



now

FAITH

IS THE ASSURANCE
of things hoped for,
THE CONVICTION
of things not seen.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2019 | THE SEASON OF PENTECOST | 9:30 AM

GATHERING

Hymn Sing

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Lord, we confess that we have often been unfaithful, full of doubt, choosing despair over hope.

We have not followed in the footsteps of your faithful followers of the past. We have not trusted in your promises for us today.

We have neglected your call to love others as you love us. We have neglected your call to show hospitality to everyone.

We have closed our doors to strangers. We have closed our hearts in fear. We have chosen our own safety and security over loving our neighbors as ourselves.

Lord, even though we have been unfaithful, remind us you are still faithful to us.

Give us the courage to run the race you have set before us, that we might know your goodness and life.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. God has given us a Son who has done for us what we cannot do on our own. Hear God's greatest promise and gift for you: In Jesus Christ +, your sins are forgiven, your life is made new. Now be the person God made you to be.

Amen.

Thanks be to God!

* Gathering Hymn

God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

Hymnal #771

* Greeting

* Prayer of the Day

Lord, we don't always see you at work in our world, but our faith is the conviction of things that cannot be seen. When we struggle in our faith, help us to believe in you again, and to trust in the promise that you will be with us always, until the end of time. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

**please stand*

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE.

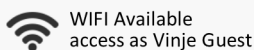
Welcome to Worship at Vinje Lutheran Church! There are cards in the pews available for prayer requests, visitor information, or creative doodling during worship.

Hearing devices are available at the sound booth at the back of the sanctuary. Ask an usher for assistance.

A note to parents of young children: Relax! We are glad to have you and your children with us. Children are always welcome in worship! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress those wiggles in our worship. We realize there are times that children need a break, and you may need a distraction or two for your child. For that reason there are areas outside of each sanctuary entrance with books, activity bags, and play areas so that your kids can have something to engage them and you can still be engaged in worship. Again, know that we are grateful you and your children are here, just as you are!

SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

Altar Care Dave and Deb Habbena
Assisting Minister
Tim Ostby
Lector Jean Geselius
Communion Servers
Marlyn and Lorna Bahl
Communion Assistant Torri Muzik
Greeters Ardy Westhoff, Bev Falk
Ushers Mark and Vickie Thompson, Ray and Nancy Groff
Organist Tim Burns
Welcome Desk Betty Dubrosky
Video Paul and Sue Bredeson



WORD

Scripture Reading
Word of God, Word of Life.

Genesis 15:1-6

Bible pg. 10

Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

* **Gospel Acclamation**

Halle, Halle Hallelujah

Hymnal #172

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

* **Scripture Reading**
Word of God, Word of Life.

Hebrews 11:1, 8-12

Bible pg. 977

Thanks be to God.

Message

* **Hymn of the Day**

Have No Fear Little Flock

Hymnal #764

* **Apostles' Creed**

Hymnal pg. 105

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

* **Prayers**

* **Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

Offering

Offertory Hymn

We Walk by Faith

Hymnal #635

* **Offertory**

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Hymnal #185

* **Offering Prayer**

Gracious God, we trust that all that we have is a gracious gift from you: our possessions, our time, our lives, and even our faith. Today, we return to you what is yours, trusting that you can and will use our gifts to bless this world you love. All this we pray in Jesus' name.

Amen.

* **Words of Institution**

**please stand*

*** Lord's Prayer**

Hymnal pg. 134

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.

Lamb of God

Hymnal pg. 174

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

- | | | |
|------|-------------------|-------------|
| Hymn | Come to the Table | Hymnal #481 |
| Hymn | Blessed Assurance | Hymnal #638 |
| Hymn | Amazing Grace | Hymnal #779 |

Table Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Lord, we know that in days long ago you spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways. But today, you have spoken to us through the gift of your Son, given to us in bread and wine. May the life and love that has been shared at this table be embodied in each of us, as we give our lives and our love away for the world. All this we pray, in Jesus' name.
Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

*** Benediction**

May you go out into the world to run the race that God has set before you. May you love God and love your neighbors as yourself.

And may you go knowing, that the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are with you now and always.

Amen.

- | | | |
|----------------|----------------------|-------------|
| * Sending Hymn | The Church of Christ | Hymnal #729 |
|----------------|----------------------|-------------|

*** Dismissal**

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION

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

White grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available (please request from the server).

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that every month, we print and mail out 509 copies of "The Witness," our monthly newsletter, to keep you informed about what God is up to here at Vinje. A group of volunteers fold and seal each one. In total, more than 160 volunteer hours are spent on this task each year. We are grateful for these women for their faithful witness to share God's love with all of us month in and month out.

VINJE STAFF

Pastors

Justin Ask
Dane Skillbred

Visitation Pastor

Gary Mikkelsen

Office Manager

Janet White

Ministry Associate

Melissa Hansen

Director of Music

Karen Wojahn

Communications Director

Sara Bos

Custodian

Ron Nordby

Loving Arms Child Care Center

Chris Stark, Director

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Please call the church office if you would like to sponsor the Bulletin (\$60) the Radio Broadcast (\$95) or the Sunday Bus (\$62). Or sponsor all three for \$200.

The following upcoming dates are available:

- Bulletin: 8/25, 9/1, 9/8, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20
- Broadcast: 8/18, 8/25, 9/8, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20
- Bus: 8/18, 8/25, 9/1, 9/8, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20

THANK YOU

This week's bulletin, broadcast and bus are sponsored in memory of Corby and Mary Newman.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Brenda Reynolds, Barb Eilers, Mary Rinke, Betty Melbye, Mary Mielke, Bob Hieronimus



SUMMER MOVIE: PHILOMENA

WED, AUGUST 14 | 1 PM | VINJE THEATER

What better way to spend a hot summer day than in a cool movie theatre. And this summer Vinje has you covered. Of course no movie would be the same without popcorn and we've got that covered! Bring a beverage and join us!

AUGUST SERMON SERIES



We have officially wrapped up our walk through the Bible for the year. Thank you for joining us on our journey through the Bible called "It's About Time." For the month of August, your pastors will be preaching a mini-series from the book of Hebrews. We'll focus on the theme of how the faith of our ancestors affects our faith today, and how God is still speaking to us in our everyday lives as we seek to share God's love with the world. Whether you come one Sunday, or all four, we hope you hear something new about God's faithfulness and grace that has been with us and will continue to be with us forever.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

SUNDAY, SEPT 8 | 9:30 AM-12 PM
GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

We'll kick off the school year by working together on a service project here at Vinje. The service project will be family friendly and a great opportunity for people of all ages!

SUNDAY, SEPT 15 | 8:30 AM | SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS!

Pre-K through 5th grade kids will gather to celebrate the start of another fun year of Sunday School!

PLEASE JOIN OUR

POP-UP
CHOIR

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

REHEARSE: 8:30 - 9:10 AM | SING FOR WORSHIP: 9:30 AM

VINJE CHOIR ROOM

A FUN OPPORTUNITY FOR SINGERS AGES 9 - 99
TO MEET THE NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
AND PREPARE MUSIC FOR WORSHIP THAT MORNING!

NO PRE-REGISTRATION
OR PREVIOUS CHOIR EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

FAMILIES/CHILDREN WELCOME! MULTI-GENERATIONAL.

THIS WEEK AT VINJE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

9:30 AM WORSHIP

MONDAY, AUGUST 12

5:15 PM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13

9:15 AM LOVING ARMS CHAPEL TIME
10:30 AM PASTORS TEXT STUDY
1:00 PM STAFF MEETING
2:00 PM CONGREGATIONAL CARE COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

1:00 PM MOVIE: VINJE THEATER-PHILOMENA

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

11:00 AM SUE TORGERSON FUNERAL
3:00 PM BRIDAL SHOWER FOR ALEXIS GOESER

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

9:30 AM WORSHIP

LIFE CIRCUMSTANCES ability AGE ethnicity RACE gender identity
LANGUAGE sexual orientation

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.