

In Our Community/Area

Summer Music Series—Monday's at 6:30pm

Willmar Community Center—624 NE Hwy 71

July 19—Alicia Alvarado—Superb Singer

\$3.00 includes refreshments.

Becker Market—every Thursday from 3-6:30pm

June—September

On Becker Avenue (between 4th & 5th St SW)

Produce vendors, food demonstrations with free samples, zumba demonstrations, children's activity tent, master gardeners, information booth, baked items, jewelry, clothing, entertainment and more.

Relay for Life

Relay for Life will be held on July 23-24 at the Willmar Junior High Track field. Luminaries will be sold at Vinje Sunday, July 18. Proceeds go to American Cancer Society. Vinje's Relay for Life contact is Donna Vigen (231.3706).

Meals on Wheels

Volunteers from Vinje will be delivering meals to homes from July 19-30th, three routes each day. Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help deliver the meals.

We can always use more drivers; if you are interested in helping out, please call Joan Hinderaker at 235-1479 or Lillian Fossum at 235-1867.

Thank you!

A big thank you goes out to Susan Thorson for making a beautiful oversized lap quilt that will be Vinje's donation to the Green Lake Quilt Auction. She donated the fabric and time in quilting this colorful creation called "Sunshine and Shadow." Just a reminder, the Quilt Auction is July 23 and 24. Thanks again Susan!

AARP Driver Safety Class

Sign up and save 10% on your car insurance. Class is July 26 & 27—5:15-9:15pm at North American State Bank, Willmar. Cost is \$12 AARP members and \$14 non-AARP members. Register by calling Tracy at 235-6466.

Vinje **Connections**

Bridge—Mondays @ 12pm Willmar Community Center

ALL CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY

July 20 at 11:30 am in the Vinje Gathering Area.

Pastor Mary Hovland will lead us in the study.

Come for lunch, learning, and laughter!

Any questions, please call Bobbi Gates at 222-8464.

July Book Group

Please join us for coffee and discussion on Tuesday, July 27th from 3:30-5pm at Deidra's Café, Willmar. All are welcome! The July book is "Look Again" by author Lisa Scottoline ~ Questions/Call Diane Rasmussen 235-0418 or Jean Johnson 231-1563

Congregational Life

Pastor Steve and Becky Host Last Outdoor Gathering at Green Lake, Sunday, July 18

There will be one July Outdoor Gathering at Pastor Steve's family lake home on Green Lake. The gathering is 4-8pm, Sunday, July 18. This gathering is geared for families. Bring the children to swim. The beach is sandy with shallow water. A hot dog supper will be served.

This is an event for relaxed fellowship and a chance to talk about Vinje's future. Pastor Mary will also be there, so it will be a chance to get to know her better.

Sign-up by calling the church office, 235-1441 or pastorknudson@vinjchurch.com. Address of the cabin is 13044 Indian Beach Road, located on the east side of Green Lake, 1/4 mile south of Indian Beach Cove development.

Children's Ministry



Vacation Bible School God's Great Get Together August 2nd-5th, 2010

Hosted by Vinje and
Calvary Lutheran Churches

Registration Information: Available on-line or forms are in the gathering area! Go to www.vinjchurch.com Registration deadline is July 26th! 10 volunteers are need to help serve a light supper each evening. Please call Linda if you can help out one night.

Taking Faith Home . . .

Daily Bible Readings:

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday. Try to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passage.

Sunday ~ Luke 10:38-42	<i>Only one thing needed</i>
Monday ~ Ecclesiastes 2:17-26	<i>Wisdom about work</i>
Tuesday ~ Isaiah 55:1-6	<i>Listen, and eat what is good</i>
Wednesday ~ 2 Peter 1:3-11	<i>Everything we need has been given</i>
Thursday ~ Matthew 6:25-33	<i>Do not worry</i>
Friday ~ Philippians 4:6-9	<i>Do not be anxious</i>
Saturday ~ Psalm 127	<i>Unless the Lord builds the house</i>
Sunday ~ Luke 11:1-13	<i>Jesus teaches about prayer</i>

Scripture Verses for the Week:

God was pleased to bring all things back to himself because of what Christ has done. That includes all things on earth and in heaven. God made peace through Christ's blood, through his death on the cross.— Colossians 1:20

Devotional Practices:

Jesus said to Martha "you are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed" (Luke 10:41). In your home devotion times this week share any worries that are on your minds. Pray about these concerns, asking God to care for you and give you his peace. Say together these words from Philippians 4:6-7 – *'Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand.'*

Prayer for this Week:

Lord God, thank you for making peace with me. Please keep my faith in you steady and firm. **Amen.**



Check out this devotional site:

http://www.luthersem.edu/godpause/daily_view.aspx

GOD PAUSE

Free Community Meal — 3rd Saturday at Noon Next meal at Vinje is August 21

Community Meals are Free and open to everyone, in an effort to bring people together in the community through food and fellowship. All ages invited and welcome!

If you'd like to make a monetary donation to support the free meals, make checks payable to Vinje. If you'd like to help with preparation, serving or clean up contact Deb Kleven 235-7687 or Becky Knudson 235-2192

Free Community Meal Calendar:

1st Saturday at Noon – Harvest Community Church

1st Sunday @ 6 pm – First Baptist Church

2nd Sunday @ 6pm – First Presbyterian Church

3rd Saturday at Noon – Vinje & Paz Y Esperanza

3rd Sunday @ 6 pm – Calvary Lutheran Church

4th Sunday @ 6pm – United Methodist Church

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MISSION STATEMENT

God calls Vinje to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament.

As God's people,
we invite people into faith in Christ;
celebrate life together in God's grace;
care for the needs of people;
prepare one another to live lives of joyful witness and service for God.

Our Vision is where everyone within reach of the Vinje community may experience God's presence and say:

**I am a child of God
**I am forgiven-saved by grace
**I know God is good
**I am a servant of God

This Week at Vinje

Sunday, July 18

- 8:30 am Worship
- 10:00 am Courtyard Worship
- 4:00 pm Gathering at Knudson's on Green Lake

Monday, July 19

- 12:00 pm Bridge

Tuesday, July 20

- 11:30 am All Circle Bible Study

Wednesday, July 21

- 9:00 am Staff
- 6:30 pm Midweek Renewal Service

Thursday, July 22

- 9:15 am Loving Arms Chapel Time

Sunday, July 25

- 8:30 am Worship (communion)
- 10:00 am Courtyard Worship (communion)

Sunday Attendance Last Week— 335

Gifts

Bulletin and Broadcast is given in thanksgiving for Peggy & Glenn Wilson's 53rd Wedding Anniversary on July 25.

Sponsorships For Bulletins & Broadcasts

Please call the church office, if you would like to sponsor the Bulletin \$60 or the radio Broadcast \$95

Servant Leaders Today

Pastor—Steven Knudson

Pastor—Mary Hovland

Interim Pastor— Al Bjorklund

Director of Worship and

Music—John D. Jahr

Musicians—

8:30 Megan Gilles, Organist

10:00 Peggy Karsten, Guitar,

Mitch Konieczny, Bass

Altar Guild

Julene Bredeson

Michelle Carlson

Lectors

8:30 Ron Anderson

Greeters

8:30 Lee & Ruth Sanders

Ushers

8:30— Norm Hellickson-captain

Lee Sanders, Mark Thompson,

Todd Reinke, Jerry Schliep

10:00— Doug Dodge-captain

Video

Keith Green

Remember in Prayer

The Ill and Hospitalized: Pat Nelson, Jeff Youngquist, Myron Dunlavy, Leann Wadsworth, Tim Manuel, Lavinne Bishop

Please continue to Pray for: Mary Juel

Bereaved: Mike & Kristin Jacobsen following the death of Mike's father, Jerry Jacobsen on July 13.

Those Attending Bible Camp 7/18—7/24: Connor Olson

Baptism: Bella Linnae Berning daughter of TJ & Lisa Berning. Her sponsors are Michael & Amanda Johns, Daniel & Megan Johns, Erik & Casey Dunker.

Grayson Bruce Julius Johns son of Michael & Amanda Johns. His sponsors are Lisa & TJ Berning.

Nole Ryan Julius Johns son of Michael & Amanda Johns. His sponsors are Megan Johns and Sydney Fromm.

Summer Theme: Passionate Spirituality.

Growing Deeper in God's Empowering Grace

It is more common to say: "I am more spiritual than religious." We hunger for deeper connection to God and the purposes and power of God for our lives. We are interested in a life that has spiritual depth and meaning. The Pentecost season focuses on what it means to grow spiritually as followers of Jesus. What Jesus did, what he said, and how people responded to Jesus provide clues for growing deeper in our spiritual walk in God's grace. The Old Testament lessons give background stories and teachings that shed light on the Gospel lesson. The second lessons are taken from letters written by the apostle Paul, where Paul describes both the surprising nature of God's forgiving grace, and what this means for the freedom of the Christian to love and serve God and neighbor.

July 18—**Growing Deeper in Being Open to God**

How is God unexpectedly present in your life?

July 25—**Growing Deeper in Prayer**

How is your prayer life?

August 1—**Growing Deeper in Breaking Attachment to Things**

What keeps you from seeking the things of God?

August 8—**Growing Deeper in Faithful Hope**

What keeps some people faithful, even when bad things happen?

Midweek Renewal: A Service of Prayer Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm

Join us for this serene worship experience, which includes meditative chant and Holy Communion. An ice cream social follows the service.