

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
Third Sunday of Easter
April 14, 2024

The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Sunday. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, the two main elements of our Sunday worship.

PRELUDE

Dinah Helgeson

CANDLELIGHTING

Frank Ericksen, Acolyte

GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Patte Wagner, Lay Leader

Congregation stands as able

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Rev. John Michael Barich

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: Immersed in the promises of baptism,

let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.

Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts,
giving all honor and praise to you,
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Gathering Hymn (next page):

ELW, #361, vs. 1, 3- 4

The Day of Resurrection!

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth its song be - gin,
 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, all praise to Christ the Son,

the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,
 the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.
 all praise to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One!

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,
 and lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things, seen and un - seen, their notes of glad - ness blend;
 Let all the ran - somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,

our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the glad re - frain.
 for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end!
 and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone!

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
 Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

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



[A] In peace, let us pray to the Lord:



Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy.



[A] 1. For the reign of
[A] 2. For your peo - ple



Lord, have mer - cy, mer - cy on us all.



God, and for peace through - out give the world, for the
here who have come to give you praise, for the



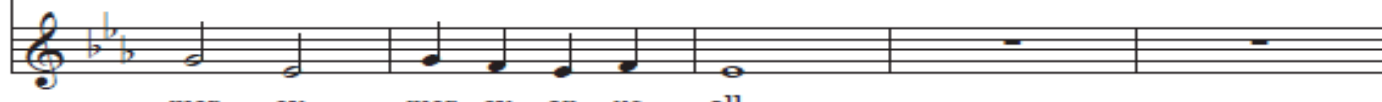
u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord:
strength to live your word, let us pray to the Lord:



Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have



[A] Help, save, and de - fend us, O



mer - cy, mer - cy on us all.



God.

[A] A

Simple ending

To Hymn of Praise*

men.

GLORY TO GOD

Strong ♩ = ca. 56-58 **§** Refrain

☐ Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God,

5
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple,

8
1. 2. To Verses 1 and 2
peace to God's peo - ple, peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

11
3. To Verse 3 | 4. *poco rit.*
earth. earth. *To Prayer of the Day*

15
Verse 1
I Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God- and Fa - ther, we

19
D.S.
wor - ship you, we_ give_ you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

23
Verse 2
II Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of

27
God, _____ you take a - way the_ sin of the world: have

30

 mer - cy on us. I+II You are seat - ed at the

33

 right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. D.S.

Verse 3

37

I For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, —

41

II You a - lone are the Most — High, Je - sus Christ, with the

44

 Ho - ly Spir - it, I+II in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. D.S.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: Let us pray. Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** Congregation sits

FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19

Marlys Svensson, Lector (L)

Lector: A reading from Acts, Chapter 3.

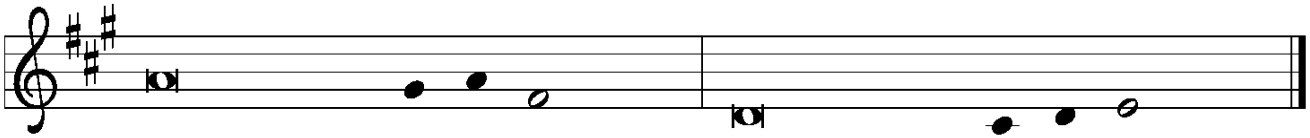
L: [Peter] addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. “And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers.

In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 4

Dianne Kutzke, Cantor



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Answer me when I call, O God, defender¹ of my cause;

*you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and¹ hear my prayer.

“You mortals, how long will you dishon-¹ or my glory;

***how long will you love illusions and seek¹ after lies?”**

Know that the LORD does wonders¹ for the faithful; *the LORD will hear me¹ when I call.

Tremble, then, and¹ do not sin; *speak to your heart in silence up-¹ on your bed.

Offer the appointed¹ sacrifices, *and put your trust¹ in the LORD.

Many are saying, “Who will show us¹ any good?”

***Let the light of your face shine upon¹ us, O LORD.**

You have put gladness¹ in my heart, *more than when grain and¹ wine abound.

In peace, I will lie¹ down and sleep; *for you alone, O LORD, make me¹ rest secure.

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1--7

Marlys Svensson, Lector

L: A reading from 1 John, Chapter 3.

L: See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you.

Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Word of God, word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (next page): from “Tree of Life”, by Marty Haugen, p. 10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia, Lord, to whom shall we go? For
you have the words, you have the words, the words of e -
ter - nal life, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48

Rev. John Michael Barich

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Congregation may be seated

MESSAGE:

Rev. John Michael Barich

Please stand as able

Hymn of the Day (next page):

ELW #522

As We Gather at Your Table

1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,
2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;
3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast

help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
where tri - um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.

Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;
There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,

teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
may we still be - hold your im-age in the world you died to save.
as we join with saints and an-gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932

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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.

Congregation may be seated

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Sindy Rice, Assisting Minister (A)

A: Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A: O God our holy one, you feed our deepest hungers. As we share the holy meal that is the body and blood of Jesus given for us, lead us to share all that we have, and find, in generosity, abundant life. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A: O God our creator, you bring forth all life on earth. Calm storms, bring water to parched places, and protect the climate, that this planet would sustain life in all its variety. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A: O God our savior, you offer wisdom and guidance beyond all human knowledge. Instruct lawmakers, judges, and elected officials to make decisions grounded in your justice and care for all people. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A: O God our elder, you care for all your children. Encourage those who are in times of transition, facing the loss of old ways and routines and anticipating change. Guide those who journey in grief, hope, and uncertainty. We lift up all those in need, either silently or aloud... God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A: O God our center, you bring all people together in you. Help us to remember our identity and purpose in our ministry. Move us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to share in beloved community. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A: O God our resting place, your Son Jesus promised that we are held in your love forever. We remember our beloved who have died. As we remember and share their love, comfort those who mourn. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living 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 (next page):

ELW, #512

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,
warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

Text: Handt Hanson, b. 1950
Music: GOOD SOIL, Handt Hanson
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OFFERING PRAYER:

P: Let us pray.

C: Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

Please stand as able

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

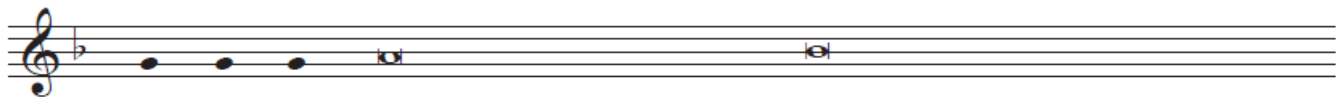
The GREAT THANKSGIVING

□ The Lord be with you. ● And al - so with you.

□ Lift up your hearts. ● We lift them to the Lord.

□ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ● It is right to give our thanks and praise.

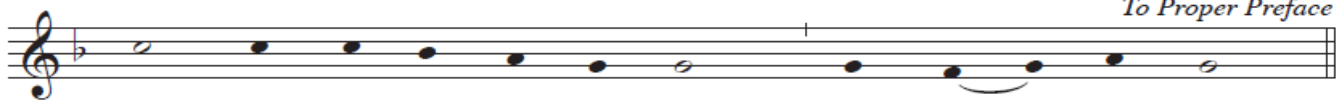
PREFACE OPENING



It is in - deed right and good that we should everywhere and

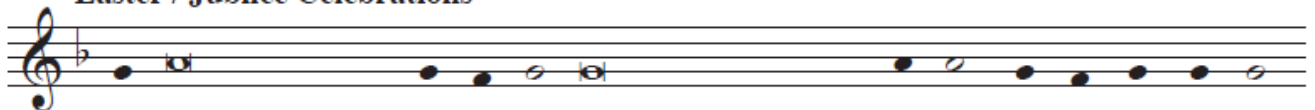


al - ways of - fer thanks and praise to you, Ho - ly

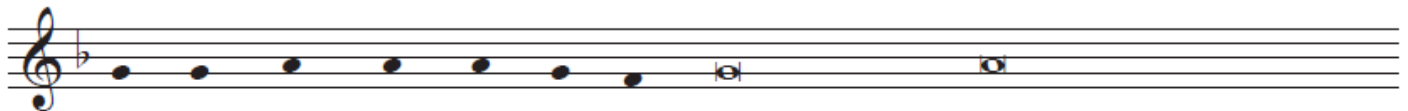


God, might - y and im - mor - tal, through Christ, our Lord...

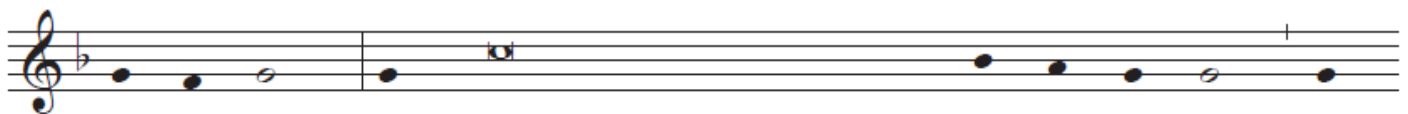
Easter / Jubilee Celebrations



The day of your final Ju - bi - lee dawned in your Son, Je - sus, your A - noint - ed One



who an - nounced good news to the poor, bound up the broken-hearted, and set the



cap - tives free. And so with earth, sky, and sea and all their crea - tures, with



an - gels and arch - an - gels and the whole com - pa - ny of heav - en we



praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn.

Holy, holy, holy Lord (next page): from "Tree of Life Communion Setting, by M. Haugen, p. 25.

HOLY, HOLY

Introduction omitted when Preface is sung.

© Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord,
5 God of pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your
9 glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -
12 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he,
15 bless - ed is he who comes in the name - of the Lord. Ho -
18 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the
21 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

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 Marty Haugen

LAMB OF GOD

6
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have

10
mer-cy on us. Lamb of

14
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the

19
world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Communion Hymn #2 (next page):

ELW, #471

Let Us Break Bread Together

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

Text: African American spiritual
 Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

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 (*next page*):

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. **Amen.**

BLESSING:

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! **C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!** The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy and the Spirit of Easter hope ✝ bless you now and always. **C: Amen**

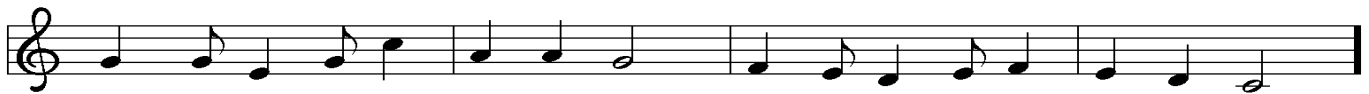
Sending Song:

ELW, #674

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!



Refrain
Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929

Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925–1980

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DISMISSAL:

P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. **C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE:

Marita Ericksen

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Worship Assistants This Morning:

Guest Pastor – Rev. John Michael Barich
Assisting Minister – Sindy Rice
Lector – Marlys Svensson
Communion Assistant – Janet Williams
Usher – Jim Dam
Musician – Dinah Helgeson
Cantors – Dianne Kutzke, Rev. John Barich
Communion Set Up – Sindy Rice

Worship Assistants Next Week (4/21/24):

Care Pastor – Rev. John Michael Barich
Assistant Minister – TBA
Lector – TBA
Communion Assistant – TBA
Usher – Jim Dam
Musician – Dinah Helgeson
Cantors – Dianne Kutzke, Rev. John Barich
Communion Set Up – TBA

Easter Lilies were provided in memory of or recognition of loved ones:

Given By:

Judy Carr & Jack Kirkman
James Dam
Marita, Elise & Frank Ericksen
Roger & Martha Gebhard
Reynold Hokenson
Gary & Marlee Koch
June Langland
Judy Lorange
Sindy Rice
Marlys Svensson
Patte & Mike Wagner
Cheryl Weise

In Memory of:

Jean & Tom Kirkman; Thelma & Stan Willis
Ivan Dam
Rev. John Ericksen, husband, father, Grandpa
Doris & Ted; Vene & Paul
Diana Hokenson
Lee & Jackie Luers; Cleo & Halo Koch
Dwayne Langland (husband)
Richard Lorange (husband)
Joyce Husmoe
Einar Svensson (husband)
John Koehler
Volker Weise (husband)

In Recognition of:

My church family
Jeffrey S. Falk

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you, Rev. John Michael Barich for your participation in worship today at VLC!

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

IFCH Dinner Program: VLC provides hand out meals at Vashon Presbyterian Church at 5:00 PM the fourth Thurs. of the month. Contact Patte Wagner: pattewags@aol.com to help.

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

VCN FAMILY CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP - 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, kshafel@comcast.net, cell: 206.718-1458 or Tory Hayes, 206.304-4544, victoriansmith@comcast.net.

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY

1st
10:30 AM
6:30 – 8:30 PM

Food Bank Sunday
Worship Service, followed by coffee & cookies
AA Group

MONDAY

10:00 AM
4th, 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Intercessory Prayer Group
VCN Board Meeting

TUESDAY

2nd, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
3rd, 10:00 AM – noon

Quilt Sewers Group
Vashon Quilting Group

WEDNESDAY

1st, 9:00 AM – noon

Lutheran Quilters Group

THURSDAY

6:30-7:30 PM
Apr. 25, 5:00 pm
April 25, 7:00 PM

VCN Family Caregivers Support Group at VLC
IFCH Dinner, prepared by VLC, served at VPC
VLC Council Meeting via ZOOM

FRIDAY

7:00 – 8:30 PM

AA Group for Men

SATURDAY

April 13, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

May 18, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Care Closet Open House & Giveaway

Synod Assembly at Grace Lutheran, Des Moines



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Hymns for April 14, 2024

ELW, 361, v. 1, 3-4

The Day of Resurrection!

ELW, 522

As We Gather at Your Table

ELW, 512

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

ELW, 471

Let Us Break Bread Together

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