

DECEMBER 1, 2024

9:30 AM

gathering

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

God knows everything about us—our hearts, our hopes, and even our hidden thoughts. In this season that is filled with distractions of many kinds, let us confess the ways that we have fallen short of God's desires for our lives.

God, sometimes we take the easy road and miss the opportunities we have to worship you, to give to others, to love as you love. Forgive us for the trivial ways we celebrate your birth, for the ways we reduce your presence with us to careless spending and diversions. May we be different this year and hold nothing back from what you desire from us.

God, who is always with us, has shown us the greatest gift of love through Jesus Christ. In his love, you are forgiven—completely, unconditionally, and forever surrounded by God's presence. Rejoice and live in the freedom of his grace and the hope of his coming into the world.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN HARK, THE GLAD SOUND!

HYMN #239

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

HYMN COME, THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS (VS 1) HYMN #254

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!

word

SCRIPTURE READING

PSALM 150

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

PASTOR DANE SKILBRED

LUKE 1:26-45

HYMN

HE CAME DOWN

HYMN #253

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS



**"WORSHIP IS A WAY
OF SEEING THE
WORLD IN THE
LIGHT OF GOD."**

- ABRAHAM JOSHUA HESCHEL

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

meal

ANTHEM

CREATION WILL BE AT PEACE

OFFERING PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION

HYMNS

LO, HOW A ROSE E'ER BLOOMING

HYMN #272

LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE

HYMN #490

sending

BLESSING

May starlight lead you toward this place of wonder.

May you hear the angels' songs as you make your way to the manger.

May hope fill these days as we wait for the birth of Christ.

And may your faith remind you that Emmanuel—God with us—is coming soon.

Amen

HYMN

PEOPLE, LOOK EAST

HYMN #248

DISMISSAL

Vinje is a community where faith and everyday life come together.

Together, we belong, we grow, and we serve.

SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

PASTOR	Dane Skilbred	LECTOR	Ron Carlson
USHERS	Mark Bredeson Kirk Davis	MUSICIANS	Tim Burns Vinje Choir
COMMUNION	Lynn Peterson Jeff Holtkamp	SLIDES	Peggy Karsten
		CAMERAS	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

Linda Saunders, Bob Glaseman,
Bea Heitke

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Trevor Hansen, Troy Pfilbsen,
Dana Nelson, Virginia Larson,
Sally Peterson

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 12/15, 12/29, 1/12, 1/19, 1/26, 2/2, 2/9


THANK YOU

This week's bulletin, broadcast, bus and coffee are sponsored by Rick and Lisa Schueler and family, Dean and Laura Anfinson and family and Lisa Anfinson in honor of their parents, Dennis and Maxine Anfinson's 60th wedding anniversary on November 27th.



SOLAR LIGHT ASSEMBLY

Thanks to the generous contributions, we have raised funds for 100 lights to ship to Ukraine. Putting the parts together is not complicated We now need volunteers to assemble and get ready to ship. Come join other community volunteers on Tuesday, Dec 3, at 6:30 at Vinje.

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

VINJE OFFERING →

SCAN TO GIVE





LIGHT OF CHRISTMAS

Please consider making a Light of Christmas donation (using the form in your bulletin). Contributions can be placed in the offering plate or mailed or delivered to the church office by December 16th.

Contributions can also be made online (by the 16th...be sure to include "Light of Christmas" in the notes and submit a paper form notifying us of your online payment. *Requests for assistance with gifts have been great this year, so your contributions are needed and very much appreciated.* Thank you!



THIS WEEK AT VINJE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

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

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

- 12:30 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
- 6:15 PM JUBELLATION

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3

- 9:00 AM TOPS MEETING
- 10:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
- 2:00 PM RUTH CIRCLE
- 6:30 PM SOLAR LIGHT ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4

- 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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

- 1:0 PM RED CROSS BLOOD MOBILE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

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



BLOOD DRIVE

THURS, DEC 5 | 1-6 PM

The Red Cross Blood Drive will be at Vinje this week! Every donor receives a fun pair of socks! Can you find an extra 30 minute in your day to save a life or two? Sign up today at redcrossblood.org.

SOUTH DOOR UPDATE

The "kitchen door" will now be kept locked at all times for security purposes. The church is open Monday through Thursdays from 8:30 am to 3 pm. Please enter through the front (main) doors. Thanks so much for your help and understanding!



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God's work. Our hands.



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