



**I've been
meaning to ask...**

DO ALL RELIGIONS LEAD TO THE SAME GOD?



VINJE

JANUARY 31, 2024

6:00 PM

gathering

SONG

BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sometimes, God, we are afraid to ask you the big questions.

Deepen our faith, God.

Sometimes we worry our questions mean we doubt you.

Deepen our faith, God.

Sometimes we are more comfortable believing on a surface level.

Deepen our faith, God.

Sometimes we are afraid of what the answers might be.

Deepen our faith, God.

Questions and doubt are not signs of shrinking faith. Rather than drawing us from God, questions move us closer to discovering who God really is.

Questions are the sign of a faith that is real and alive and curious.

Questions deepen our faith. So let us dare to ask the big questions together.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG & OFFERING

GRATITUDE

SCAN HERE
TO GIVE
ONLINE! →



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!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**MESSAGE**

HEBREWS 11:1-12
 DO ALL RELIGIONS LEAD TO
 THE SAME GOD?
 PASTOR JUSTIN

SONG

SAME GOD



"RELIGIONS ARE SPECIFIC
 INTERPRETATIONS OF
 THE MYSTERY THAT NO
 HUMAN WORDS OR
 SYMBOLS CAN
 FULLY CONTAIN."

DOUGLAS JOHN HALL

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

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

SONG

LIVING HOPE

SONG

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

BLESSING

*As you leave this place
 remember that no question, fear, or doubt
 can separate us from the love of God.
 And may these words of Jesus echo through your mind, as well:
 "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."
 Go forth in Jesus' name.*

Amen.

SONG

EVERLASTING GOD

DISMISSAL

*Go in peace. Ask the big questions.
 Thanks be to God.*

SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

PASTORS

Justin Ask
Dane Skilbred

WORSHIP LEADER

Lily Sargent

SLIDES

Nicholas Runke
Kasen Neal

USHERS

Confirmation Students

NURSERY

Confirmation Students

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

CONTINUED PRAYERS

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

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!

Sponsors are needed for the following dates: 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25, 3/3, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31

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!*



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](https://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter "Vinje" in the search bar to schedule your appointment. Thanks!

LIFE CIRCUMSTANCES

ability AGE ethnicity RACE

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

gender identity

BOY SCOUT CHILI FEED

SUNDAY, FEB 4

11AM-1PM

CALVARY CHURCH

Support Vinje Boy Scouts by attending the delicious Troop 224 Chili Feed next Sunday at Calvary Lutheran Church! Your free will donations will be used towards summer camp expenses.



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.



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When it comes to faith, there are some **big questions** that many of us have. Let's take a look them together in the coming weeks.

Here are the questions we'll be digging into...

- Jan 31 Do all religions lead to the same God?
- Feb 4 Does God have a plan for my life?
- Feb 7 Can I believe in both God and science?
- Feb 11 Is everything in the Bible true?

THIS WEEK AT VINJE

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

8:30 AM ELIZABETH CIRCLE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

9:30 AM WORSHIP
10:30 AM ANNUAL MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

12:30 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
1-6 PM BLOODMOBILE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

10:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
2:00 PM RUTH'S CIRCLE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

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 ANNUAL MEETING
6:45 PM HS YOUTH GROUP

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



CELEBRATING FIRST COMMUNION TONIGHT

June Berg, Pearl Berg and Nora Saunders are receiving their first communion tonight. Please join us as we celebrate this important faith milestone in their lives.



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