I AM THANKFUL FOR

THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2022 | 6:00 PM | VINJE LUTHERAN CHURCH

A combined worship service of Church of St. Mary,
St. John's Lutheran Church and Vinje Lutheran Church

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!

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Pastor Justin Ask
Father Steve Verhelst

Musicians
Vinje Handbell Choir
Church of St Mary Handbell Choir
Combined Praise Band
Combined St. Mary & Vinje Choirs

Cameras
Scott Hovland

Slides
Jen Hovland

Usher
Mark Bredeson

Welcome Desk
Brent & Sheri Pederson

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WIFI Available
access as Vinje Guest

GATHERING

GATHERING SONG	TEN THOUSAND REASONS	ST MARY HANDBELL CHOIR
SONG	BLESSED BE YOUR NAME	
WELCOME		
VIDEO	FIRST WORLD PROBLEMS	

CALL TO WORSHIP
The world is filled with the glory of God, and we say,
Thank you!
God calls forth plants from the ground as beauty overwhelms the earth, and we say,
Thank you!
God provides food for tables all around the world, and we say,
Thank you!
God gives our lives meaning through laughter and tears, and we say,
Thank you!
God touches our hearts through family and friends, and we say,
Thank you!
God loves us and blesses us with everything good, and we say,
Thank you!
Let us fill this house of God with our voices, saying,
Thank you!

SONG	INDESCRIBABLE
SONG	HOW GREAT THOU ART

WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY
O God, you have promised through your Son to be with your church forever. We give you thanks for your faithfulness to Church of Saint Mary, Saint John's and Vinje, for the signs of your presence in our congregations, and throughout our communities. Increase in us the spirit of faith and love, and make our fellowship an example to all believers and to all nations. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM	I THANK YOU, LORD	COMBINED CHOIRS
SCRIPTURE READING	LUKE 17:11-19	BIBLE PG. 852
MESSAGE		
SONG	TEN THOUSAND REASONS	

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

PEACE

ANTHEM THANKSGIVING MEDLEY VINJE HANDBELL CHOIR

PROCESSIONAL OFFERING FOR THE KANDIYOHI COUNTY FOOD SHELF

OFFERING PRAYER

We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us. In the upside-down world of the gospel, we measure our wealth not by what we have, but by what we can give away. We thank you for the gifts that we can give so that all may be fed.
Amen.

VIDEO TAKEN FOR GRANTED

SENDING

WE GIVE THANKS

God Most High,
Before your son fed the multitudes, he first gave thanks. Before he raised his friend Lazarus, he first gave thanks. And so, we thank you and praise you, O Lord.

For the grace to feed the poor…
we thank you and praise you, O Lord.

For the grace to heal the sick …
we thank you and praise you, O Lord.

For the grace to lift up the broken…
we thank you and praise you, O Lord.

For the grace to harbor the refugee…
we thank you and praise you, O Lord.

For the grace to aid the endangered…
we thank you and praise you, O Lord.

For the grace to speak on behalf of the marginalized and vulnerable…
we thank you and praise you, O Lord.

For the grace to be for the prisoner, the addict, the lost, the outcast, the dying what your son has been for us: a comfort, a beacon, a shepherd, a rabbi, a healer, a hope, the salt of the earth, the light of the world…
we thank you and praise you, O Lord.
Amen.

BENEDICTION

SONG FOREVER

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

TONIGHT'S **OFFERING**

All of tonight's food and monetary offerings will be donated to the Kandiyohi County Food Shelf.

The Kandiyohi County Food Shelf has been helping Kandiyohi County residents since 1982.

Most households live paycheck to paycheck and just one bad event such as getting laid off, a health issue or a death in the family and they are seeking help from the Food Shelf.

FOOD SHELF FACTS

40% served are children under 18 years old.

5% served are over 65 years of age or older.

3% of those served are homeless.

20% of the Food Shelf's support comes from churches.

JOIN US FOR PIE!

Join us for a pie social in the fellowship hall following worship.

THANK **YOU**

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