



SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020 | LENT | 9:30 AM

GATHERING

Gathering Hymn

Gather Us In

Hymnal #532

Welcome

Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness

Merciful God, forgive us, for we have fallen short of your vision for us.

We have not loved you with our whole heart, soul, mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We have valued possessions over people. We have chosen wealth over what's right.

We have put ourselves before others, we have ignored the vulnerable, and we have forgotten you altogether.

Have mercy on us, for Jesus' sake. Set us free from the ways we hurt one another and you.

Turn us again to you and your promises. Turn us outward toward our sisters and brothers, that we may give all that we have in serving you.

*Hear the good news: Jesus sees you for who you really are and loves you. Your sins are forgiven, your life is made new. Today, you are given a brand new start to be the person God made you to be. In the name of Jesus Christ,
Amen.*

Hymn

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Hymnal #807

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

Gracious God, Your son was not always received with respect and acceptance. Reveal to us the places where we still resist the truth of his teaching today, that our hearts and lives might truly be transformed, for Jesus' sake.

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

Video Scott Hovland, Justin Bos
Slides Created by Marie Ostby

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Preaching

Pastor David Severtson

Children's Message

Pastor Dane Skilbred

Lector

Pastor Naomi Mahler

Organist

Karen Wojahn



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.



WiFi Available
access as Vinje Guest

WORD

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 55:1-3a

Bible pg. 598

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:25-34

Bible pg. 787

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Jesus Loves Me

Hymnal # 595

Children's Message

Scripture Acclamation

Let Your Steadfast Love

Hymnal pg. 103

Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.
Save us as you prom-ised; we will trust your word.

Scripture Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

Bible pg. 56

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Message

Hymn of the Day

Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land

Hymnal #333

Apostles' Creed

Hymnal pg. 105

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

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.

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.

Prayers

Hear Our Prayer

Hymnal #178

Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:
peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.
God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

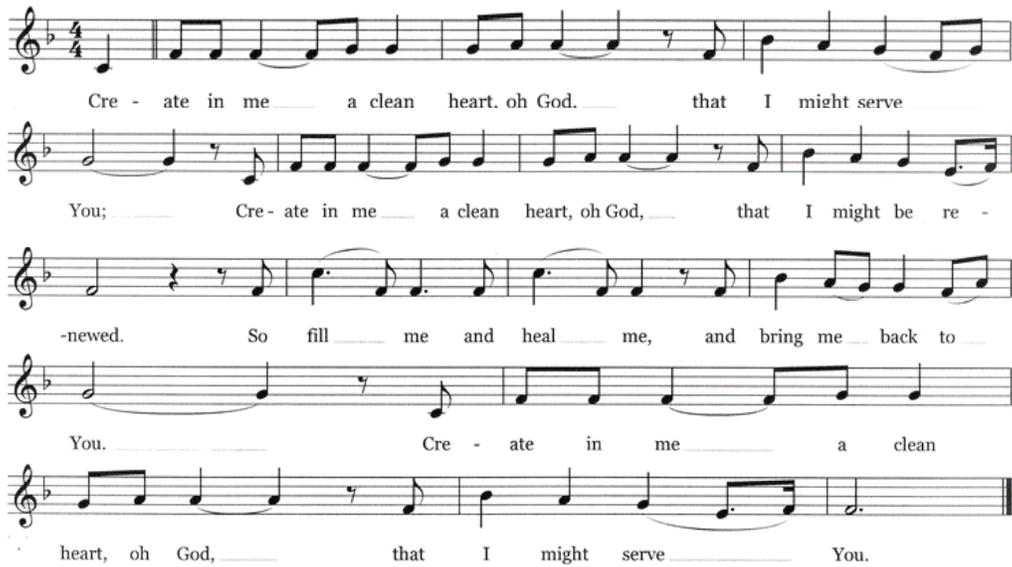
MEAL

Offering

Offertory Anthem

Offertory

Create in Me



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, oh God, that I might serve
 You; Cre - ate in me a clean heart, oh God, that I might be re -
 -newed. So fill me and heal me, and bring me back to
 You. Cre - ate in me a clean
 heart, oh God, that I might serve You.

Offering Prayer

Generous God, were we to lay all our possessions on this Table, it still wouldn't be enough to buy your love. Instead, accept these gifts as our response for all the love that you shower upon us, and help us to freely give away all that we have to bless the world with that same love. In Jesus' name.

Amen.

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.

SENDING

Announcements

Benediction

Go into the world, and give everything you have in service to others.

Go into the world to love God and to love your neighbor as yourself.

Go into the world knowing that our Lord, Jesus Christ, goes with you and has already given his life for you.

And when things seem impossible for you, remember that for God, all things are possible.

Amen.

Sending Song

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

Hymnal #536

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

And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?

Matthew 6:27

VINJE STAFF

Pastors

Justin Ask
Dane Skilbred

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Chris Stark, Director

THANK YOU

This week's broadcast is sponsored by **Jerry and Kris Swanson** in celebration and thanks for their 50th wedding anniversary on March 14th.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Chad Olson, Mary Nelson, Bill Olsen, Norman Hellickson,
Dennis Parker, Nora Ander



Easter Special Contributions

We welcome your donations of Easter Flowers and contributions for the Food Shelf. Your contributions can be given in memory of a loved one who has passed away, in honor of someone who is living, or in thanksgiving for a person or circumstance in your life. Donations for the food shelf should be made by March 25th in order for the food shelf to receive matching funds. All other contributions should be submitted by April 1st in order to be listed in the Easter bulletin. Forms are available at the Welcome Desk or in the Church Office.



MARCH IS FOOD SHELF MONTH

During March, we'll be collecting monetary contributions as well as non-perishable food items for the Kandiyohi County Food Shelf. Please join us in supporting this important resource for our community.

Monetary donations are appreciated as they can be used to access matching grant funds. Also, due to partnerships with food banks, your \$20 donation can be used to purchase close to \$200 worth of food. Checks can be written to Vinje with "Food Shelf" in the memo.

LUTHERAN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Vinje College Scholarship letters have been mailed out. If you have not received one (and will be attending a Lutheran college for the 20-21 school year), please contact the church office as soon as possible.



TOOLKIT FOR THE WILDERNESS

SUNDAYS, THROUGH MAR 29TH | 10:45 AM

During Lent, we will study *Brené Brown's Braving the Wilderness: The Quest for True Belonging and the Courage to Stand Alone* in a book study group! Please join us!

- 3/15: Chapter 4 **CANCELLED**
- 3/22: Chapter 5 **CANCELLED**
- 3/29: Chapters 6 and 7 **TBD**

Come to one or all sessions. Reading the assigned chapters is recommended but not required.

THIS WEEK AT VINJE

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

- 8:15 AM VINJE CHOIR REHEARSAL
- 8:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
- 9:30 AM WORSHIP
- 10:45 AM LENTEN BOOK STUDY
- 5:30 PM FREE FELLOWSHIP MEAL
- 7:00 PM WILLMAR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION PARENT MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 16

- 10:30 AM DELIVER MEALS ON WHEELS
- 12:00 PM FAITH AND FINANCE MEETING
- 5:30 PM YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING
- 5:30 PM LOVING ARMS PARENT ADVISORY MTG
- 7:00 PM CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

- 9:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
- 9:15 AM LOVING ARMS CHAPEL TIME
- 10:30 AM DELIVER MEALS ON WHEELS
- 1:00 PM STAFF MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

- 9:00 AM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
- 10:00 AM LENTEN WORSHIP-BETHEL
- 10:30 AM DELIVER MEALS ON WHEELS
- 3:30 PM GRACE OUTS
- 5:00 PM MEAL
- 5:00 PM JUBILEE JON JR.
- 5:25 PM NOVA VOICES
- 6:00 PM LENTEN WORSHIP
- 6:45 PM CONFIRMATION MENTORING
- 6:45 PM JUBILEE
- 6:45 PM CHILDM SINGERS
- 7:00 PM HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

THURSDAY, MARCH 19

- 10:30 AM DELIVER MEALS ON WHEELS
- 4:00 PM RIDGEWATER EARLY CHILDHOOD CLASS
- 6:00 PM AM-PEOPLE FIRST MEETING
- 7:00 PM WEST CENTRAL SINGERS

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

- 10:30 AM DELIVER MEALS ON WHEELS

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

- 8:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
- 9:30 AM WORSHIP
- 10:45 AM LENTEN BOOK STUDY

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAYS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 4TH.



LIFE CIRCUMSTANCES ability AGE ethnicity RACE gender identity LANGUAGE sexual orientation

AT VINJE LUTHERAN CHURCH, ALL ARE WELCOME, BECAUSE GOD WELCOMES ALL. YOU ARE WELCOME. YOUR FAMILY, CHILDREN, FRIENDS, SPOUSES AND PARTNERS ARE ALL WELCOME. YOUR DIVERSITY, IDEAS, QUESTIONS, AND UNIQUENESS ARE ALL WELCOME.