



VINJE

DECEMBER 15, 2021

6:00 PM

gathering

GATHERING SONG O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Amidst the frantic hustle and bustle of the holidays and the end-of-year weariness, there is a longing for something more. **We want more than what this world has to offer. We want more than what we can buy. We want more than the empty stuff that clutters our lives.**

We admit that so often we go chasing after the things that never satisfy, the things that fade away, and the things that always leave us feeling empty. **God, fill our lives with something more.**

Give us more than presents, give us more than decorations, give us even more than full bellies. **Fill us with your love, your life, and your light.**

Hear the good news: The greatest gift has already been given to our world. A love that takes on flesh, a baby that brings life to the world, a light that brings hope in every darkness. This is the God who forgives us, the God who satisfies our hungry hearts, and the God who is with us. This is our Emmanuel.

Amen.

ADVENT REFLECTION VIDEO - ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS...MUSIC

welcome...we're glad you're here!

We are so glad that you are here and worshiping God with us today. We know that God loves and welcomes all people and so we do our best to do the same. Feel comfortable being who God created you to be in this space and listen for the ways that the Holy Spirit is calling you to faith and a deeper love for your neighbor. Thanks for joining this community of faith, service, and worship today. You are always welcome!

GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

Refrain

*Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and ev'rywhere;
go tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born!*

While shepherds
kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout
the heavens
there shone a holy light.

Refrain

The shepherds
feared and trembled
when, lo, above the earth
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed our Savior's birth.

Refrain

Down in a lonely manger
the humble Christ was born;
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn.

Refrain



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

sending

LOVING ARMS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

HYMN GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG WHAT CHILD IS THIS

PRAYERS

word

COMMUNION

LORD'S PRAYER

**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

SONGS

KYRIE ELEISON

O COME O COME EMMANUEL

meal

BENEDICTION

*God has called you here to give you
more than your heart desires. Now you are sent
to fill the world with God's love.*

*Go, with God's blessing: to love others as God
loves you, to reflect the light that God is already
shining in your life, and to share the good news
of the One who is born into our world.*

*And as you go, know the + Christ who is with
you, and me, and this whole weary world:
Our Emmanuel.*

Amen.

CLOSING SONG ALL IS WELL

DISMISSAL

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

*words
to live by:*

*Lift up your voice and sing
Born is now Emmanuel
Born is our Lord and Savior
Sing alleluia sing alleluia
All is well*

**servant leaders
today**

MUSICIANS

Loving Arms Children,
Carol Parker, Carly Hulstein, John
Marchand, Travis Michelson

VIDEO

Scott Hovland

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Christmas AT VINJE

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP | FRIDAY, DEC 24 | 3, 5 & 10:30 PM

The 3:00 service includes traditional carols and a Children's Message.

The 5:00 service includes traditional carols, praise songs, a Children's Message, and candle lighting.

The 10:30 service features the Vinje Choir, the traditional liturgy, and concludes with candle lighting.

Each service includes Holy Communion.

Remember in Prayer

We would like to check in on you or your loved ones when ill or hospitalized. If you or someone you know is in the hospital please let one of the pastors or the church office know.

RECENTLY ILL OR HOSPITALIZED

Anne Anderson, Jeanette Fauchald, Mark Steffens

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Mary Nelson, Sonja Westre, Andrew Schriener, Kathy Reishus, Nora Ander, Lane Leedahl



SHARE A CHRISTMAS

GREETING WITH YOUR VINJE FAMILY!

We've created a bulletin board on which to share your family's Christmas greeting with your Vinje family! We'd love to include your family's Christmas card on the bulletin board in the entry way! If you'd like, please bring one with you and put it on the bulletin board to share (pins are already waiting for you on the board). Thanks!

THIS WEEK AT VINJE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

3:30 PM WEDNESDAY LIVE
5-6 PM MEAL
5:25 PM NOVA VOICES
6:00 PM WORSHIP
6:00 PM CONFIRMATION
6:45 PM SHALOM SINGERS
6:45 PM HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

5:00 PM AIM-PEOPLE FIRST
6:30 PM WEST CENTRAL CONCERT SERIES MEETING

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

8:15 AM VINJE CHOIR REHEARSAL
8:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:30 AM WORSHIP

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20

12:00 PM FAITH AND FINANCE MEETING
5:30 PM AAUW MEETING

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

12:00 PM FAITH AND FINANCE
5:30 PM AAUW MEETIN

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

3:30 PM WEDNESDAY LIVE
NO MEAL, WORSHIP, CONFIRMATION OR CHOIR

DISASTER RELIEF

On Dec. 10, a devastating outbreak of tornadoes swept through six states. Lutheran Disaster Response is engaging with partners in the affected areas to respond to immediate needs. To donate, go to www.elca.org/disaster

LIFE CIRCUMSTANCES ability AGE  ethnicity RACE **gender-identity**

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.

LANGUAGE sexual orientation



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