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Sunday, December 31, 2017

Remember in Prayer

Lori Green, Phyllis Wattnem, Annette Thompson, Kathy Hund, Marline Heil, Colleen Foss, Betty Rice, Ted Olson, Karen Wiehr, Penny Hieronimus

Bereaved: Susan & David Anfinson & family following the death of Susan's mother, Gloria Mortenson on December 16

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Mentors Needed

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secretary@vinjechurch.com

Farewell Celebration for Pastor Mary Hovland Sunday, December 31 9:30 am Worship
Join us for Pastor Mary's last Sunday. We will celebrate Pastor Mary's ministry and give thanks to God for the many blessings that we have received through her presence with us. Following worship there will be a card shower and brunch in the fellowship hall. During this time there will also be a chance for us to share stories of Pastor Mary's impact on our lives and wish her the best in her retirement.

2017 Donations
2017 offerings need to be brought to the church, postmarked or make a donation online until Dec. 31. The IRS requires individuals that are age 70 1/2 or older and have an IRA, an inactive SEP or Simple IRA to make a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) which is taxable. However, a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to the church satisfies this requirement and reduces the taxable income. This QCD must be paid directly to the church from the IRA account. The result is the church receives the contribution and the parishioner doesn't have to pay tax on the distribution.



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Reaching Deeper... 

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- 10:30 am Farewell Card Shower & Brunch for Pastor Mary

Monday, January 1—New Year's Day

Church Office & Loving Arms Closed

Tuesday, January 2

- 9:00 am Men's Bible Study
- 10:30 am Pastors Text Study—Room 102
- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting
- 2:00 pm Naomi & Sarah Circle—Room 102

Wednesday, January 3

- 3:30 pm Grace Notes
- 5:00 pm Meal
- 5:00 pm JuBellation Junior
- 5:25 pm Nova Voices
- 5:30 pm Colaborative Confirmation @ Vinje
- 6:00 pm Shalom Singers
- 6:00 pm Worship in Room 102
- 6:45 pm High School Youth Meeting—Room 208

Thursday, January 4

- 9:15 am Loving Arms Chapel Time
- 9:30 am Esther Circle
- 4:30 pm Outreach Committee Meeting
- 5:30 pm Creation Care Team
- 5:30 pm Tapestry Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm GA Group

Sunday, January 7

- 8:30 am Faith Formation Sunday School—Pre-K drop off & pick up room 302; K-5 drop off & Pick up room 102
- 9:30 am Worship

(Holy Communion is celebrated at every worship service.)



Transportation to Sunday Worship—Transportation is available to the 9:30am Worship Service and is available, inside city limits and to Copperleaf. If you would like to ride the bus, please call the church office 235-1441.

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