



DECEMBER 24, 2023

9:30 AM

gathering

PRELUDE

O HOLY NIGHT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAROL

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Gathered in the name of Jesus, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Gracious God,

in Christ Jesus you come among us as light shining in the darkness. Forgive us for the ways we have chosen darkness over light, and for the ways we have hurt one another and you. Give us a fresh start. Help us to see, with new eyes, the light of your grace that is born into the world today.

I bring you good news of great joy for all the people: To you is born a Savior, Christ the Lord. In Christ Jesus +, God is with you, you are forgiven, you are loved.

Amen.

CAROL

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SCRIPTURE READING

TITUS 3:4-8

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

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!

word

SCRIPTURE ACCLAMATION

ANGELS WE HAVE
HEARD ON HIGH, VS 1

MESSAGE

WORD MADE FLESH
JOHN 1 SELECTED VERSES

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APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS



"THE WORD 'GRACE' IS
USED ONLY FOUR TIMES IN THE
GOSPEL OF JOHN, AND ALL IN
THE FIRST CHAPTER. FOR JOHN,
GOD DOESN'T JUST TELL US
ABOUT GRACE, GOD SHOWS US
WHAT GRACE LOOKS LIKE, TASTES
LIKE, SMELLS LIKE, SOUNDS LIKE,
AND FEELS LIKE IN THE PERSON
OF JESUS CHRIST."
- KAROLINE LEWIS

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

meal

OFFERING

SOLO

MANGER THRONE

OFFERTORY SONG

WHAT CHILD IS THIS, VS 3

OFFERING PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION

SOLO

PETIT PAPA NOEL

CAROLS

sending

BENEDICTION

*May Christ, who by his birth
has filled our world with grace and truth,
give you peace this Christmas and always.
And may the God who is with us bless you now and forever.
Amen.*

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DISMISSAL

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

SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

PASTORS	Dane Skilbred Andrés Albertsen	SOLOIST	Travis Michelson
USHERS	Norm Strehlow	MUSICIANS	Grace Etterman Meryl Bos
COMMUNION	Rick & Jody Loseth	SLIDES	David Peterson
PIANIST	Su Michelson	CAMERA	Justin Bos

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

Marvin Turnipseed, Karen Wiehr, Sonja Westre, Lane Leedahl, Mona Welker

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Merle Berkeland, Shirley Brandt, Ted Olson, Trevor Hansen, Randy Patton

BEREAVED

Family and friends of Don Handahl following his death on December 19.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sponsors are needed for bulletin, broadcast, bus and coffee for 2024! Please call or email the church office to reserve your dates. Thanks!

THANK YOU

This morning's bulletin, broadcast, bus are sponsored by **Jerry and Elaine Schliep** in thanksgiving for their many blessings.

This morning's coffee is sponsored by **Penny Hieronimus** in memory of her husband, **Robert**.



Christmas Eve at Vinje

3 pm Wednesday Live! Kids singing. Modern worship service led by Praise Team. Service includes candle lighting and communion. Pastor Justin preaching.

5 pm Traditional worship service with organ and special music by Vinje Choir. Service includes candle lighting and communion. Pastor Justin preaching.

LIFE CIRCUMSTANCES ability AGE ethnicity RACE gender identity LANGUAGE sexual orientation

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.

VINJE IS HIRING!

Vinje is hiring a PT Faith Formation Coordinator for Wednesday afternoons and Sunday mornings. This 8-10 hour/week position is responsible for coordinating and administering programs for children and youth that foster spiritual growth and faithful understanding. Contact Pastor Justin if interested!

WEDNESDAY TREATS NEEDED!

We are in need of treats (any kind!) to serve with Wednesday suppers! If you are able to bake or buy any sweet treats to share on Wednesdays, they can be dropped off in the office at your convenience. Thanks so much!



MISSION TRIPS!

Info about the youth mission trips to St Louis and

Nebraska can be found on the website! Parents, please talk with your kids about this fun opportunity! Contact Pastor Justin with questions.



REFUGEE FAMILY UPDATE

Your Circle of Welcome team is happy to announce that our refugee family has arrived and moved into their new home last week. As we have been working with them and assessing their needs, we have come up with a new list of items they'll need as they get settled in. Head to our website to check out this list and let us know if there is an item (or more) that you can help with. Thanks for your generosity in continuing to help this family get on their feet!

THIS WEEK AT VINJE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

9:30 AM WORSHIP
3:00 PM CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP
5:00 PM CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

MERRY CHRISTMAS!
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26

10:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

NO WORSHIP OR ACTIVITIES!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

9:30 AM WORSHIP

MONDAY, JANUARY 1

HAPPY NEW YEAR!
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

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



USHERS NEEDED!

We are in need of ushers for upcoming Sundays. If you can pitch in and help out with this important, yet easy task, please email melissah@vinjchurch.com or call the church office. Thanks!

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