

The logo for Vinje Lutheran Church features a stylized 'V' on the left, composed of geometric shapes in red, purple, and blue. To the right of the 'V', the word 'VINJE' is written in a large, bold, blue sans-serif font. Below 'VINJE', the words 'LUTHERAN CHURCH' are written in a smaller, blue sans-serif font.

VINJE

LUTHERAN CHURCH



SUNDAY, APRIL 24 | 9:30 AM

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

God of Endless Mercy, we have often been swallowed up by our greed and selfishness, desiring that which we do not have, filling our lives with things that do not save us.

We have often been swept away by the floods of our own making, polluting your creation, neglecting to be faithful stewards of the earth.

We have often attacked one another and led lives of violence, sending missiles instead of accepting refugees, ignoring your commandments.

Lord have mercy, for we have sinned and fallen short of your glory.

Christ have mercy, for we are broken and need your salvation.

Hear this good news! God makes all things new! In Jesus, we are all a new creation. God's gift of grace grows in us. God's love sets us free to love our neighbor and love the world God made. In the mighty newness of God, your sin has been forgiven and washed clean.

Amen.

HYMN

TOUCH THE EARTH LIGHTLY

HYMNAL #739

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

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!

SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

Preaching

Pastor Andrés Albertsen

Presiding

Pastor Dane Skilbred

Lector

Phyllis Stageberg

Communion Servers

The Mages Family

Musician

Carol Parker

Slides

Paul & Sue Bredeson

Cameras

Paul Nordin

Altar Care

Peggy Sampson



**Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America**

God's work. Our hands.



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access as Vinje Guest

WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

PSALM 33:1-9

BIBLE PG. 440

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

SCRIPTURE ACCLAMATION

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH

ELW 172

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 6:25-34

BIBLE PG. 787

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

“So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

FOR THE FRUIT OF ALL CREATION

HYMNAL #679

APOSTLES’ CREED

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

MEAL

OFFERING MUSIC FAIREST LORD JESUS
OFFERTORY GLORY TO YOU, GOD
OFFERING PRAYER
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

LAMB OF GOD

HYMN CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY HYMNAL #373
HYMN HALLELUJAH! JESUS LIVES! HYMNAL #380

TABLE BLESSING

HYMNAL PG. 112

SENDING

BENEDICTION

*May we always walk gently upon the Earth,
nurtured by your love,
open to the wind of the Spirit,
taking only what we need,
always open to the needs of others,
making choices that bring wellbeing,
living with generosity,
striving for justice,
honoring all with reverence,
reconciling and peacemaking,
mindful of those who will come after,
recognizing our proper place as part of your creation.*

Amen.

SENDING HYMN NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISES HYMNAL #379

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

COMMUNION

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

WORDS TO LIVE BY

"Nature is usually seen as a system which can be studied, understood and controlled, whereas creation can only be understood as a gift from the outstretched hand of the Father of all, and as a reality illuminated by the love which calls us together into universal communion."
-Pope Francis

VINJE STAFF

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Justin Ask
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**Sponsors are needed for:
5/15, 5/22, 5/29, 6/5, 6/12**

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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

Cole Woltjer, Mary Mielke

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Mary Nelson, Sonja Westre, Nora Ander, Lane Leedah, Jeanette Fauchald, Darleen Manthey, Kerry Selseth, Lavonne Schow



FREE TREES FOR EARTH DAY!

The Creation Care committee will be giving out free bare root trees, along with instructions for their planting and care, after church on Sunday, April 24. They will also be available to pick up in the parking lot between 11 am and 12 pm that day (while supplies last!). The variety of trees offered are Hackberry, Meyers's Spruce, Radiant Crab and Burr Oak.

Also, you're invited to stop by Pleasant View Park at 1pm today for the planting of new elm trees by area 4h Clubs.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

The Creation Care team would like to remind you that you can recycle of old electronics at Southwest Recycling, 3701 W Hwy 12, M-S, 8-5, and Sunday 11-5, for a fee. Their phone number is 320.235.9323.

WEDNESDAY SUMMER WORSHIP SURVEY

Hey Vinje, we've noticed that Wednesday night worship has been a really important part of your week throughout the school year. We are wondering if you'd like to see it throughout the summer, or if Sundays and online offerings are meeting your summer worship needs. Take a quick survey and let us know (3 clicks and you'll be done). Scan this QR code with your phone or find the link in your weekly email to access the survey.



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

THIS WEEK AT VINJE

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

8:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:30 AM WORSHIP

MONDAY, APRIL 25

7:00 PM CHURCH COUNCIL

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

10:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
5:30 PM BILTMORE ESTATES ANNUAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

3:30 PM WEDNESDAY LIVE!
5-6 PM SUPPER
5:25 PM NOVA VOICES
6:00 PM WORSHIP
6:45 PM CONFIRMATION

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

4:00 PM RIDGEWATER EARLY CHILDHOOD CLASS

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

12:00 PM MEGAN ANDRESEN BRIDAL SHOWER

SUNDAY, MAY 1

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

NEW SERMON SERIES



I'M NEW HERE SUNDAYS MAY 1-JUNE 5

Spring is often a time for lots of new beginnings, milestones, and celebrations. Through Jesus, we believe God is making all things new—even us. Throughout all in life that is new, uncertain, fresh and exciting, God speaks words of comfort, promise, and challenge.



JESUS AT THE MOVIES

WEDNESDAYS APRIL 24 – MAY 15

Lights! Camera! Gospel! Grab your popcorn and join us for our Wednesday series "Jesus at the Movies". Your pastors boldly proclaim to you a vision for our church using both Scripture and movie clips.



MAY QUILT RAFFLE

Each Sunday in May, the Vinje Quilters will be selling raffle tickets for a handmade quilt created by Shirley Sundlee! All proceeds will go towards camp scholarships for Vinje youth. Your support of this ministry is greatly appreciated!

SCAN HERE TO GIVE ONLINE

