



**VINJE**

FEBRUARY 23, 2025

9:30 AM

gathering

**PRELUDE**

HOW GREAT THOU ART

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*We come before God...*

*God of mercy,*

**We confess that there are times that our ways conflict with the ways of Jesus. We have placed our wants before the needs of others. We have supported systems that harm rather than heal, and we have been slow to listen to the voices of the oppressed. Forgive us, Lord, for our hardness of heart and our failure to live as you taught us.**

*Jesus' death was the ultimate act of love, forgiveness, and sacrifice. He gave his life so that we might live, offering healing and grace to all. Hear the good news: God forgives you. And God sets you free to follow the ways of justice, mercy, and love.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**SONG**

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

**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**

ISAIAH 1:11-17

*Word of God, Word of Life.***Thanks be to God.****MESSAGE**

LUKE 11:37-54

*WHY DID THEY KILL JESUS?***SONG**

SAME GOD

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****APOSTLES' CREED****PRAYERS****"IF WE ARE TO  
BETTER THE FUTURE,  
WE MUST DISTURB  
THE PRESENT."****(ATHERINE BOOTH  
(CO-FOUNDER OF THE  
SALVATION ARMY))****At Vinje, we believe all  
people are welcome  
at the Lord's Table  
regardless of any  
circumstance.****SONG**

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (GOD WITH US)

**OFFERING PRAYER****WORDS OF INSTITUTION****LORD'S PRAYER****COMMUNION****SONGS**COME JUST AS YOU ARE  
BREATHE ON ME**BLESSING***As you go from this place, remember that the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus call us to live differently—to stand for justice, to love without condition, and to speak truth in the face of lies. May the grace and peace of Christ be with you as you seek to follow him in all that you do. Go now, filled with the courage to challenge what is wrong and bring healing to a broken world, all in the name of Jesus.***Amen****SONG**

LORD MOST HIGH

**DISMISSAL***Vinje is a community where faith and everyday life come together.***Together, we belong, we grow, and we serve.****Thanks be to God.**

## SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

<b>WORSHIP LEADERS</b>	Pastor Justin Ask Lynn Stier
<b>USHERS</b>	Mark Bredeson Kirk Davis
<b>COMMUNION</b>	Craig & Lori Schellberg

<b>LECTOR</b>	Kris Swanson
<b>MUSICIANS</b>	JuBELLation Handbells Worth Saving
<b>SLIDES</b>	Paul & Sue Bredeson
<b>CAMERAS</b>	Paul Nordin

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## 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

Bob Glaesman, Myra Quale,  
Sonja Westre

## LENTEN SERMON SERIES

### WEDNESDAYS:

### ESSENTIAL JESUS

Lent is a season to refocus, reflect, and rediscover what truly matters. This year, we'll explore what's essential about Jesus—the moments in his life and ministry that challenge, comfort, and transform us. Did you know Jesus wasn't always fair? That he loved a good party? That he got angry sometimes?

Join us on Wednesdays for supper beginning at 5 pm, followed by worship at 6 pm. Together, we'll uncover the heart of Jesus in surprising and meaningful ways.

### SUNDAYS: FINAL WORDS

Jesus' words held great power and meaning. Even as he hung on the cross, each of his "final words" revealed deep truths about Jesus, his Father, and ourselves.

This Lenten series invites us to reflect on those final words and the 24 hours that changed the world forever. These were words carefully chosen by Jesus, and they have much to teach us today. Through Jesus' last moments, we'll uncover a message of hope, love, and sacrifice that changed the world—and still changes us.


## 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: 3/9, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 6/1, 6/8, 6/15, 6/22**

## THANK YOU

This week's bulletin and coffee are sponsored by Nancy Groff in celebration of Ray's 82nd birthday today!

**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



## COMMUNION SERVERS NEEDED FOR MARCH AND APRIL SUNDAYS!

Thanks SO much to all of you that answered our plea for January and February communion help! We are now in need of communion servers for the next couple of months! It would be greatly appreciated if you could help us with this important and meaningful part of worship! No experience necessary! Please talk to a pastor after worship or email [melissah@vinjchurch.com](mailto:melissah@vinjchurch.com) if you can help. Thanks so much for considering!



## FAMILY PROMISE MEALS & GROCERIES ARE NEEDED!

### MARCH 3-MARCH 6

Vinje's week to "host" Family Promise is coming up! If you can help shop for and drop off a few grocery items or prepare and deliver a simple meal, it would be very much appreciated! Please head to Vinje's website and find the sign-up link on the "news" page. Call the church office with any questions. Thanks so much for your help with this impactful ministry for our neighbors in need.

VINJE OFFERING →

SCAN TO GIVE



## THIS WEEK AT VINJE

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

- 8:40 AM VINJE CHOIR REHEARSAL
- 9:25 AM KIDS TIME!
- 9:30 AM WORSHIP
- 4:30 PM LAKELAND CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

- 12:30 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
- 5:00 PM LOVING ARMS BOARD MTG
- 7:00 PM CHURCH COUNCIL MTG

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

- 10:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

- 3:30 PM WEDNESDAY LIVE!
- 4:45 PM PRE-K WEDNESDAY LIVE!
- 5:00 PM SUPPER
- 5:25 PM NOVA/SHALOM CHOIR
- 6:00 PM WORSHIP
- 6:00 PM CONFIRMATION
- 6:45 PM HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

### SUNDAY, MARCH 2

- 8:30 AM EARLY CHILDHOOD SUNDAY SCHOOL
- 8:30 AM VINJE CHOIR REHEARSAL
- 9:25 AM KIDS TIME!
- 9:30 AM WORSHIP



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