



**VINJE**

**JANUARY 28, 2024**

**9:30 AM**

gathering

## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Sometimes, Lord, we aren't the people you call us to be.*

**Remind us who we are.**

*Sometimes, we focus on what we don't have instead of what we do have.*

**Remind us who we are.**

*Sometimes, we are so concerned about ourselves that we aren't concerned enough about those around us.*

**Remind us who we are.**

*Sometimes, we forget the gifts you bless us with and we forget to share what we have with others.*

**Remind us who we are.**

*Here in this place, God gives you a fresh start, a new beginning, and a reminder of who you are and whose you are. You belong, you are blessed, and you are loved, just as you are.*

**Amen**

## **SONG**

**GLORIOUS DAY**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*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!

**SCRIPTURE READING**

COLOSSIANS 3:10-14

*Word of God, Word of Life.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**MESSAGE**

*YOU ARE...FORGIVING*

LUKE 6:37-42

**SONG** AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**PRAYERS**



"FORGIVENESS IS NOT AN OCCASIONAL ACT, IT IS A CONSTANT ATTITUDE."

- MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR

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

**OFFERING**

**SONG** BUILD MY LIFE

**OFFERING PRAYER**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**COMMUNION**

**SONG** RECKLESS LOVE

**SONG** WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

**TABLE BLESSING**

**BENEDICTION**

*You are God's Church.*

*You are the body of Christ,*

*the hands and feet with which God blesses the world.*

*So go now, blessed by God to be a blessing,*

*Knowing that as you go, God's love goes with you.*

*In Jesus' name.*

**Amen.**

**SONG** THIS IS AMAZING GRACE

**DISMISSAL**

*Go in peace. Remember who you are.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

### PASTORS

Seyward Ask  
Dane Skilbred

### USHERS

Mark Bredeson  
Kirk Davis

### WORSHIP LEADER

Lily Sargent

### COMMUNION

Lynn Peterson  
Jeff Holtkamp

### LECTOR

Carol Schmiesing

## 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, Hans Dahl, Jim Tiede,  
Steve "Iver" Iverson

### CONTINUED PRAYERS

Merle Berkeland, Ted Olson,  
Trevor Hansen, Randy Patton,  
Lane Leedah

## 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 the following dates: 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25, 3/3, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31



## GREEN LAKE LUTHERAN MINISTRIES EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION

### DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 15.


Now's the time to get registered for camp! Head to [www.gllm.org](http://www.gllm.org) to check out all the options for our youth! Also, please note that scholarships are available if needed. Please reach out to Pastor Dane with any questions about these opportunities!



### BLOOD DRIVE

MON, FEB 5 | 1-6 PM  
FELLOWSHIP HALL

Vinje is hosting a blood drive on February 5th! If you can donate, please head to [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter "Vinje" in the search box to schedule your appointment. Thanks!

**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

# ANNUAL MEETING

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**FEBRUARY 4 & 7 | AFTER WORSHIP**

The 2024 annual meeting of Vinje Lutheran Church will begin on Sunday, February 4th after worship and will conclude on Wednesday, February 7th after worship. All information will be presented on both dates. All confirmed members of the congregation will have voice and vote. We will vote on new council members (please see the insert in your bulletin) and a 2024 budget proposal. Hope to see you all at one of these two meeting times!

*\*Also, please note that childcare will be available during the meeting!*

## I'VE BEEN MEANING TO ASK...

For the next two weeks (on both Sunday and Wednesdays), our Pastors will work to answer some of those age-old "big questions" about our faith. Here are the questions we'll be digging into...

- Do all religions lead to the same God?
- Does God have a plan for my life?
- Can I believe in both God and science?
- Is everything in the Bible true?

SCAN HERE TO  
GIVE ONLINE!



## THIS WEEK AT VINJE

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

9:30 AM WORSHIP  
2:00 PM VOCAL RECITAL:  
STUDENTS OF  
CHERYL SCHMIDT

### MONDAY, JANUARY 22

7:00 PM CHURCH COUNCIL MTG

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

10:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

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

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

9:30 AM WORSHIP

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



## LOVING ARMS IS HIRING!

Our three daycare centers (Loving Arms, Praise & Play at Faith in Spicer, and Discovery Hill on the MinnWest Campus) are in need a few kind-hearted, fun-loving individuals to join our staff! Full time, part time and substitute are needed! We offer flexible schedules, a fun work environment and more! If you can join our crew or if you know anyone that might be a good fit, please call or email Melissa Hansen!



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