



# Vinje Ministry Guide

## Welcome!

**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.

**Vinje Lutheran Church**  
**1101 Willmar Avenue SW**  
**Willmar MN 56201**  
**320-235-1441**

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## Sunday Worship Schedule

- 8:30 am Festival Worship with Choirs**  
Worship PLUS- (Positive Learning & Understanding of the Sermon)...Children 4 years old through 2nd grade will hear the gospel message from a pastor or staff person in KVLC Studio during the sermon time.
- 9:40 am Education Hour**  
Vinje Village (grades 1-6) Meet in Choir Room for Gathering Time then dismiss to classrooms  
Little Vinje Village (ages 3-kindergarten Meet in Room 1 for Gathering Time then dismiss to classrooms
- 10:45 am Contemporary Worship led by Worship Teams**  
Worship PLUS

Sunday Nursery Care is available 8:15-Noon In the Loving Arms Nursery- Room 7  
Volunteers are needed to provide this service. Please call to volunteer—contact the church office

Partners in Ministry	
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	<b>Website – <a href="http://www.vinjchurch.com">www.vinjchurch.com</a></b>



## Loving Arms Child Care Center and Preschool

Questions?

Contact Nancy or Beckie 235-7271  
[lovingarms@vinjchurch.com](mailto:lovingarms@vinjchurch.com)

Loving Arms Child Care Center is a year-round early childhood ministry. The Loving Arms staff provides a loving, safe, and stimulating environment for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers in a Christian setting. We believe that the major developmental task of a young child is to gain trust in those who care for him/her and to develop the knowledge that he/she can affect the surrounding world. Loving Arms is nationally accredited through the Evangelical Lutheran Education Association.

What can we offer your child?

- \*Developmentally appropriate curriculum
- \*Trained early childhood professionals
- \*Small class sizes with low staff: child ratios
- \*Nutritious meals
- \*Christian learning opportunities
- \*Full-Time and Part-Time schedules available

OPENINGS AVAILABLE FOR COMING SCHOOL YEAR!

## Church Nursery News

Questions?

Contact Jeri Mathison at 231-1431 or  
Nancy Hafner 235-7271  
[nhafner@vinjchurch.com](mailto:nhafner@vinjchurch.com)

“Passing the Love Along from Generation to Generation”

Did you know??? A well run nursery will:

- \*show that God is present, working through people who come and care for children.
- \*promote Spiritual growth because one is served by serving.
- \*help little ones to experience church as a safe, fun place.
- \*enable parents to plug-in to worship, enrichment activities and ministry opportunities.
- \*encourage visiting families to become members.

Vinje's vitality depends on a well run nursery which depends on a large group of dedicated, loving volunteers. We are looking for a variety of helpers- young, older and in-between! Please prayerfully consider being Jesus' hands and feet by serving with love in the nursery.

Contact Jeri Mathison at 231-1431 or Nancy Hafner at 235-1441 for more information and to volunteer!

## Preschool

Questions?

Contact Nancy Hafner 235-7271  
[nhafner@vinjchurch.com](mailto:nhafner@vinjchurch.com)

**WRainbow Connection** is a welcome celebration for 3-year-olds just beginning Little Vinje Village and their parents. Join us Saturday, September 11, 10:00 am! 3 year olds will be receiving the new SPARK story Bible during Rally Sunday worship services on Sunday, September 12.

**Joy School** is a special opportunity for 1-3 year olds (not yet old enough for Little Vinje Village) one Sunday each month. This is a time for children and parents to share a Bible story experience together during Education Hour. Joy School meets in the Loving Arms Nursery. Begins Sunday, September 19th at 10:00 am.

## Little Vinje Village Grades Preschool-Kindergarten



Rainbows – 3 year olds (entering Kindergarten in 2 years)  
Butterflies – 4 year olds (entering Kindergarten in one year)  
Fish – Children entering Kindergarten Fall 2010

During their time in Little Vinje Village, children will ....learn the stories of the Bible.  
....make new friends.  
....know the grace and love of Jesus.

Children will participate in two workshops each week that follow a rotating schedule.

Weekly workshops include:

Sarah's Story Tent – a place to experience Bible stories through drama, puppets and creative storytelling.  
Creation Room – Arts and crafts where messy creativity is valued and expected.  
Jacob's Ladder – Active and fun games to reinforce the Bible story and learn cooperation with others.  
Library Visits – Volunteer storytellers read books related to the Bible story.  
Children are invited and encouraged to check out puppets, movies, or books.

Advent Children's Worship Festival Sunday, Dec. 12th at 10:45am —Rehearsal Saturday, Dec. 11th at 9:00am

## Vinje Village Grades 1-5

Questions?

Contact Kari Michelson at 235-1441  
[kmichelson@vinjchurch.com](mailto:kmichelson@vinjchurch.com)

Vinje Village is a Sunday morning church school beginning Sunday, September 12 at 9:40. Children in grades 1-5 learn Bible stories on a six week rotation, each week experiencing the story in a different workshop. The workshops will include:

The Church Mouse A computer lab using CD Rom Bible software & games

Faith Matters Lab A scientific experience of God's creative power

Father Abraham's Arcade Relationships with Faith Friends and memorization skills are strengthened as we explore the Bible stories.

Vinje Village Theatre A place to live the Bible stories through movies

Studio KVLC Bible stories come alive through drama, music, movement and puppets.

How Great Thou Art Art studio where messy creativity is valued and sacred symbols are discovered.

Spirit Quest Travel through Bible time with creative storytelling.

Solid Rock Café Eat your way through the Bible stories!

**W**Lord's Prayer Milestone Event—Parents, Kindergarteners and 1st grade students meet next March to begin learning the Lord's Prayer through stories and sharing. Students will make a prayer mat to take home. Children will be recognized at 8:30am worship on March 13.

## Grades K-2

Little Saints Choir—Meets Wednesdays after school. Transportation will be provided. Speak with John Jahr if you would like to be a part of this group!

Advent Children's Worship Festival Sunday, Dec. 12th at 10:45 am —Rehearsal Saturday, Dec. 11 at 9:00am

## Grades 3-5

Questions?

Contact Kari Michelson 235-1441  
[kmichelson@vinjechurch.com](mailto:kmichelson@vinjechurch.com)

WoW (Wonderful Wednesdays) - After school group led by Kari Michelson and Laura Anderson. Bus transportation available from Willmar schools. Begins September 15th!

Joyful Kids Choir – Meets with John Jahr on Wednesdays from 4:00-4:45 pm (after WoW)

**W**Bibles for 3rd Graders— Learning event for parents & children on Saturday, September 25 at 8:30am  
Presentation of Bibles on Sunday, September 26 at 8:30am worship service.

Advent Children's Worship Festival—Sunday, December 12, 10:45am—Rehearsal Saturday, Dec 11, 9:00 am

**W**Apostle's Creed Milestone for 4th Graders—Learn about the Apostle's Creed and Luther's Catechism on Sunday, January 16, 23, and 30. Presentation of Catechism will be Sunday, January 30 at 10:45am worship.

**W**First Communion — Maundy Thursday, April 21st at 7:00pm. First Communion Instruction with parents will be held on Wednesday March 23, April 6 and 13 at 6:45pm following the Lenten services.

## Grade 6

Questions?

Contact Laura Anderson 235-1441  
[youth@vinjechurch.com](mailto:youth@vinjechurch.com)

Confirmation Orientation and Potluck—Sunday, August 22 at 6:00pm

WNL (Wednesday Night Live) & Hangtime - Wednesdays beginning September 15th, 5pm-8:30pm

**WNL** is a time for worship, sharing, and learning for all youth before and after Confirmation! **Hangtime** is the social element of Wednesday nights- Food, Fun, and Friends!

Nova Voices Choir Wednesdays from 5:25-6:05pm

Lenten Faith Mentoring- 6th graders continue the transition into the confirmation program by joining with their parents who will be serving as their mentors during the Lenten season.

6th-7th Grade Retreat Saturday, September 18, meet at the church at 10am  
Confirmands will head out to Prairie Woods Environmental Learning Center and end the day at Vinje.  
This retreat is designed as not only a team-building experience but also an opportunity for the youth to ask questions about Confirmation and getting started on some important tasks!

## Grades 7-9

Confirmation Orientation and Potluck Sunday, August 22, 6:00pm  
Confirmands will gather with their parents for a potluck meal and orientation discussion.

Breakfast Club Sundays at 9:30am, Youth Room  
A laid back atmosphere and time for youth to enjoy the company of others without obligation. Middle School and Senior High groups will meet separately. Each week has a different focus. Come and see!

Youth Board 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00pm  
All youth in 7-12 grades who are interested in making decisions that impact everyone!

Shalom Singers (9th-12th Grade) Wednesdays, 6:10pm, starting September 15

## Grades 7-9 continued

**W**7th Grade Bible Milestone Presentation of Bibles on Sunday,  
September 19 at 10:45 worship service

WNL (Wednesday Night Live) & Hangtime Wednesdays starting Sept. 15th, 5pm-9pm

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8th Grade Retreat

Spring 2011, TBA

Youth will have the opportunity to think outside the box and outside their comfort zone.

9th Grade Retreat

Spring 2011, TBA

A chance to let go and relax! A retreat designed to focus on the importance of being "Joyful Christians"!

## 10th Grade Confirmation

Questions?

Contact Laura Anderson—235-1441

Email: [youth@vinjehurch.com](mailto:youth@vinjehurch.com)

[www.vinje youth.org](http://www.vinje youth.org)

Orientation for Confirmation Sunday

Sunday, August 29, 7pm

Parents and Confirmands attend this orientation to prepare for the next step in Vinje's Confirmation program. Receive more information regarding Confirmation Sunday, and events leading up to this celebration. Confirmands will also set appointments to meet with either a pastor or Laura Anderson to complete their confirmation interviews.

Faith Statement Preparation Classes

Wednesdays, Sept. 22, 29; October 6

This class is designed to better equip the youth in preparing their statements of faith. Confirmands are asked to attend ALL THREE classes.

Confirmation Retreat

October 21-22, 2010

At Shores of St. Andrew. Confirmands will spend the duration of this retreat exploring and identifying their beliefs and will write their personal Faith Statements.

Confirmation Interviews Confirmands set individual appointments with Laura Anderson or a pastor during September and October. These interviews are simply conversations to touch base with the youth on their journey to Confirmation.

Share Faith Statements with Parents

Sunday, October 24, 4:00pm

The evening will start with a potluck dinner. After a time of fellowship the Confirmands will share their faith statements with their parents in a private setting. The evening concludes with a Service of Baptism Remembrance for youth and parents. Parent Choir will also practice that evening.

Confirmation Rehearsal & Pictures

Wednesday, October 27 from 4:00-5:45pm

Confirmands will gather after school to receive instructions for Sunday's service and to complete a walk through of the service. A group picture will be taken by Pederson Photography. Individual pictures will also be taken at this time.

**W**Confirmation Sunday

Sunday, October 31, 10:45 am

Confirmands will affirm their baptism by professing their faith in worship.



## Grades 10-12



Questions?

Contact Laura Anderson—235-1441

Email: [youth@vinjchurch.com](mailto:youth@vinjchurch.com)

[www.vinjeyouth.org](http://www.vinjeyouth.org)

Shalom Singers  
Grades 9-12 directed by Su Michelson, assisted by Travis Michelson. Rehearsals are held in the Choir Room. Wednesdays, 6:10pm, starting September 15

Breakfast Club  
A relaxing time for youth to enjoy the company of others without obligation. Middle School and Senior High groups meet separately. Sundays, 9:30am, Youth Room

Youth Board  
All youth in 7-12 grades who are interested in making decisions that impact ALL! 3rd Monday of each month at 7pm

High School Graduation Recognition  
A time of celebration and recognition for all graduating seniors and their families. Sunday, May 29, 8:30am worship

## Music Opportunities

Questions?

Contact John Jahr—235-1441

Email: [jjahr@vinjchurch.com](mailto:jjahr@vinjchurch.com)

Vinje Choir  
For post-high school singers. Rehearsals are held in the Choir Room. Wednesdays, 7:00 to 8:30pm, starting September 1

Tapestry  
Vinje's long-standing contemporary choir also shares music from around the world. Look for their participation periodically during special events and celebrations. Rehearsals are on alternating Thursday evenings at 5:45pm

JuBELLation  
Adult handbell Choir directed by John Jahr. Ringers needed! Wednesdays, 5:45 – 6:45pm, starting September 15

Worship Leading Teams  
These groups lead congregational singing for our 10:45 contemporary service. Rehearsal schedules are determined by each group

Requiem Choir  
Choir prepares prior to the funeral and enhances the congregation's song; choir may also provide an anthem during the service.

Shalom Singers  
Grades 9-12 directed by Su Michelson, assisted by Travis Michelson. Rehearsals are held in the Choir Room. Wednesdays, 6:10pm, starting September 15

Nova Voices  
Grades 6, 7 & 8 directed by Su Michelson, assisted by Travis Michelson. Rehearsals are held in the Choir Room. Wednesdays, 5:25 – 6:05pm, starting September 15

Joyful Kids Choir  
Grades 3-5 directed by John Jahr. Transportation available from Willmar schools for WoW and Joyful Kids Choir! Call John to be added to the pickup list. Wednesdays at 4:00pm, starting September 15

Little Saints Choir  
Kindergarten through Grade 2 directed by Mary Hodapp. Parents sign up to provide snacks and help during rehearsal approximately two times per year. Transportation available from Willmar schools for Little Saints Choir! Call John to work out the details. Wednesdays 3:30-4:15pm, starting September 15

## Upcoming Music Events~ Invite your friends!



Questions?  
Contact John Jahr—235-1441  
Email: [jjahr@vinjehurch.com](mailto:jjahr@vinjehurch.com)

Vinje Music Kick Off Event  
Catered meal at Vinje, with program and entertainment  
\$10 Per person – registration due Sunday, August 22nd

Wednesday, August 25, 5:30pm

Who should attend? Past, present and future members of Common Threads, JuBELLation, Requiem Choir, Worth Saving, Tapestry, Vinje Choir and their spouses or significant others, and anyone else who would like to be involved in the music ministries of Vinje! Please plan to attend, and bring a friend!

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 3, 4:00pm

Bring your beloved pets to this service, held in the worship courtyard, weather permitting. In case of bad weather, an alternate date will be announced. Our household companions bring us joy and comfort—this is an opportunity for them to receive a blessing.

Prayers for Healing

Sunday, November 7, 4:00pm

All Saints Sunday is the perfect occasion to come together for a time a personal reflection and prayers for healing of body, mind and spirit.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Wednesday, November 24, 7:00pm

Please come at 6:30 to enjoy a special extended prelude provided by Vinje youth. Potluck pie fellowship following.

Blue Christmas Worship

Sunday, December 12, 4:00pm

This more “serene” celebration of the birth of Christ will include Prayers for Healing.

Service of Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 19, 4:00pm

Please come at 3:30 PM to enjoy a special prelude provided by Vinje youth. Christmas fellowship following.

Family Reunion Sunday

Sunday, December 26, combined service at 9:30am

Music is provided by our returning college students.

Epiphany Celebration

Sunday, January 2, combined service at 9:30am

Join us for another chance to worship together to celebrate the Light of Christ that came to the world in the person of Jesus.

Joyful Kids Musical

Sunday, May 8, 8:30 and 10:45am

Music Appreciation Sunday

Sunday, May 15, 8:30 and 10:45am

### How Can I Get Involved? Here are just a few ways:

- \*\*Provide special music (vocal, instrumental, duet, small group) for worship
  - \*\*Play a musical instrument during a choir anthem or hymn
  - \*\*Join an instrumental ensemble for special services (Reformation, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter,)
  - \*\*Join the Vinje Choir for a “season”
  - \*\*Become a “Summer Praise” song leader for summertime courtyard worship
  - \*\*Assist during the Midweek Lenten services
- Please visit with John Jahr if you have interest in any of the above activities or if you have an idea for a program you might like to see offered at Vinje.



# Things to do at Vinje!

Watch the: Witness newsletter  
 weekly worship bulletins  
[www.vinjchurch.com](http://www.vinjchurch.com)  
 for more information regarding these events!

**Meals to Go! Freezer Fillin' Fellowship** - Spend one Saturday morning each month making several meals in bulk rather than spending time every night to prepare a home-cooked meal for your family. Call Jean Geselius at 214-0460 or Jen Hovland at 235-8949 for more details.

**Bridge** Mondays at Noon  
 Join us at the Community Center (formerly the Senior Center)! Contact Lorna Bahl at 235-8614 for details.

**Men's Bible Study** Tuesdays at 9am beginning September  
 This is an informal gathering is open to men who are curious about God and spiritual matters. Our time together includes donuts, a fair bit of laughter, and a chance to learn more about the Bible. We meet every Tuesday morning in the Heritage Room begins with donuts and closes with prayer for whatever concerns are brought to the table. You are invited to just show up Tuesday mornings at 9am in the Vinje Heritage Room.

**Women's Bible Study** Thursdays at Noon beginning September  
 This group meets weekly. The topic for study this fall has not been determined yet. Please call Cheryl Schmidt at 231-0027 or Michele Vogel at 214-0118 for more information

**Fall Family Festival** Time TBA  
 All are welcome for an afternoon of fun and fellowship which includes– hayrides, games and prizes, bobbing for apples, building scarecrows, face painting, a brat feed and more! For details or to volunteer to help call Nancy Hafner at 235-1441.

**"Journey to Bethlehem"** Sunday, December 5, 4-5:30pm  
 Experience the true meaning of Christmas as you walk through our interactive living nativity story. On your journey to discover the baby Jesus in the stable you will meet and talk with shepherds, angels and Wisemen. For details or to volunteer to help call Nancy Hafner at 235-1441.

**Vacation Bible School** Summer 2011  
 Stay tuned for more information about this fun-filled event!

**Time Traveler's Tuesdays**—An adult ministry opportunity  
 Jesus said, "Go make disciples of all nations." With the power of the Holy Spirit we are sent to the ends of the earth to build relationships and to serve in Jesus' name. Come join us for fun travels to the ends of the world which begins by traveling to Green Lake Bible Camp for a retreat day. Travel days are planned as well as travelogs which will take us to Hong Kong, South Africa, Jordan, Oman and beyond. Watch the Vinje Witness for times and places

**Community Meals** Vinje hosts on the 3rd Saturday of the month  
 The Community Meal is an effort to bring people together in the Willmar community through food and fellowship. These events are free for everyone. All ages are welcome.

<b>1st Saturday @ Noon</b> Harvest Community Church 905 SW Litchfield Avenue 320-235-2106	<b>2nd Sunday @ 6 p.m.</b> First Presbyterian Church 605 Litchfield Ave. SW 320-235-1263	<b>3rd Sunday @ 6 p.m.</b> Calvary Lutheran Church 302 Olena Ave SE 320-235-2508	<b>4th Wed. @ 6p.m.</b> First Covenant Church 801 Willmar Avenue SW 320-235-3010
<b>1st Sunday @ 6 p.m.</b> First Baptist Church 1000 SE 6th St 320-235-2326	<b>3rd Saturday @ Noon</b> Vinje Lutheran Church 1101 Willmar Ave SW 320-235-1441	<b>4th Sunday @ 6 p.m.</b> United Methodist Church 19th Ave and 9th St SW 320-235-5403	<b>5th Sunday @6 p.m.</b> Bethel Lutheran Church 411 Becker Avenue SW 320-235-5450

# STUDENT 'MASTER' REGISTRATION

## 2010-2011 School Year

We are looking forward to another exciting year of activities in our newly remodeled building as we plan for Education, Music and Fellowship programs for the school year! We hope this "one-time" registration process will be easier for families and give us current contact information for your family. Thank you for taking the time to complete one form for each child in your family, ages 3 through grade 6.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

School Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Baptism Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ My child has not been baptized yet \_\_\_\_

Child resides with: both parents mother father guardian (circle)

**Parent Information:** (you may attach all forms and provide this information only once)

Father's (Guardian) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of communication: Email or Post Mail Home or Cell Phone (circle)

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred methods of communication: Email or Post Mail Home or Cell Phone (circle)

### Emergency Contact (other than parent)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

In the event of an emergency, where medical treatment is required, I give my permission to the church staff or an adult supervisor to obtain the services of a licensed physician for my child. Please attempt to notify me immediately concerning such an emergency.

I give permission for my child's picture to be used in marketing publications, including the Vinje Website, brochures, posters.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything our staff and volunteers should know about your child? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all Allergies \_\_\_\_\_ My child carries an Epi-pen \_\_\_\_\_

Other important health issues \_\_\_\_\_

Please register my child for the following programs and activities: (Circle any that apply)

Little Vinje Village	(ages 3-Kdg)	Joyful Kids Choir	(grades 3-6)
Vinje Village	(grades 1-6)	WOW Wednesdays	(grades 3-5)
Little Saints Choir	(grades K-2)	NOVA choir	(grades 6-8)

Please return to church office: Vinje Lutheran Church, 1101 Willmar Ave SW, Willmar MN 56201

# SAVE THE DATES!

<b>Sunday, August 22, 6:00pm</b> Confirmation Sunday Orientation	p 4	<b>Sunday, December 12, 10:45am</b> Children's Advent Worship Festival	p 3
<b>Wednesday, August 25, 5:30pm</b> Music Kick-off event	p 7	<b>Sunday, December 12, 4pm</b> Blue Christmas Worship and Prayers for Healing	p 7
<b>Sunday, September 12</b> Rally Sunday, return to 8:30 and 10:45 worship times Blessing of the Backpacks Milestones	p 3	<b>Sunday, December 19</b> Lessons and Carols 3:30pm- Prelude / 4pm- Worship	p 7
<b>Wednesday, September 15, after school</b> Wonderful Wednesdays (WoW) begins	p 4	<b>Friday, December 24, 4:30pm and 10:30pm</b> Festive Christmas Eve worship	
<b>Sunday, September 19, 10:45 am</b> 7th Grade Bible Event	p 5	<b>Sunday, December 26, 9:30am</b> Family Reunion Sunday	p 7
<b>Sunday, September 19, 10am</b> Joy School begins	p 2	<b>Sunday, January 2, combined service at 9:30am</b> Epiphany Celebration	p 7
<b>Sunday, September 26, 8:30am</b> 3rd grade Bible milestone	p 7	<b>Sunday, January 30, 12:30pm</b> Annual Meeting	
<b>Sunday, October 3, 4:00pm</b> Blessing of the Animals	p 7	<b>Wednesday, March 9, Noon and 6pm</b> Ash Wednesday worship	
<b>Thursday &amp; Friday, October 21 &amp; 22</b> 10th grade Confirmation Retreat	p 5	<b>Thursday, April 21,</b> Maundy Thursday Worship at 2:00 and 7:00pm First Communion Milestone—7:00pm	p 7
<b>Sunday, October 24, 4:00pm</b> Confirmand's Faith Statement Reading	p 5	<b>Friday, April 22</b> Good Friday Worship at 7:00pm	
<b>Wednesday, October 27, 4:00pm</b> Confirmiton Rehearsal	p 5	<b>Sunday, April 24,</b> Easter Sunday 7am / 8:30am / 10:45am Worship Easter Breakfast begins at 7:30am	
<b>Sunday, October 31</b> Reformation Sunday- 10:45am Confirmation	p 5	<b>Sunday, May 8</b> Joyful Kids Musical	p 7
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I'd like to be a part of...

Volunteering is a wonderful way to be the hands and feet of Christ in our congregation and community!

Thank you!

Please fill out & return this form to the church office.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

YES! I'd love to be involved with the following program (please check all that apply):

**Education Ministries**

\_\_\_\_\_ Vinje Village Workshop Leader

(6 week sessions)

\_\_\_\_\_ Vinje Village Shepherd

(9 month commitment)

**Little Vinje Village**

\_\_\_\_\_ Workshop Leader (10 week sessions)

\_\_\_\_\_ Co-Shepherd (9 month commitment)

\_\_\_\_\_ Library Story Reader (once/month)

\_\_\_\_\_ Joy School Leader (once/month)

\_\_\_\_\_ Sunday Morning Nursery Volunteer

\_\_\_\_\_ 8:30 Worship

\_\_\_\_\_ 9:40 Education Hour

\_\_\_\_\_ 10:45 Worship

\_\_\_\_\_ Confirmation Small Group Guide

(Circle preferred grade: 6, 7, 8, 9)

\_\_\_\_\_ Confirmation Mentor

(Circle preferred grade: 6, 7, 8, 9)

\_\_\_\_\_ Wonderful Wednesdays (WoW) Guide

3rd-5th grade program! 2:45-4:30 Wednesday afternoons during school year

\_\_\_\_\_ Worship PLUS Leader – Sunday mornings

\_\_\_\_\_ 8:30am Worship

\_\_\_\_\_ 10:45am Worship

\_\_\_\_\_ Vacation Bible School Volunteers

\_\_\_\_\_ Children's Ministry Board Member

(2 yr. term)

**Social Ministries**

\_\_\_\_\_ Meals to Go

\_\_\_\_\_ Community Meals

\_\_\_\_\_ Church Office Volunteers

**Kitchen Helpers**

\_\_\_\_\_ Blessed Bakers

\_\_\_\_\_ Dishwashers (for funeral lunches at Vinje)

\_\_\_\_\_ Lutefisk Dinner

**Worship**

\_\_\_\_\_ Assisting Minister

\_\_\_\_\_ Lector

\_\_\_\_\_ Video Projection Team

\_\_\_\_\_ Sound Board Operator

\_\_\_\_\_ Worship Team Member

\_\_\_\_\_ Van Drivers

\_\_\_\_\_ Usher

\_\_\_\_\_ Greeter



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