



VINJE

APRIL 12, 2026

9:30 AM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let's take a moment to be honest with God and with ourselves...

God of grace,

We admit there are moments in life that could change us—but we often miss them.

Sometimes we are too busy to notice what you're doing.

Sometimes we keep running from things we know we should face.

Sometimes fear keeps us quiet when courage is needed. Sometimes we hold on to anger, hurt, or regret long after it's done us any good.

*And sometimes we convince ourselves that it's too late for us to start again. **Open our eyes to your presence, and lead us into the new life you offer through Jesus.***

*Here is the good news: Jesus still meets us where we are and still changes our lives. In Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Your past does not define you. And today is a new beginning. **Amen.***

HYMN

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

HYMN #504

PRAYER

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

ESTHER 4:12-16

*Word of God, Word of Life.***Thanks be to God.****MESSAGE***THE MOMENT THAT
COURAGE SHOWS UP*

ACTS 4:5-20

HYMN WILL YOU COME AND
FOLLOW ME **HYMN #798****CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****APOSTLES' CREED****PRAYERS****The moments that
change us...**

"All of us have moments in our lives that test our courage. Taking children into a house with a white carpet is one of them."

- Erma Bombeck

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

OFFERING**HYMN** THE CHURCH OF CHRIST IN EVERY AGE **HYMN #729****OFFERING PRAYER****WORDS OF INSTITUTION****LORD'S PRAYER****COMMUNION****HYMNS** YOU SATISFY THE HUNGRY HEART **HYMN #484**
WE COME TO THE HUNGRY FEAST **HYMN #479****BLESSING**

*Go into the week paying attention
because God often shows up in small moments.*

*As you go remember: the risen Christ walks with you, the Spirit gives you
courage, and God's mercy makes new beginnings possible.*

God bless you and keep you, now and always.

Amen.**HYMN** SENT FORTH BY GOD'S BLESSING **HYMN #547****DISMISSAL**

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

PREACHING Pastor Dane Skilbred

USHERS Mark Bredeson
Kirk Davis

LECTOR Phyllis Stageberg

MUSICIAN Carol Parker

CAMERAS Anthony Buzzeo

SLIDES Paul & Sue Bredeson

COMMUNION Jennifer Garberding
Madison Garberding

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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

Serenity Erbst, Gabe Simon,
Sid Smith, Amanda Newberg

BEREAVED

Family and friends of Naida Carlson following her death on April 4.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Please call the church office or email 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:

5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 6/7, 6/14, 6/21, 6/28, 7/5, 7/12, 7/19, 7/26, 8/2

THANK YOU

Today's bulletin, broadcast, bus and coffee are sponsored by Michael and Kathy Reishus in celebration of their 59th wedding anniversary.

SUMMER DAYCAMP

JULY 13-16
SHORES OF ST ANDREW



Students who have completed Kindergarten-5th grade in spring 2026 are invited to join us for some summer fun at Shores! We'll meet at Vinje each morning and will take the bus together for fun days full of singing, playing, crafting and learning! Find the registration link on our website!

CEMETERY CLEAN-UP

WED, APRIL 15 | 5:15 PM

It's time for the annual Vinje Cemetery Clean-up day. If you're able, bring a rake and join us! Pizza provided! In case of rain, it will be rescheduled to April 22nd.



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

MOMENTS

that change us.

SUNDAY SERMON SERIES: THE MOMENTS THAT CHANGE US

Most of us can name moments that changed us: a conversation, a mistake, a realization, a decision. The Bible is full of those moments, too. This season after Easter, we will explore the stories of everyday people being changed by the good news of Jesus, who lived, died, and rose again, and changed the world.



WEDNESDAY SERMON SERIES: THEY ARE LIKE US

Join us for Wednesdays after Easter for a series about the ordinary people Jesus meets who are just like us. From doubters and skeptics to failures, enemies, and the quietly faithful, each week reminds us that faith isn't about having it all together, it's about showing up and letting Jesus meet us right where we are. After all, God keeps changing the world through ordinary people like us.

THIS WEEK AT VINJE

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

9:25 AM SUNDAY KIDS' TIME
9:30 AM WORSHIP
2:00 PM VOCAL RECITAL: STUDENTS OF CHERYL SCHMIDT

MONDAY, APRIL 13

12:00 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

10:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

6:30 PM BLUE STAR MOTHERS

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

11:00 AM FUNERAL: NAIDA CARLSON

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

8:40 AM VINJE CHOIR REHEARSAL
9:25 AM SUNDAY KIDS' TIME
9:30 AM WORSHIP
10:30 AM BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: KARLA TINKLENBERG

VOCAL RECITAL

SUNDAY, APRIL 12 | 2 PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL

You are invite to a Vocal Recital by the students of Cheryl Schmidt featuring songs from Disney Movies! All are welcome!



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