



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose mercy is new every morning, whose love never fails, and whose heart is always turned toward us. Amen.

... Merciful God,

we confess that we have too often misunderstood who you are. We imagine you are disappointed when you are compassionate, distant when you are near, and reluctant to forgive when your mercy knows no end. We carry guilt that you have already forgiven and burdens you have invited us to place in your hands. Forgive us for believing fear instead of grace and judgment instead of mercy. Open our eyes to see Jesus as he truly is: gentle and humble in heart, abounding in mercy, and rich in steadfast love.

Hear the good news. Jesus does not turn away those who come to him. He meets sinners with mercy, the weary with rest, the broken with compassion, and the fearful with hope. In Christ your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved child, held securely in grace today and always. Amen.

SONG

EVERLASTING GOD

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

PSALM 103:3-13

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

JOHN 14:6-14

SONG ABIDE**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****BAPTISM** JAKE THOMAS**PRAYERS**

"DESPITE OUR EARNEST
EFFORTS, WE COULDN'T
CLIMB ALL THE WAY UP TO
GOD. SO WHAT DID GOD DO?
IN AN AMAZING ACTS OF
CONDESCENSION, ON GOOD
FRIDAY, GOD CLIMBED DOWN
TO US, BECAME ONE
WITH US."
- WILL WILLIMON

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

OFFERING**SONG** IN CHRIST ALONE**OFFERING PRAYER****WORDS OF INSTITUTION****LORD'S PRAYER****COMMUNION**

SONGS WONDERFUL, MERCIFUL SAVIOR
WHO YOU SAY I AM

BLESSING*Go into the world knowing who Jesus really is.**He is gentle with the weary.**He is near to the brokenhearted.**He welcomes the sinner.**He prays for his people.**He reveals the Father's heart.**And he never stops loving you.*

*May the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, remain
with you now and forever.*

Amen.**SONG** JESUS MESSIAH**DISMISSAL***Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.***Thanks be to God.**

SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

PREACHING	Pastor Dane Skilbred	COMMUNION	Jodi Backes
PRESIDING	Pastor Andrés Albertsen		Richard Riemer
USHERS	Mark Bredeson Kirk Davis	MUSICIANS	Worth Saving
		VIDEO	Paul Nordin
LECTOR	Carol Schmiesing	SLIDES	Paul & Sue Bredeson

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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, Bill Butterfield, Dave Stageberg

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Jake Thomas Saunders, son of Alec and Emily Saunders. Jake’s baptismal sponsors are Ben & Kendra Saunders, Lindsey & AJ Meyer and Addy & Cameron Cropsey.

SUNDAY COMMUNION SERVERS NEEDED

We are in need of communion servers! We’d greatly appreciate if you’d consider signing up to for a week or two! Scan here for a list of open dates. Thanks!



God’s work. Our hands.

GOD’S WORK, OUR HANDS SUNDAY

Join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship today for our annual God’s Work, Our Hands service project day! We’ll complete a few quick projects that will benefit our community and church family!

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:
10/11, 11/1, 11/8, 11/22, 11/25

THANK YOU

Today’s bulletin, broadcast, bus & coffee are sponsored by the Hinderaker family in thanksgiving for Pastor Mary Hovland’s many years of service to the Willmar Community.



ability.
age.
ethnicity.
race.
gender identity.
sexual orientation.
language.
life circumstances.
all.

AT VINJE LUTHERAN CHURCH,
**ALL ARE WELCOME, BECAUSE
GOD WELCOMES ALL.** YOU
ARE WELCOME. YOUR
FRIENDS, CHILDREN,
SPOUSES AND PARTNERS ARE
ALL WELCOME. YOUR
DIVERSITY, IDEAS, QUESTIONS,
AND UNIQUENESS ARE ALL
WELCOME.

SUNDAY SERMON SERIES

Today, we begin our sermon series exploring the heart of Jesus through Scripture. Together we'll discover not only what Jesus has done for us, but who he truly is and what his heart is like toward those who are weary, broken, and searching for hope.



beyond death

WEDNESDAY SERMON SERIES

Death is one of life's greatest mysteries; and one of its greatest fears. What really happens when we die? Is heaven our final destination? What about hell? Why do Christians still grieve? And what does any of this mean for how we live today?

In Beyond Death, we'll explore what scripture says about death, resurrection, eternity, judgment, and the renewal of creation. Rather than speculation, we'll discover the Christian hope that is rooted in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Because Jesus lives, death does not have the final word.

TREATS NEEDED

WEDNESDAYS | SEPT-MAY

We're once again looking for bakers (or buyers!) to help us out with desserts for our weekly Wednesday meals! We welcome cookies, bars, cakes...or whatever you'd like to surprise us with. Treats can be dropped off in the church office at your convenience.

THIS WEEK AT VINJE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

9:25 AM SUNDAY KIDS' TIME
9:30 AM WORSHIP

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

12:00 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

10:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

6:00 PM AIM-PEOPLE FIRST
6:30 PM BLUE STAR MOTHERS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9AM-3PM RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

8:40 AM VINJE CHOIR REHEARSAL
9:25 AM SUNDAY KIDS' TIME
9:30 AM WORSHIP



Vinje Choir will begin rehearsing on September 20th at 8:40 am and will Sing for worship on October 4th. We'd love for you to join us! Show up on the 20th or contact the church office if you'd like more info!



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