

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

Kerry Selseth, Myrt Christenson

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Sonja Westre, Lane Leedahl, Darleen Manthey, Louise Gislason, Mary Mielke

BEREAVED

John and Sue Soderholm and family following the death of John's sister, Carol Ann Domke on December 12.

unplugged

JANUARY SERMON SERIES: UNPLUGGED

JANUARY 4-JANUARY 29

In our culture, we are obsessed and addicted to more. We overwork, we multitask, we look for more things to do. But God designed us with limits. Unplugged is a series for those of you who never felt you've done enough. Those who never feel you've reached that point in life where it's ok to say "ok". It's a series for those who never feel they can say "I am enough." God says you are enough. Come and listen, we'll help you hear it.



PIZZA WITH THE PASTORS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8 | 11 AM

Hey, are you new to Vinje in the last few years? Do you want to learn more about the church? Would you like a chance to get to know your pastors better? Or maybe you would be willing to tolerate some time with your pastors as long as there is a free lunch to get you through it? On January 8 Pastors Justin and Dane will be hanging out in room 102 after worship and welcome anyone who would like to learn more about Vinje, hear about opportunities to get involved, or wants to know about becoming a member. Did we mention there will be pizza? There will be pizza! Please join us for some laid back conversation, fun, and food after worship.

SCAN HERE TO GIVE ONLINE!



THIS WEEK AT VINJE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

3:00 PM WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION
5:00 PM WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION
9:00 PM WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

9:30 AM JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE
AT ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN-RAYMOND
NO WORSHIP AT VINJE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27

10:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

**NO WORSHIP, MEAL, OR YOUTH ACTIVITIES
DUE TO CHRISTMAS BREAK**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

9:30 AM JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE WITH
ST. JOHN'S AT VINJE

OFFICE HOURS DECEMBER 26-29

The Vinje office will be closed on Monday, December 26. We will be in the office from 8:30-12:30 Tuesday, December 27 through Thursday, December 29.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Please contact the church office if you would like to sponsor the bulletin (\$60), broadcast (\$95), or bus (\$62), or all 3 for \$200.

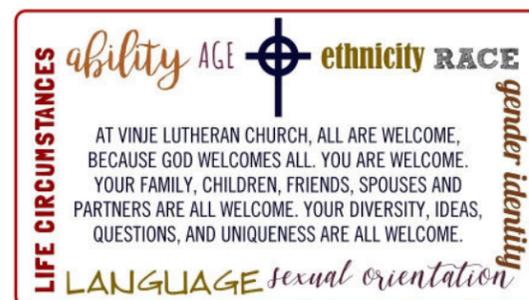
Sponsors are needed for all of 2023! This is a great way to honor a loved one, celebrate an anniversary, etc.! Please email Tanya (tanyas@vinjchurch.com) or call the office to reserve your date(s). Thanks!

THANK YOU

Today's 3pm bulletin is sponsored by Pastor Mary Hovland and family in memory of Leon Hovland, Magel & Jim Boyd, Lester & Gunhild Hovland, and Lee Boyd.

Today's 5pm bulletin is sponsored by Brenda Woltjer in thanksgiving for many blessings.

Today's 9pm bulletin is sponsored by Merle Berkland in memory of Andy Berkland, Barb Berkland, Erv & Edna Wacker, Harry & Elnora Berkland, and Donna Selin.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2022 | CHRISTMAS EVE | 5:00 PM

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CHRISTMAS PROCLAMATION

Let us go now to Bethlehem,
To see good news born in our world.

Let us go with the shepherds:

To see the Savior!

Let us go with the wise ones:

To see God's greatest treasure!

Let us go with the poor and humble:

To see our Lord, born in a lowly manger.

Let us sing with all the world,

To share the news of the God who is with us all.

Come, let us worship; come, let us adore him:

Christ the Lord is born today!

HYMN

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

HYMNAL #283

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have filled us with the new light of the Word who became flesh and lived among us. Let the light of Christ that dwells within us shine in all that we do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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 Dane Skilbred

PRESIDING

Pastor Justin Ask

MUSICIANS

Worth Saving
Max Trochlil, solo
Steve & Ann Trochlil, duet

COMMUNION

Lynn Johnson
Brent Pederson
Sheri Pederson

USHERS

Lyle & Bonnie Lange
Dan Kleven
Tom Johnson
Denny Anfinson



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WORD

SONG JOY TO THE WORLD HYMNAL #267

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HOLY GOSPEL LUKE 2:1-7

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

MESSAGE

SONG O COME, O COME EMMANUEL

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

ANTHEM ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

OFFERING RESPONSE CHRISTMAS OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

God with us:

You came as a baby to a manger.

You slept on straw and greeted shepherds.

You come again in bread and wine.

Remind us how good you are at blessing ordinary things.

And then, through these gifts,

help us to bless the lives of others

in the strength of your holy name.

Amen.

HOLY 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.

ANTHEM

SONG

SONG

HE HAS COME (GOD REST YE MERRY GENTLEMEN)

COME, THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS

GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

HYMNAL #290

*As candles are lit, please keep the **LIT** candle in an **UPRIGHT** position
and tip **UNLIT** candles. Please do not walk with a lit candle.*

LESSON

JOHN 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

SONG

SILENT NIGHT

HYMNAL #281

SENDING

BENEDICTION

Please extinguish your candles. As you depart, return candles in bins.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you!

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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).

MAY GOD BE WITH YOU THIS CHRISTMAS AND ALWAYS

We know that Christmas is a very special time of year and can provide some of the most treasured memories of our lives. We gather together so we can share in the good news of Emmanuel, the God who is with us. We also acknowledge that this holy season has the potential to be overwhelming or lonely. Please know, that wherever you find yourself today, God is indeed with you and that this is a community of faith where you are always welcome. We are blessed by your presence and grateful for all you do in the world to share God's love. We know that many live with a deep need for hope in their lives and we all have the opportunity to make the Christmas promise a reality for others. Thank you for sharing God's love with others as you go about your day today and every day. It is through your lives that God continues to be Emmanuel and Jesus continues to be born into our world each day.