



MARCH 4, 2026  
6:00 PM

gathering

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*God of grace, we come with honest hearts.*

**We don't have all the answers.**

*We are busy, tired, and pulled in many directions.*

**Sometimes faith feels hard to hold onto.**

*We doubt, we worry, and we fall short.*

**We forget to trust your love.**

*God meets us right where we are. Remember, amidst your doubts and your questions this is the good news: God forgives you and loves you just as you are.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Amen.**

### OFFERING

#### SONG

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (GOD WITH US)

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****HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER**

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**MESSAGE**HAS FAITH BECOME JUST  
ANOTHER FIGHT?**HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER**

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**Faithful Questions  
in a complicated world.**

"Sometimes the first  
step to forgiveness is  
understanding the other  
person is a complete  
idiot."

- Anonymous

**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

**SONGS**

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL NAME

LAMB OF GOD

WE FALL DOWN

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

**HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER** FINAL BLESSING PAGE 9**BLESSING**

*As you go into a complicated world, know that God goes with you when  
life feels full, when questions linger, and when hope feels hard to find.  
Jesus walks beside you, showing you the way of love. The Spirit gives  
you strength for the days ahead. Go in peace. You are not alone.*

Amen.

**SONG**

HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD

**DISMISSAL***Go in peace, serve the Lord.***Thanks be to God.**

## SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

### WORSHIP LEADER

Pastor Dane Skilbred

### VIDEO

Courtney Skilbred

### USHERS

Bella Condon  
Sonja Neal

### SLIDES

Easton Munsterman

### MUSICIANS

Worth Saving  
Ann Trochlil  
Travis Michelson  
Kris Gulbrandsen  
Su Michelson

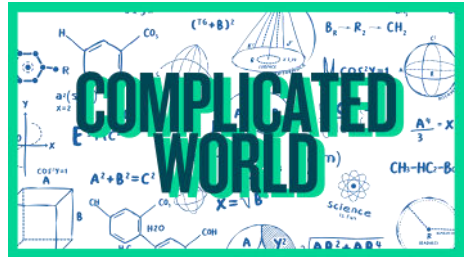
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## Remember in Prayer

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

Mary Mielke, Serenity Erbst,  
Amanda Newberg, Gabe Simon,  
Char Adams



## UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

### WEDNESDAYS: FAITHFUL QUESTIONS

Lent is a season for honest questions. In a world that feels full, divided, and broken, faith can seem outdated, impractical, or even irrelevant. This series creates space to name the doubts many people carry quietly—and to explore how faith, prayer, and the church still speak hope, meaning, and healing into real life.

### SUNDAYS: FAITHFUL ACTIONS

Lent can often feel like a drag, a somber season where we feel bad about ourselves. But what if Lent is meant to help us pause and notice the ways God shows up in the ordinary moments of our lives? This Lent, we'll reflect on learning to live with enough, slowing down to listen for God, and finding courage to own our mistakes. We'll look to open our hearts and make space for God's love to work in us.

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Please call the church office or email [tanyas@vinjchurch.com](mailto:tanyas@vinjchurch.com) if you would like to sponsor the bulletin (\$75), broadcast (\$95), bus (\$60), or coffee (\$40) or all (\$250).

**Sponsors are needed for: 3/22, 3/29, 4/26, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31**

## THANK YOU

This week's bulletin, broadcast, bus and coffee are sponsored by Paul & Sue Bredeson in thanksgiving for all the blessings of family and friends.



## COMMUNION SERVERS NEEDED

We are looking for communion servers for Easter! If you are willing to help out, we'd greatly appreciate it! Please email [melissah@vinjchurch.com](mailto:melissah@vinjchurch.com) if you can help!

## DIRECTORIES HAVE ARRIVED!

The long-awaited directories have arrived! Please help yourself to one directory per family from the table in the entry way. Thank you so much for your patience with this process.



## LOVING ARMS COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER

Loving Arms is selling frozen cookie dough to raise money for new classroom supplies and playground equipment. The sign up form can be found on the welcome desk!



## MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSICAL

**MARCH 5, 6 & 7 | WHS**

This year's Willmar Middle School musical is "Alice in Wonderland." This show, once again, includes some Vinje kids...you won't want to miss it! Tickets can be purchased at [www.willmar.k12.mn.us](http://www.willmar.k12.mn.us).

## THIS WEEK AT VINJE

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

- 3:30 PM WEDNESDAY LIVE!
- 4:30 PM PRE-K WEDNESDAY LIVE!
- 5:00 PM SUPPER—TATER TOT HOTDISH
- 5:25 PM NOVA/SHALOM CHOIR
- 6:00 PM WORSHIP
- 6:45 PM LENTEN MENTORS
- 6:45 PM HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

### SUNDAY, MARCH 8

- 8:45 AM VINJE CHOIR REHEARSAL
- 9:25 AM KIDS TIME
- 9:30 AM WORSHIP

### MONDAY, MARCH 9


- 12:00 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
- 6:15 PM JUBELLATION REHEARSAL

### TUESDAY, MARCH 10

- 10:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11





- 8:30 AM ELIZABETH CIRCLE
- 3:30 PM WEDNESDAY LIVE!
- 4:30 PM PRE-K WEDNESDAY LIVE!
- 5:00 PM SUPPER—PASTA BAR
- 5:25 PM NOVA/SHALOM CHOIR
- 6:00 PM WORSHIP
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**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*



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