



You(th) News

FORGETTABLE FACTS:

Bluebirds cannot see the color BLUE!

POTENT QUOTABLES:

Two roads diverged in a wood, and I... I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference.

~ Robert Frost

Reflect upon your blessings, of which every man has plenty, not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some. ~ Charles Dickens

Uh, THAT'S FUNNY?:

Lead me not into temptation, (I can find the way by myself).

YOUTH! Read the SMALL PRINT!

Are you reading the newsletter? Answer this question, give your answer to Laura for a chance to win a prize...Ready...PARENTS NO CHEATING!!! *What bobble head does Laura have on her desk?*

Where do I find...

Looking at trying to keep up to date with what's happening for the YOUTH and their families here at Vinje?

Check us out at www.vinjeyouth.org (Our own website with information, forms, calendar, pictures, and more!) You can even sign up for email notifications on events!

Do you Facebook? Join the Vinje Youth group on Facebook! Joining us on the mission trip to Florida? Join the Vinje Mission Trip group as well!! Want to pick up a form or information in person? Stop in at Vinje, visit the box outside Laura's office to pick up information for upcoming events. Would you like to be notified of events via texts? Send a text with your name & cell phone carrier to 320.295.9988 to be added to the texting list! Want a quick answer to a question? Email, Call or Text Laura! youth@vinjchurch.com, [320.295.9988](tel:320.295.9988)

Spring Cleaning? Save the Treasures!

Vinje youth will host their 2nd annual RUMMAGE SALE Friday June 18th from 7am-6pm. All proceeds made will go towards youth trips and activities!

Quality donations can be brought to church

NO EARLIER than JUNE 1st and

NO LATER than 4pm June 17th!!

If you need assistance hauling any items please contact

Laura at 235.1441 to make arrangements!

All remaining quality items will be

donated to various agencies.

!!!GET READY TO RUMMAGE!!!

WNL SCHEDULING

MAY 5- THE LAST; Hangtime: 5-7:25pm

Small group: 7:25-8pm; Large group: 8-8:30pm

MAY 15-16: 8/9 Confirmation Retreat

Hog Roast Fun Needed!!

Come help us plan, set up and play a day away with heaps of carnival games! Planning meeting will be following WNL May 5th, in the youth room at 8:35pm! See you there!

Looking to get

Involved?

Join the Vinje Youth Board, for both young and old alike come make a difference for all! Join us at our next meeting, May 18th, 7pm in the Youth Room!

MAY 15-16- 8/9 Retreat

MAY 23- Hog Roast

MAY 30- Grad Recognition Sunday

JUNE 5: Valleyfair!

JUNE 18: Youth Rummage Sale

JULY 15-17- SONSHINE-order your tickets now!

JULY 18/19- SIMUL in the City, Youth Gathering

JULY 25-30 MISSION TRIP TO FLORIDA

MORE TO COME, so CHECK THE WEBSITE!

We're Spring Cleaning!!

Dreamed of owning a Vinje Youth T-shirt? Limited sizes and styles available, first come! T-shirts-\$7, Long-Sleeves- \$10, Hoodies-\$15



RETREAT

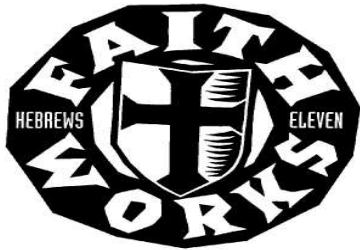


Retreating We Will Go, Will You?

October 15 & 16 the 10th grade Confirmation group will be traveling to Shores of St. Andrew for their final Confirmation retreat. On this retreat these young men and women will articulate their faith and what it is they believe, not to mention have a little fun doing so. We are looking for adults to join us on this retreat as adult sponsors. If you are interested and would like more information, talk to Laura today!

Do You Have Heartburn? Calling ALL 7-9th Graders!

Come and calm that burning desire to go deeper, and to serve more! Join me on the 2nd/4th Sundays (October 12 & 26) 7-8:30pm in the youth room to explore more!
Invite a friend! Don't be shy!



Live Out Loud, 10-12 Graders

Want something more? Tired of mediocrity? Get off your bum and do something. Join us 1st/3rd Mondays (October 5 & 19) 7-8:30pm @ Vinje. Invite a friend, come by yourself. Just do something!

Forgive as Forgiven

"Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you." Colossians 3:13

Do you think of yourself as a forgiven person? I'm not asking if you believe God has forgiven all of your sins. I know you believe that if you're a Christian. I mean, do you tend to think of yourself as someone who has been forgiven for great and terrible sin?

I'm asking because those of us who became Christians as kids -- and never got around to rebelling in any obvious, public way by trying out some of the "big sins" -- we can have a hard time really thinking of ourselves as sinners. What have we done that's so wrong, after all?

That thinking is a problem. Every sin is an offense against the character of our Father, reason enough for us to go to hell, and for Jesus to die on the cross. Our pride is no better than sexual immorality, fits of rage, or public drunkenness.

Here's the other problem: If you don't think of yourself as a forgiven person, it's much harder to forgive others. And when you do, you think of it as a big favor instead of seeing it as the least and most obvious thing you could do as someone who has been forgiven for a stinking, seething mountain of ugly sin.

Think: On a scale from 1 to 10, how often are you aware that God has forgiven you for great sins you were helpless to pay for yourself? How hard is it for you to forgive others? Do you see a connection between those two things?

Pray: Ask God to help you to bear with others and forgive everyone just as God has forgiven you.

Do: Read Matthew 18:21-35 to hear a story Jesus told about a guy who refused to forgive a small debt after he'd been forgiven for a big one.