



NOVEMBER 5, 2023 | 9:30 AM

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

For joy and for laughter, for the blessings we experience every day, we say

Thank you, God

For those who have gone before us to teach us about the abundance of your love, we say

Thank you, God

For the times of struggle and heartache, when we know you were there with us, we say

Thank you, God

For your grace and love when we fall short, for helping us to start over again, we say

Thank you, God

For the times when we share what we have so that others can have, too, we say

Thank you, God

God of our whole lives, we thank you for meeting us right where we are, and giving us all that we have. Help us to live lives of gratitude. Help us to give what we have. Help us to say with our words and our actions:

Thanks be to God.

OPENING HYMN

FOR ALL THE SAINTS (VS 1, 2, 5-7)

HYMNAL #422

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

Pastors

Justin Ask
Dane Skilbred
Andrés Albertsen

Organist

Tim Burns

Musicians

Vinje Choir

Reader

Phyllis Stageberg

Communion Servers

Steve & Jill Condon



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

God of us all, we give you thanks for the saints who have gone before us to teach us about you. We thank you for their example, we thank you for their love, we thank you for the blessing they were and are. Remind us that their love lives on in us, until that day when we see each other again. In Jesus' name.

Amen.

BAPTISM

KINLEY MARIE LITZAU

WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

1 JOHN 4:12-17

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING

REVELATION 21:1-6

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

ANTHEM

BEHOLD THE HOST ARRAYED IN WHITE

READING THE HEBREWS VERSE ON FRIEZE

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and the sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

READING THE NAMES ON THE FRIEZE

*The names behind the staircase are: **Augustine, Benedict, Ansgar, Anselm, Bernard of Clairvoux.** There are two blank spaces at the end of the series. At the first blank space, speak your own name. At the second and last blank space, speak the name of someone who has died and is now a member of the church triumphant.*

PRAYERS

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

Philip Anderson	Joan Gunderson
Robert Hieronimus	Ernie Carlson
James Buisman	Grant Christianson
Elaine Budach	George Peper
Marvella Isaacson	Naomi Mahler

REMEMBERING THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Myles Jeffrey Sandmann	Hazel Katherine Tupa
Savanna Louise Privette	Ryker MaxMae Nelsen
Meredith Jean Saunders	Lily Ann Carlson
Kailani Mae Noga	Max Otto Hagemeyer
Ryleigh Jean Helmbrecht	Kinley Marie Litzau
Lettie Alexa Quam	

PRAYERS

MEAL

OFFERING

ANTHEM

THANKS BE TO GOD

OFFERING PRAYER

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.

HYMN

BLEST ARE THEY

HYMNAL #728

HYMN

SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER

HYMNAL #423

TABLE BLESSING

SENDING

BLESSING

God has blessed you with all you have,
so now go and be a blessing,
Give to others as God has given to you
Love others as God has loved you
Serve others as God has served you
And do all this knowing that, as you do, God will be blessing you.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

FOR ALL YOUR SAINTS, O LORD

HYMNAL #427

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION

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

NURSERY CARE

Nursery care is available during all worship services in Loving Arm's Pre-K Room located in the east hallway.

VINJE STAFF

Pastors

Justin Ask

Dane Skilbred

Visitation Pastor

Andrés Albertsen

Office Manager

Tanya Schunk

Ministry Associate

Melissa Hansen

Director of Engagement & Worship Life

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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Please call the church office if you would like to sponsor the bulletin (\$75), broadcast (\$95), bus (\$60), or coffee (\$40) or all 4 for \$250.

Sponsors are needed for these upcoming weeks: 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31

THANK YOU

This week's bulletin is sponsored **in memory of the 2nd anniversary of Bob Tinklenberg's funeral** by his loving family. This week's broadcast is sponsored **in loving memory of Ed & Muriel Haats.**

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

Don Handahl, Marvin Turnipseed, Jim Loehr, Kerry Selseth, Dianne Christenson, Ted Olson

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Lane Leedah, Merle Berkeland, Shirley Brandt, Trevor Hansen

BEREAVED

Pete, Andrea, Sam and Grace Etterman following the death of Pete's dad, Pete on October 26.

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Kinley Marie Litzau, daughter of Megan Kottke and Scott Litzau. Kinley's baptismal sponsors are Nicole Kottke and Dave Litzau.

THIS WEEK AT VINJE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

8:30 AM VINJE CHOIR REHEARSAL
9:30 AM ALL SAINTS SUNDAY WORSHIP

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

6:00 PM JUBELLATION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

10:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
3-7 PM LUTEFISK SUPPER

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

3:30 PM WEDNESDAY LIVE!
5:00 PM SUPPER: PIZZA
5:25 PM NOVA/SHALOM
6:00 PM WORSHIP
6:45 PM CONFIRMATION MENTOR NIGHT!
6:45 PM HS YOUTH GROUP

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9:00 AM VINJE QUILTERS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

9:30 AM WORSHIP

BUTTER BRAIDS

NOW THROUGH NOVEMBER 6

Loving Arms is once again selling delicious Butter Braids! You will find an order form on the Welcome Desk (or email melissah@vinjchurch.com). Thank you for your support this important Vinje ministry!

Lutefisk & MEATBALL Supper

LUTEFISK & MEATBALL SUPPER

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 | 3-7 PM

We hope you'll join us for the Lutefisk and Meatball Supper on Tuesday, November 7th!

BAKED GOODS NEEDED!

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 | 3-7 PM

We'd greatly appreciate it if you would be willing to provide some baked goods for our Lutefisk Supper Bake Sale! Proceeds benefit Vinje youth! Any bars, cookies, breads, cakes, etc. would be great! Items can be packaged to sell and dropped off at the main office by 2 pm on November 7th. Thanks!



WHS PRESENTS GREASE!

THURS-SUN, NOV 9-12

Once again, Willmar High School's musical

features Vinje actors and directors! You won't want to miss this fantastic rendition of Grease! Tickets are available for purchase at www.willmar.k12.mn.us.

WEST CENTRAL SINGERS PRESENTS: A SWEET SLICE OF GRATITUDE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19 | 4 PM
CALVARY CHURCH

West Central Singers invite you to attend their fall concert, "A Sweet Slice of Gratitude." Several Vinje members are a part of this talented group! Tickets are available at the door. The cost is \$10 for adults (no charge for students or children!).

VINJE HAPPENINGS

Curious as to what happens around here other than worship? Here's just a few things that have been going on lately...

On Tuesday, the staff participated in a little vision planning and strengths discussion led by council president, Lynn Stier.

After that, it was all hands on deck for Trail of Treats set up...things were moved inside this year due to the temps. It turns out, the sanctuary was a great place to host this fun event! More than 100 kids left with full candy buckets!

On Wednesday, calls were made and meetings were had to finalize some Lutefisk plans. We are looking forward to another wonderful event in just a few short days!

Also, over the past week, your Vinje staff has been working hard on a Wednesday meal schedule... do you have any interest in helping with one? Talk to Melissa!

PRAYER FOR PEACE

NOV 5 | 7PM | FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Many of us are struggling with the ongoing conflict between Israel and Hamas and how we might respond. On Sunday, November 5, you are invited to an ecumenical evening prayer service called "Light of the World" hosted by First Presbyterian Church in Willmar. It will be an opportunity for us to gather with other Christians to worship together and to pray for peace. An offering will be received and all proceeds will go toward humanitarian aid.