



FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO SAVE THEIR LIFE WILL LOSE IT,
AND THOSE WHO LOSE THEIR LIFE FOR MY SAKE,
AND FOR THE SAKE OF THE GOSPEL,
WILL SAVE IT.
MARK: 8:35

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020 | EPIPHANY | 9:30 AM

GATHERING

Welcome

* Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. Amen. Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters, and by your Word you created the world.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family,

Through the sea you led your people from slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized and anointed with the Holy Spirit. On the mountaintop you claimed Jesus as your Beloved Son.

By water and your Word you claim us all as daughters and sons, making all of us new, and sending us out to be servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

Show us with your Spirit, and make us new.

Hear God's promise that in the waters of baptism, you have been given forgiveness, grace, and life.

This is our promise, forever and ever.

Amen.

* Gathering Song

Lord Most High

* Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

* Prayer of the Day

Lord of light, as you were transfigured on the mountain, your followers were given a glimpse of your glory. Shine your light in our lives, so that we know the promise that we are your beloved children. Then, call us to take up our own crosses and follow you. All this we pray, in Jesus' name.

Amen.

***please stand**

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE.

Welcome to Worship at Vinje Lutheran Church! There are cards in the pews available for prayer requests, visitor information, or creative doodling during worship.

Hearing devices are available at the sound booth at the back of the sanctuary. Ask an usher for assistance.

A note to parents of young children: Relax! We are glad to have you and your children with us. Children are always welcome in worship! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress those wiggles in our worship. We realize there are times that children need a break, and you may need a distraction or two for your child. For that reason there are activity bags outside of each sanctuary entrance. Also, the service is broadcast in the library if you'd like to worship along with us from there! Again, know that we are grateful you and your children are here, just as you are!

SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

Altar Care

Rosie Ericson and Jerry Baker

Assisting Minister

Paul Tinklenberg

Lector

Lisa Weiss

Communion Servers

Craig and Lori Schellberg

Communion Assistant

Lisa Weiss

Musicians

Nova Voices,
Shalom Singers

Greeters

Rosie Ericson and Jerry Baker

Ushers

Jon Soderholm,
Blake Jeffords, Chris Jeffords,
Todd Iverson

Welcome Desk

Karen Rosseau

Video

Paul Nordin,
Suzanne Napgezok

Slides Created by

Marie Ostby



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God's work. Our hands.



WiFi Available
access as Vinje Guest

WORD

Scripture Reading

Psalm 27:1-4

Bible pg. 437

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Sacrament of Holy Baptism Drew Catherine Miller

Hymnal pg. 227

Apostles' Creed

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the family of God: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and in sharing God's gifts of love, forgiveness, and new life with all the world.

Scripture Acclamation

Alleluia

Hymnal pg. 102



Repeat alleluia



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

Scripture Reading

Mark 8:27-9:8

Bible pg. 789

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

Message

* Song of the Day

Let It Rise

* Prayers

* Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

Offering

Offertory Anthem

Bow the Knee

* Offertory

Let the Vineyards be Fruitful

Hymnal #184

* Offering Prayer

* Words of Institution

*** Lord's Prayer**

Hymnal pg. 134

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.

Lamb of God

Hymnal #112

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

- Song **Here is Bread, Here is Wine**
- Song **In Christ Alone**
- Song **Spirit Song**

Table Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Lord Jesus, at this table you have fed us with your love. Send us out to feed others with your words of love, and with our actions of justice, peace, and life. In Jesus' name.
Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

*** Benediction**

You have heard the blessing of Jesus today, that you are God's beloved daughters and sons. Now hear Jesus' calling for you: "Take up your cross and follow me."

Go and follow Christ to meet the needs of the world,

Go and follow Christ to speak words of truth and justice and hope.

Go and follow Christ, whatever the cost, knowing that as you give your life away in + Jesus' name, you will find the life that is truly life.

Amen.

*** Sending Song**

Today is the Day

*** Dismissal**

Go in peace. Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION

At Vinje, we believe all people are welcome at the Lord's Table regardless of any circumstance.

White grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available (please request from the server).

WORDS TO LIVE BY

"God creates out of nothing. Wonderful, you say. Yes, to be sure, but God does what is still more wonderful; God makes saints out of sinners."
Soren Kierkegaard

VINJE STAFF

Pastors

Justin Ask
Dane Skilbred

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Ministry Associate

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Karen Wojahn

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Sara Bos

Custodian

Ron Nordby

Loving Arms Child Care Center

Chris Stark, Director

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Please call the church office if you would like to sponsor the Bulletin (\$60) the Radio Broadcast (\$95) or the Sunday Bus (\$62). Or sponsor all three for \$200.

The following upcoming dates are available:

Bulletin: 3/1, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5
Broadcast: 3/1, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5
Bus: 3/1, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5

THANK YOU

This week's bulletin is sponsored in celebration on Ray Groff's birthday today by his wife, Nancy.

This week's broadcast is sponsored in honor of Joan Hinderaker's birthday on February 24th.

This week's bus is sponsored by Carol Schriener.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Chad Olson, Lillian Fossum, Philip Bahl, Janet White,
Mary Nelson, Molly Mead

BAPTIZED TODAY

Drew Catherine Miller, daughter of Kit and Lora Miller. His sponsors are Alex Doering and Breau Miller.

EQUIPPING CONGREGATIONS DAY

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29 | 8:30 AM-3:30 PM | VINJE & BETHEL

Fantastic learning opportunities right here in Willmar. Choose from workshops such as "The Rules of Improv Comedy for Everyday Ministry," "Farm and Rural Stress: Origins and Ways to Help," and many more! There is no cost for Vinje members to attend this event. Also, we could use your help hosting the event. Sign up (to host or attend) in the church office.

FIRST COMMUNION RETREATS

MARCH 13-14 | GREEN LAKE BIBLE CAMP

This is an opportunity for anyone who was unable to attend our fall First Communion classes. As always, there are no requirements for a person to be worthy to receive communion, but this is a chance for your child to learn more about Holy Communion and have fun with friends at the same time! And, a bonus is that Pastor Dane is helping teach at the retreat! Cost is \$85. Scholarships are available upon request. Registration forms are available in the church office.

WEEKLY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

EVERY WEDNESDAY | 9 AM | VINJE

We have begun a new weekly women's bible study featuring the coming Sunday's scripture. This bible study is in addition to the women's circles, it does not replace them in any way. We hope to see you there! Questions? Ask a pastor!



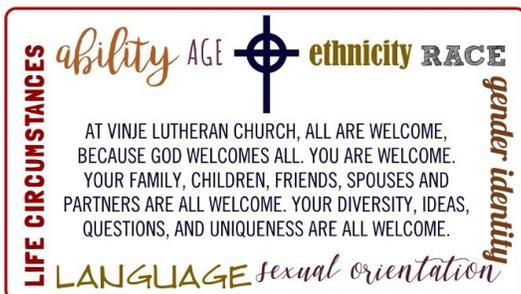
LOVING ARMS SUMMER CARE FOR SCHOOL AGE KIDS

Loving Arms will once again be offering a fun and age-appropriate care option for kindergarten through fifth grade children for summer 2020!

There will be an off site "main event" activity each afternoon

pool days, parks, field trips, and more!

Please contact Chris (235.7271) for more information or to reserve a spot for your child(ren)!



HAVE LITTLE ONES THAT NEED A BREAK?

We have a live broadcast of the service running in the library as well as in the entryway each Sunday. Your little ones are always welcome in worship with us, however, if you'd like to step out with them for a few minutes, know that these options are available for you.

THIS WEEK AT VINJE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

8:30 AM VINJE CHOIR REHEARSAL
8:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:30 AM WORSHIP

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

9:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
9:15 AM LOVING ARMS CHAPEL TIME
1:00 PM STAFF MEETING
4:00 PM OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

9:00 AM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
10:00 AM ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP-BETHEL
3:30 PM GRACE NOTES
5:00 PM MEAL
5:00 PM JUBELLATION JR.
5:25 PM NOVA VOICES
6:00 PM ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP
6:45 PM CONFIRMATION MENTORING
6:45 PM JUBELLATION
6:45 PM SHALOM SINGERS
7:00 PM HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

4:00 PM RIDGEWATER EARLY CHILDHOOD CLASS
7:00 PM WEST CENTRAL SINGERS

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