. What a wonderful gift! Blessings and thanks to all.

SUPPER CLUB HOLIDAY BASH

The supper clubs are sponsoring an open house at Melissa and Jerry Sevier's home for you and your guests on Saturday, January 9, 6:30 p.m.--??? We'll provide hot cider; please bring finger food and any special beverage you'd like. Come join the fun! This is a great time to invite friends you think might be interested in VPC.

Jerry and Melissa live at 2001 Carter Court. Come down McCowan's Ferry from the middle school about 3/10 mile and turn left into the first subdivision onto Mitchell Lane. Go to the top of the hill and turn left onto Carter Court. They are in the house on the corner (red brick with white columns), 873-1553.

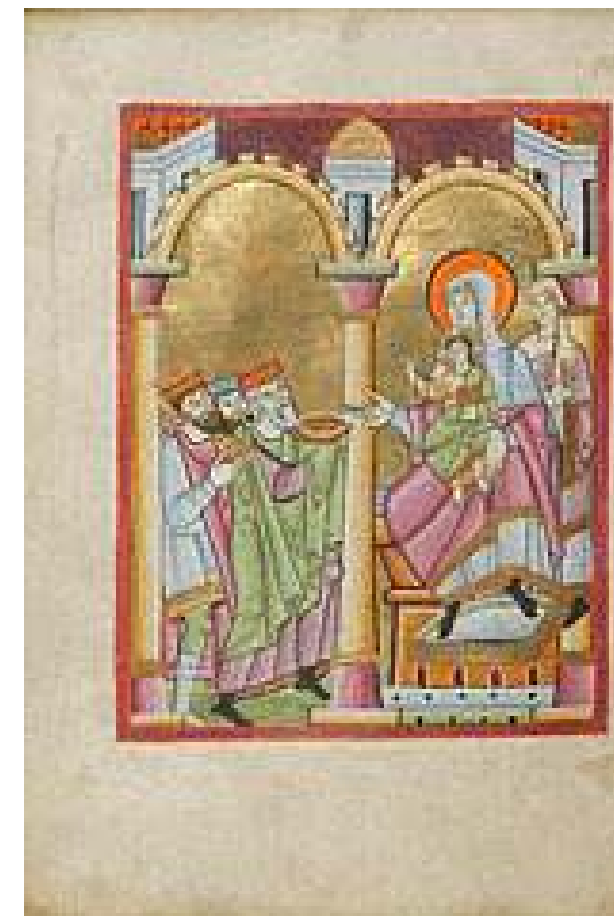
YOGA CLASSES

Do you want to loose weight while you sleep? Interested in eliminating those nagging aches and pains? Do you want more flexibility and relaxation in your life? Try yoga! VPC is looking for people interested in taking a 6-week yoga class with Kerri and Dan Vantrease beginning in January. If interested, contact Ann Jones.

THE BIGGEST LOSER--SEASON II

Season II of the VPC Biggest Loser begins **Sunday, January 10**. If you want to lose weight and need some motivation, join your VPC family. It is a fun and competitive way to raise money for the Food Pantry. All you have to do is contribute \$20 to the pot. The person who loses the most weight wins half the money and the other half is donated to the local Food Pantry. Weigh-ins are monthly and confidential. Who knows? You could join Season I winner Tom Peirson as one of VPC's Biggest Losers! First weigh-in is January 10. Contact Ann Jones if you want to participate (craftyann41@windstream.net or 879-8230)

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The Adoration of the Magi (Unknown)
Ottonian, Regensburg, about 1030-1040
Tempera colors and gold leaf on parchment

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VPC STAFF

Melissa Bane Sevier, Pastor
 Charlie Christensen, Elder/Lay Pastor Jeff Eller, Youth Director
 Elizabeth Yanarella, Music Director Sara Martin & Mona Phelps, Office Manager
 Emily Crain, Preschool Director Ann Jones, Communications Coordinator
 Sharon Bloom, Recorder Ken Joyce, Custodian
 Michelle Johnson, Children's Ministry Coordinator/Director of Christian Education

CALENDAR

Sunday, 1/3 8:30 & 11:00 am Worship 5-7 pm H.S. Youth Group	Wednesday, 1/6 5-7pm Blood Drive 6pm Dinner 6:45 pm Programs 7:30 pm Choir	Friday, 1/8 Staff Party
Monday, 1/4 9am Ladies' Bible Study	Thursday, 1/7 9am-12:30 pm Parents' Day Out Book Club	Saturday, 1/9 6:30 pm Supper Club Holiday Bash
Tuesday, 1/5 10:30 am Ladies' Circle		Sunday, 1/10 8:30 & 11:00 am Worship