

VASHON LUTHERAN CHURCH



**Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 11, 2023
10:30 AM Worship**

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PRELUDE

Dianne Herivel

Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord's day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God's mercy for the world.

CANDLELIGHTING

GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Patte Wagner, Lay Leader

Congregation stands as able

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM:

Rev. Chris Ode

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life. **C: Amen.**

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring. In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

P: Glory to you for oceans and lakes, or rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

C: Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

P: Satisfy the world's need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever. **C: Amen.**

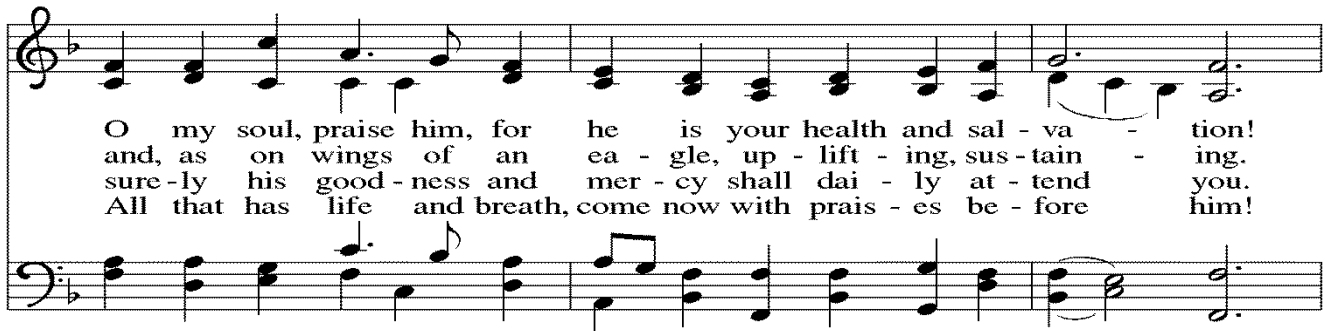
Gathering Hymn (next page):

ELW, #858

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al-might-y, the King of cre-a-tion!
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign-ing
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros-per your work and de-fend you;
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a-dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal-va-tion!
 and, as on wings of an ea-gle, up-lift-ing, sus-tain-ing.
 sure-ly his good-ness and mer-cy shall dai-ly at-tend you.
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais-es be-fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem-ple draw near,
 Have you not seen all that is need-ful has been
 Pon-der a-new what the Al-might-y can do.
 Let the a-men sound from his peo-ple a-gain.



join-ing in glad ad-o-ra-tion!
 sent by his gra-cious or-dain-ing?
 if with his love he be-friend you.
 Glad-ly for-ev-er a-dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
 Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665


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:

Cantor sings verses

Dianne Kutzke, Cantor

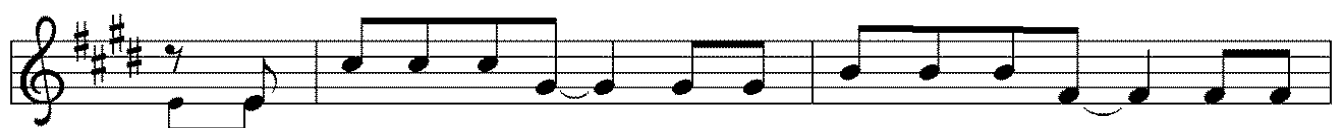
Refrain



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

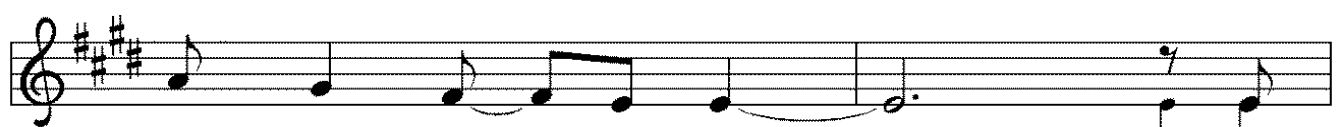


1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the

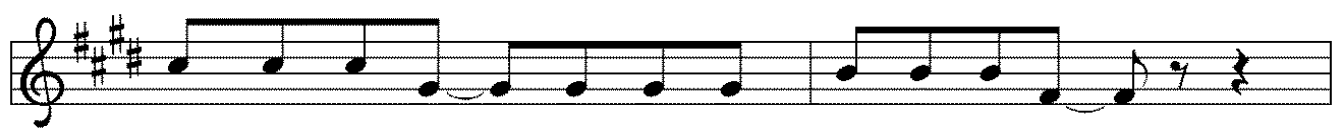
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the

3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for


4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u-ni-ty of all; for
 hun-gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam-i-ly; for
 wa-ter and the word; that you



this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out . . . truth and jus-tice and grace,
 life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

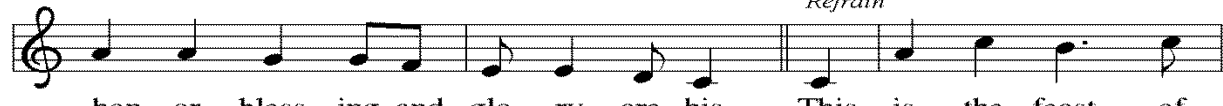


1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Refrain



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of



vic - t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P: Let us pray. O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C: **Amen.**

Congregation sits

FIRST READING: Hosea 5:15--6:6

Marlee Koch, Lector (L)

Lector: A reading from Hosea, Chapters 5 & 6.

L: I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.

In their distress they will beg my favor:

“Come, let us return to the LORD; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.

After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.

Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn;
he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.”

What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah?

Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early.

Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.

For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

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

PSALM: Psalm 50:7-15

Dianne Kutzke, Cantor



“Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you;
*for I am God, your God.

I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;

***your burnt offerings are always before me.**

I will not accept a calf from your stalls, *nor goats from your pens;

for all the wild animals of the forest are mine, *the cattle on a thousand hills.

I know every bird of the mountains, *and the creatures of the fields are mine.

If I were hungry, I would not tell you, *for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.

Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, *or drink the blood of goats?

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving *and make good your vows to the Most High.

Call upon me in the day of trouble; *I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

Marlee Koch, Lector

Lector: A reading from Romans, Chapter 4.

L: The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who

share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.** Congregation stands as able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

ELW, P. 188

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

GOSPEL: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Rev. Chris Ode

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, Chapter 9. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.”

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and

she will live.” And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, “Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

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

Congregation sits

MESSAGE:

Rev. Chris Ode

Congregation stands as able

HYMN OF THE DAY:

ELW, #836

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

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 sits

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Dr. Gary Koch, Assisting Minister (A)

A: Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

A: We pray, O God, for the church. Unite us with any on the margins, that the whole world recognizes that your mercy is greater than our human capacity to restrict it.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A: We pray, O God, for creation. Tend forests and fields and safeguard all cattle, birds, and wild animals. Preserve lakes, rivers, and oceans and send rains to water the earth. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A: We pray, O God, for the nations. Awaken in our leaders compassion for people who have too often felt forgotten or neglected, and inspire policy solutions that promote equity and inclusion. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A: We pray, O God, for all who are in need. Accompany anyone enduring chronic illness, any who suffer in secret, and those grieving a loved one's death. Send healing for all who plead for relief from sickness or pain. We pray for all who seek your comfort. We lift up all those in need, either silently or aloud...God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A: We pray, O God, for the eradication of racial hatred. On this week when we commemorate the Emanuel Nine, we implore you to cast out the demons of white supremacy that make us believe lies about ourselves and our neighbors. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A: We give thanks, O God, for Barnabas and all the saints. Renew our faith that you can do what you have promised and raise us, with all our beloved dead, to new life..
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. **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.

We Come Now to Your Table, Lord



We come now to your ta - ble, Lord, you are the Liv - ing Bread.



We come now to your ta - ble, Lord, let ev - 'ry soul be fed.



You are the Liv - ing Bread, let ev - 'ry soul be fed:



and now may ev - 'ry soul be fed with Liv - ing Bread.

Text: Caribbean Conference of Churches Jamaica workshop

Music: LIVING BREAD, St. Vincent traditional, adapt.; arr. Patrick Prescod, 1932–2013

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OFFERING PRAYER:

P: Let us pray. God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Congregation stands as able

GREAT THANKSGIVING:

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE:

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY...

ELW, p. 153

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, 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.

Congregation Sits

Communion Hymn:

ELW, #742

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.

Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.

all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

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.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

P: Let us pray. We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

BLESSING:

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed ✝ bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **C: Amen**

Sending Song:

ELW, 860

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: 1 I'm so glad, 2 Sa-tan had me bound, 3 When I was in trou-ble, Je-sus lift-ed me. I'm so glad, Sa-tan had me bound, When I was in trou-ble, Je-sus lift-ed me. I'm so glad, Sa-tan had me bound, When I was in trou-ble, Je-sus lift-ed me, sing-ing glo-ry, hal-le-lu-jah! Je-sus lift-ed me.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

DISMISSAL: P: Go in peace. Share the harvest. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE:

Dianne Herivel

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Worship Assistants Today:

Guest Pastor – Rev. Chris Ode
Assisting Minister – Dr. Gary Koch
Lector – Marlee Koch
Communion Assistant – Sindy Rice

Worship Assistants next week (6/18/23):

Pastor – Rev. Chris Ode
Assisting Minister – TBA
Lector – TBA
Communion Assistant – TBA

Usher – Jim Dam
Musician – Dianne Herivel
Cantor – Dianne Kutzke
Communion Set Up – Sindy Rice

Usher – Jim Dam
Musician – Marita Ericksen
Cantor – TBA
Communion Set Up – TBA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you, Rev. Chris Ode and Dianne Herivel, for your participation in worship today at VLC!

Sunday Bible Study Class – led by Roger Gebhard, 9:15 – 10:15 AM in the fellowship hall. All are welcome!

Jim Huff, husband of VLC's Finance Officer/Bookkeeper, Barb Huff, passed away Fri., May 26, at home. His memorial service will be Thurs., June 22, 4:00 PM, at Vashon Presbyterian Church. Cards & memorials may be mailed to: Barb Huff, P. O. box 1209, Vashon, WA 98070.

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

IFCH Dinner Program: VLC provides five 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 – 206-604-3253. Email: contact@vashoncarenetwork.org; website: www.vashoncarenetwork.org

Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting, Sunday, June 25 –following the worship service. We'll be approving the Ministry Site Profile, electing two council positions & hearing the NW WA Synod Gathering report, among other topics. A light lunch will be served.

The Church Secretary's office will be closed Thurs. – Fri., June 29 – 30 for a mini-vacation. The office will be open Mon. & Tues., June 26 & 27, noon–3PM, Weds., June 28, 10 AM-noon, & Sat., July 1, noon-3 PM.

In September, 2023 we are having our annual rummage sale. Please begin gathering items, but keep them home for now. In spring, June Langland will tell you when items can be brought to the church.

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY

1st
9:15 – 10:15 AM
10:30 AM
June 25, 11:30 AM
6:30 – 8:30 PM

Food Bank Sunday
Bible Study with Roger Gebhard
Worship
Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting
AA Group

MONDAY

10:00 AM

Intercessory Prayer Group

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
June 21, 7:00 PM

Lutheran Quilters Group
Council ZOOM Meeting

THURSDAY

June 22, 4:00 PM

June 22, 5:00 PM

Jim Huff Memorial Service at VPC

IFCH Dinner prepared by VLC, served at VPC

FRIDAY

7:00 – 8:30 PM

AA Group for Men



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Hymns for June 11, 2023

ELW, 858

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

ELW, 836

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

ACS, 970

We Come Now to Your Table

ELW, 742

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

ELW, 860

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me