VASHON LUTHERAN CHURCH

WE INVITE YOU TO BRING YOUR OWN SPIRITUAL JOURNEY TO WORSHIP WITH US.

NO PART OF YOU NEEDS TO BE LEFT AT THE DOOR.

GOD'S LOVE IS INCLUSIVE, EVER ABUNDANT, AND MEANT TO BE EXPRESSED THROUGH OUR ACTIONS IN THE WORLD.

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!



Vashon Lutheran Church Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 14, 2024, 10:30 AM

When Amos reports his vision of God judging Israel for its mistreatment of the poor, he becomes a threat to the power of the priests and the king. John the Baptist also speaks truth to power, and Herod has him killed. In Herod's fear that Jesus is John returned from the dead, we may hear hope for the oppressed: all the prophets killed through the ages are alive in Jesus. We are called to witness to justice in company with them, and to proclaim God's saving love.

PRELUDE Dinah Helgeson

CANDLELIGHTING Frank Ericksen, Acolyte

GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS Patte Wagner, Lay Leader

Congregation stands as able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Rev. John Michael Barich

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. (Silence for reflection) God our provider,

C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, # the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn (next page):

ELW, #807

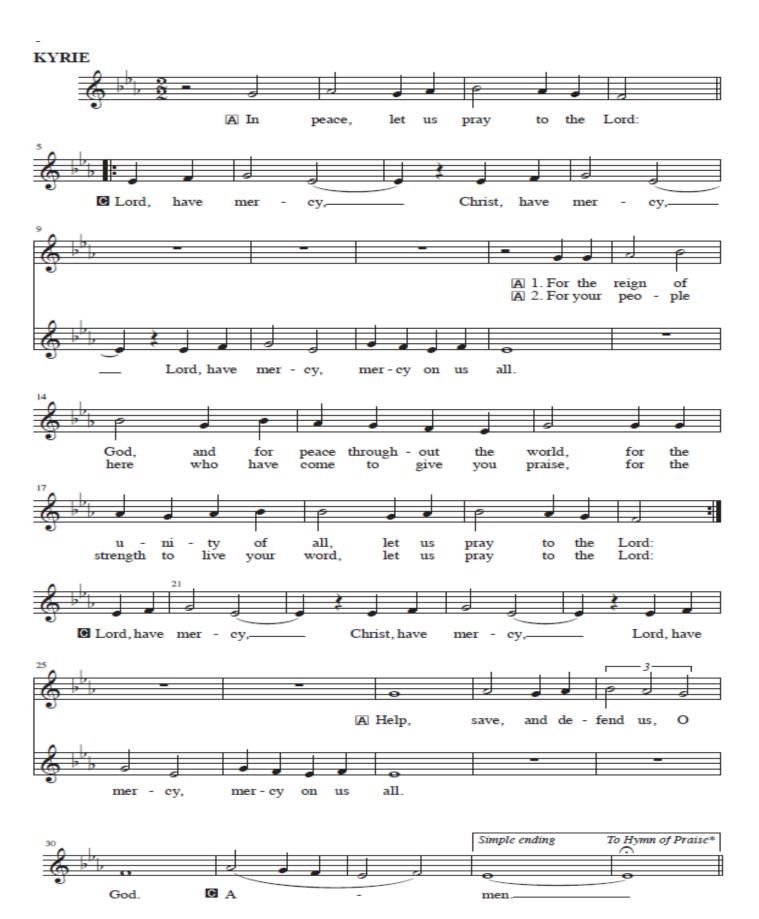
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



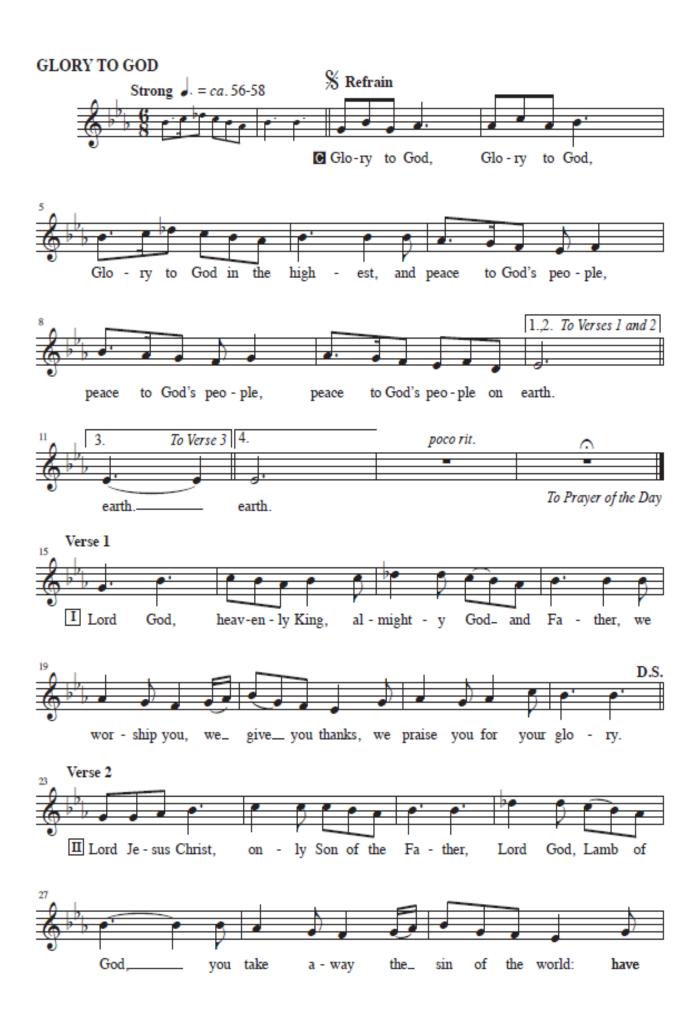
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P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all. **C: And also with you.**

KYRIE: fr. "Tree of Life", Pew Edition, by M. Haugen Rev. Dr. Joe and Dianne Kutzke, Cantors



HYMN OF PRAISE (next page): from "Tree of Life", by M. Haugen Rev. Dr. Joe and Dianne Kutzke, Cantors on Verses





PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: Let us pray. O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** Please be seated

FIRST READING: Amos 7:7-15

Nancy Lee Spears, Lector (L)

Lector: A reading from Amos, Chapter 7.

L: This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"

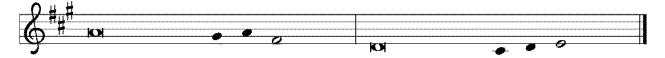
And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a

temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'" The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 85:8-13

Rev. Dr. Joe and Dianne Kutzke, Cantors



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I will listen to what the LORD God is saying;

*for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

Truly, your salvation is very near to | those who fear you,

*that your glory may dwell | in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness have | met together;

*righteousness and peace have | kissed each other.

Faithfulness shall spring up | from the earth,

*and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness shall go be- fore the LORD *and shall prepare for God a pathway.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-14

Nancy Lee Spears, Lector

L: A reading from **Ephesians 1**, Chapter 3.

L: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. Word of God, word of life. C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Mark 6:14 – 29

Rev. John Michael Barich

P: The holy gospel according to Mark. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

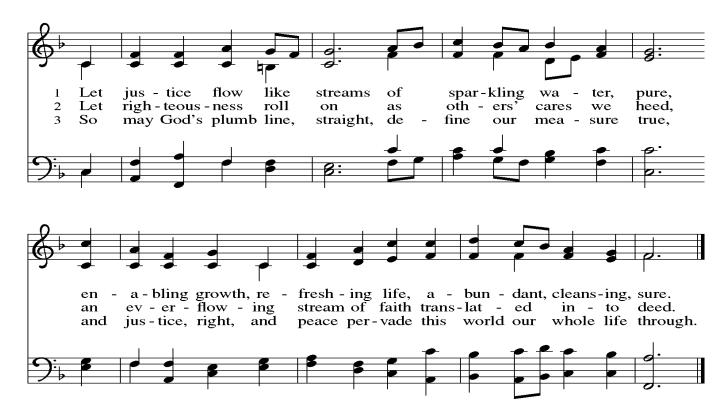
P: The gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Congregation may be seated

MESSAGE:

Rev. John Michael Barich

Let Justice Flow like Streams



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APOSTLES' CREED:

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. <u>Be seated</u>

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

June Langland, Assisting Minister (A)

A: One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

A: You gather your people into the body of Christ. Where your church is wounded, heal it. Where it is right, strengthen it. Where it is divided, reunite it. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A: From before the foundation of the world, you are God. Revive ecosystems destroyed by human greed. Curb our desire to put wealth ahead of the health of all who call this planet home. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A: You establish equity and make justice. Within every nation, tribe, and land, cause laws to be written and customs to be observed that protect the most vulnerable.

In your mercy, hear our prayer.

A: On the cross your beloved Son endured pain and death. Bring healing to those in need, hope to any in despair, and comfort to the dying. We lift up all those in need, either silently or aloud... In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A: You send your Spirit into this community of faith. Empower our ministries that serve and build up local communities. Nurture our partnerships with other community organizations. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A: All peoples praise you, O God. We give you thanks and praise for the lives of our loved ones who now rest in you. In the fullness of time gather us with all your saints in light. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. C: And also with you.

P: (At the end of passing of the peace) Now is the time for the sharing of our gifts to God.

OFFERING/OFFERTORY RESPONSE:

ELW, #465



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OFFERING PRAYER:

P: Let us pray.

C: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen. Please stand

The Great Thanksgiving (next pg): "Tree of Life", p. 18, 20, by M. Haugen Rev. J. M Barich, Cantor

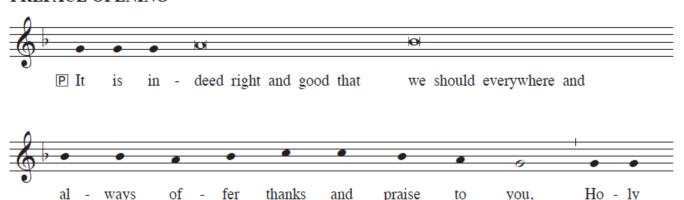
The GREAT THANKSGIVING







PREFACE OPENING





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PROPER PREFACE (next page):

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P ... who on this day broke the bonds of death, opening to us the way of ever-last-ing life



and giving us a foretaste of the feast to come. And so with the Church on earth and the



hosts of heav-en, we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn.

HOLY, HOLY



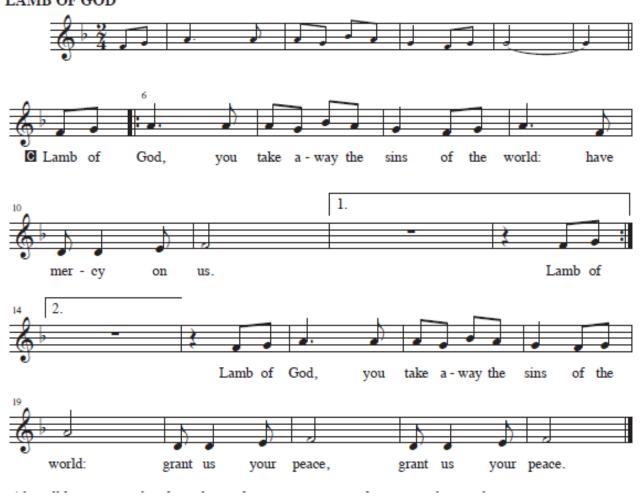
WORDS OF INSTITUTION/LORD'S PRAYER/COMMUNION:

- P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.
- P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

P: **Invitation to Communion**: This is the table, not of this church, but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love him and those who want to love him more. So come, you who have much faith, and you who have little; come, you who have been here often and you who have not been here in a long time. Come, you who have never been before; come, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because the church invites you; this is Christ, and he invites you to meet him right here.

Communion Hymn #1: "Lamb of God", from "Tree of Life", Pew Edition, p. 17, by M. Haugen LAMB OF GOD



Communion Hymn #2: ELW, #474

Bread of Life from Heaven



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P: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever. **C: Amen.**Congregation stands as able

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

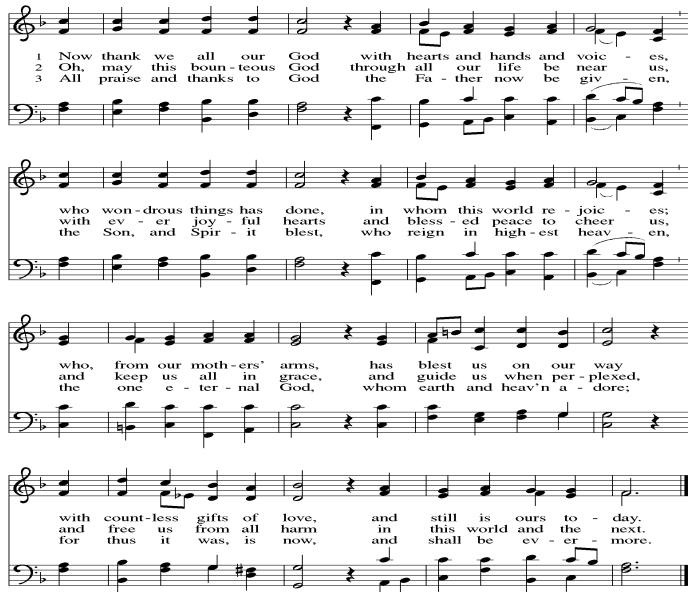
P: Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **C: Amen.**

BLESSING:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and # give you peace. **C: Amen**

Sending Song: ELW, #840

Now Thank We All Our God



Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878 Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

DISMISSAL: P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Dinah Helgeson

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Worship Assistants This Morning: Worship Assistants Next Week (7/21/24):

Care Pastor – Rev. John Michael Barich

Worship Assistants Next Week (7/21/24):

NO WORSHIP AT VLC DUE TO FESTIVAL

Assisting Minister – June Langland Assisting Minister –

Lector – Nancy Lee Spears Lector –

Communion Assistant - Gail Larson Communion Assistant -

Usher – Jim Dam

Usher –

Musician – Dinah Helgeson

Cantors – Joe & Dianne Kutzke, Rev. J. M. Barich

Cantors –

Communion Set Up – Gail Larson Communion Set Up –

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Thank you, Rev. John Michael Barich</u> for your participation in worship today at VLC! <u>Sunday AM Bible Study, 9:45 – 10:15 AM, is led by Rev. John Michael Barich. All are welcome.</u>

NO WORSHIP AT VLC, SUNDAY, JULY 21, DUE TO STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL & CAR PARADE.

<u>Ladies Tea, Weds., July 24th, 2:00 PM – at Vashon Lutheran</u> - Please bring a tea cup and a small plate of either sweet or savory finger food. Please let either Patte Wagner or June Langland know you are coming, so there will be enough places set. If you have questions, please call June at 206-463-5850.

Contact Gail Larson (206/567-4779) with your prayer requests.

<u>IFCH Dinner Program</u> - VLC provides hand out meals at Vashon Presbyterian Church at 5:00 PM the fourth Thurs. of the month. Contact Chery Weise: <u>cheryl.weise@gmail.com</u> to help.

<u>The Care Closet</u>, Medical Equipment/Supplies – 206-473-8715. <u>Vashon Care Network</u> – 206-473-8715. Email: contact@vashoncarenetwork.org; website: www.vashoncarenetwork.org

<u>VCN FAMILY CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP</u> - Vashon Care Network invites you to join other family caregivers in a safe, supportive space to share the experience of caregiving. Thursdays, 6:30–7:30 PM at VLC. ?? Call Kathy Shafel, <u>kshafel@comcast.net</u>, cell: 206.718-1458 or Tory Hayes, 206.304-4544, victoriansmith@comcast.net.

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY

1st Food Bank Sunday 9:45 – 10:15 AM Bible Study w/ Rev. John Michael Barich 10:30 AM Worship Service, followed by coffee & cookies

6:30 – 8:30 PM AA Group

MONDAY

10:00 AM Intercessory Prayer Group 4th, 6:00 – 8:00 PM VCN Board Meeting

TUESDAY

2nd, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

3rd, 10:00 AM – noon

July 16, 5:00 PM

Quilt Sewers Group

Vashon Quilting Group

VLC Council Meeting via ZOOM

WEDNESDAY

1st, 9:00 AM – noon

Lutheran Quilters Group

July 24, 2:00 PM

Ladies Tea at VLC

THURSDAY 6:30-7:30 PM July 25, 5:00 pm

FRIDAY 7:00 – 8:30 PM

VCN Family Caregivers Support Group at VLC IFCH Dinner, prepared by VLC, served at VPC

AA Group for Men



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Hymns for July 14, 2024

ELW, 807	Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
ELW, 717	Let Justice Flow Like Streams
ELW 465	As the Grains of Wheat

ELW. 474	Bread of Life from Heaven