

## Special Events in May

Sunday, May 16 —8:30 & 10:45am

### **Music Appreciation Sunday**

Special music presentations at both services.

As a way of saying “thank you,” a special brunch will be provided between services for choir members, bell choir members, contemporary group members, and all involved with making music at Vinje. Spouses and families are also invited. *Please RSVP to John by May 10 so we can plan food accordingly.*

Sunday, May 23

### **Celebration Sunday!**

**8:30 & 10:00am (note time change)**

**11:00am—1:00pm Carnival**

**Hog Roast**



**Carnival!**

Sunday, May 30

8:30am Graduate Recognition

10:00am Courtyard Worship

### **Summer worship schedule**

Beginning **Sunday, May 30**

Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend

8:30am—Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

10:00am—Courtyard Praise Worship-weather permitting

### **Congregational Life**

**Spring Flower Sale—May 17-22**

When you buy your outdoor flowers from **Frank's Nursery and Greenhouse** the week of **May 17<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>** 20% will go to

Loving Arms Child Care Center for the development of their outdoor nature classroom. Coupons are available in the May Witness and in the Loving Arms office. **You must bring your coupon with when you make your purchase!**



## Vinje **Connections**

**Bridge**—Mondays @ 12pm Willmar Community Center

**Knitting**—Tuesday, May 11— 2:00pm at Bethel Lutheran.

### **Spiritual Growth Opportunities**

**Men's Bible Study**~Tuesdays—9am, Heritage Room

**Women's Noon Bible Study**~Thursdays, Heritage Rm

### **Saint John's Bible Project**

#### **Coming Events**

All events are open to the community, so please bring a friend!

**Wednesday, May 19 ~ 2:00pm & 7:00pm**

From Inspiration to Illumination: *An Introduction to The Saint John's Bible*

Through video, reproduction and a PowerPoint presentation, participants are guided through the story of *The Saint John's Bible*.

**Wednesday, May 26 ~ 2:00pm & 7:00pm**

Visio Divina

A follow-up to the Introduction to *The Saint John's Bible*. The session will focus on a single Scripture passage and the accompanying illumination from *The Saint John's Bible*.

**Tuesday, June 1, 2010 ~ Depart Willmar at 8:30 AM**

Trip to view The Saint John's Bible with the Dead Sea Scrolls at the St. Paul Science Museum, sponsored by Lake Region Bank. Tickets are \$53 each (\$48 for members of the Good Neighbor Club) and include transportation and admission to the Science Museum. Limited space available. Call 235-5900 to register.

### **In Our Community/Area**

**May is Undie Sunday month**

The United Way of Kandiyohi County is collecting **NEW** undergarments and personal hygiene products for local agencies serving those in need. Help them fill a shortage for those in need. You may drop off your donation through the month of May in the marked box located in the gathering area. Thank you for LIVING UNITED in our community.



### **Meals on Wheels**

Volunteers from Vinje delivered meals to home from April 26 – May 8, three routes each day. Thank you to all those who helped 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.

# 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 ~ John 14:23-29	<i>The sending of the Counselor</i>
Monday ~ John 3:1-8	<i>Born of the Spirit</i>
Tuesday ~ Ezekiel 36:22-31	<i>The Spirit promised to Israel</i>
Wednesday ~ Luke 12:8-12	<i>Jesus speaks of the Spirit</i>
Thursday ~ Acts 1:1-11	<i>Jesus taken up into Heaven</i>
Friday ~ John 13:36 – 14:4	<i>In the Father's house</i>
Saturday ~ Psalm 143	<i>May your Spirit lead me</i>
Sunday ~ John 14:23-29	<i>Jesus prays for the disciples</i>

## Scripture Verses for the Week:

"I give you peace, the kind of peace that only I can give. It isn't like the peace that this world can give. So don't be worried or afraid." - John 14:27 (CEV)

## Devotional Practices:

Take time this week to show appreciation for mothers. If a mother lives in your home, have each household member name three things about her they value or for which they are thankful. Then gather around her and say this prayer together: **Lord God, thank you for (Name). Thank you for the special person she is and for the ways she loves us and cares for us. Please bless her, today and always. Amen.**

If your mother is absent, take time to pray for her or say a prayer of thanks for her role in your life. If possible, phone, email or write to her.

## Prayer for this Week:

Holy Spirit, when I am afraid, give me courage; when I am worried, give me peace; and when I am cold, warm me with your love. **Amen.**

## Free Community Meal — 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at Noon Next meal at Vinje is May 15

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:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at Noon – Harvest Community Church
- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday @ 6 pm – First Baptist Church
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday @ 6pm – First Presbyterian Church
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at Noon – Vinje & Paz Y Esperanza
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday @ 6 pm – Calvary Lutheran Church
- 4<sup>th</sup> 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, May 9—Installation of Pastor Mary Hovland

- 8:30 am Worship (Communion)
- 9:40 am Vinje Village
- 10:45 am Worship (Communion)

## Monday, May 10

- 12:00 pm Bridge
- 6:30 pm Financial Peace Class

## Tuesday, May 11

- 9:00 am Men's Bible Study
- 1:00 pm Parish Care Coordinators
- 2:00 pm Knitting @ Bethel
- 5:30 pm Business Affairs
- 6:00 pm Children's Ministry Board
- 6:15 pm Missions Committee Meeting
- 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

## Wednesday, May 12

- 9:00 am Staff
- 5:45 pm Nova Voices
- 6:15 pm JuBELLation
- 6:30 pm Shalom Singers (9-12th grade)

## Thursday, May 13

- 9:00 am Lutheran World Relief Quilters
- 9:15 am Chapel Time
- 12:00 pm Women's Bible Study
- 6:00 pm Tapestry Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Vikor Meeting
- 7:00 pm VBS Meeting @ Vinje

## Saturday, May 15

- 8th & 9th Grade Retreat
- 12:00 pm Community Meal

## Sunday, May 16—Music Appreciation

- 8th & 9th Grade Retreat
- 8:30 am Worship
- 10:45 am Worship

## **Sunday Attendance Last Week—447**

### Servant Leaders Today

**Pastor**—Steven Knudson

**Pastor**—Mary Hovland

**Interim Pastor**—Al Bjorklund

**Musicians**—John Jahr, Organist

8:30 Vinje Choir

10:45 Little Vinje Village, Worth Saving

**Altar Guild**

Carole Meyer, Carol Schriener

**Communion Servers**

Dave & Laura Becker

**Communion Assistant**

8:30 Val Swanson

10:45 Jean Geselius

**Altar Guild Helpers**

Alex Grove, Austin Grove

**Acolytes**

8:30 Brooke Stier, Waverly Slette

10:45 Shawn Carlson, Tara Carlson

**Prayers**

WNL Youth

**Greeters**

8:30 Clarence & Mary Klenke

10:45 Ron & Jan Stadtherr

**Ushers**

8:30—Jim Andresen, Don &

Phyllis Coleman, Mark Kvam,

Adrian Jimenez, Robert Flegel

10:45—Marlyn Bahl, Rolf Peterson,

Mike Reynolds, Jon Lippert,

Kirk Davis

**Nursery**

8:30 —Carolyn Olson

9:30 —Linda Duering

10:45—Sarah Klaassen

**Video**

Keith Green

# Remember in Prayer

**The Ill and Hospitalized:** Pat Nelson, Jeff Youngquist, Myron Dunlavy, Norm Johnson, Dale Beliveau, Elaine Wright, Lorna Bahl

**Please continue to Pray for:** Leann Wadsworth, Mary Juel

## Gifts

Bulletin is a gift given in honor of Ron & Carlyn Norby's 50th Wedding Anniversary on May 7.

Broadcast is a gift given by an anonymous giver.

Sponsorships For Bulletins & Broadcasts

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

The flowers in the narthex are given in celebration of Ron and Carlyn Nordby's 50th wedding anniversary by their sons Tim, Mark, & Pete and their families.

## Today

### **Special Recognition of 11 Years of Vinje Village Sunday, May 9**

Pastor Steve will lead the congregation through a lively review of the teaching themes of the Vinje Village curriculum with songs, art, stories, and scripture.

### **VOLUNTEERS—Little Vinje Village, Vinje Village, Wednesday Night Live, Mentors YOU HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE**

Today at our worship services, all of the volunteers who have served the education ministries of Vinje will be recognized.

We have made every effort to say "thank you" throughout the year, but this is an opportunity to share with the congregation how significant each person is to the faith nurture and education of the children and youth of Vinje.



### **2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Parent Meeting**

#### **Today at 10:00am in Heritage Room**

We will hand out the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Bibles and discuss this Milestone event to be held in the fall of 2010. If you have any questions or cannot attend please call Linda at 235-1441.