

# VASHON LUTHERAN CHURCH



**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 2, 2023  
10:30 AM Worship**

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**PRELUDE**

Dinah Helgeson

*The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome.*

**CANDLELIGHTING**

**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, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: To you, O God,

**C: all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

P: By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of ✚ Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

**C: Amen.**

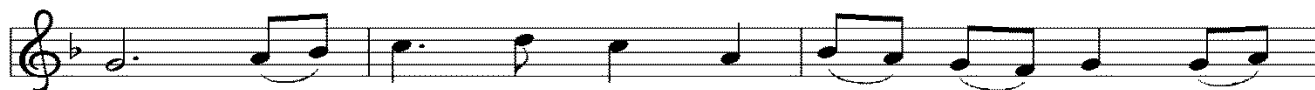
**Gathering Hymn (next page):**

**ELW, #641, vs. 1, 3 & 4**

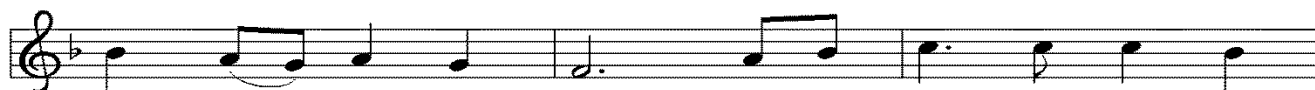
## All Are Welcome



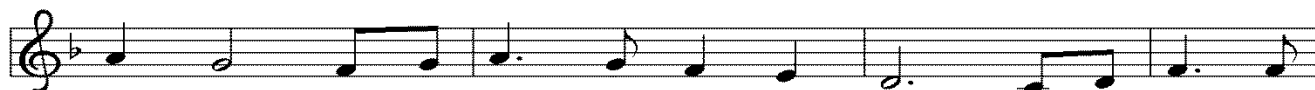
1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly  
 2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and  
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and  
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and  
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



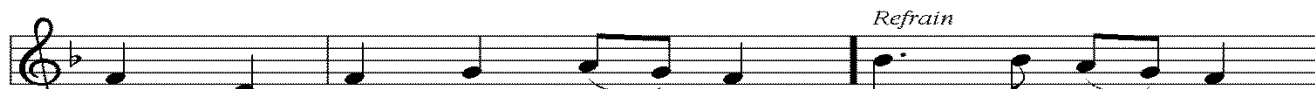
live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how  
 true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to  
 wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where  
 stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and  
 heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
 dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
 peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
 live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
 words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of  
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we  
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in  
 strang-er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an  
 laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:  
 claim the faith of Je - sus:  
 Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,  
 end to fear and dan - ger:  
 claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950  
 Music: TWO OAKS, Marty Haugen  
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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.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

*Song of Praise:*

*ACS, p. 31*

1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.  
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.  
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;  
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;  
 Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

P: Let us pray. O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

*Congregation sits*

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 28:5-9**

Marlee Koch, Lector (L)

Lector: A reading from Jeremiah, Chapter 28.

L: The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; and the prophet Jeremiah said, “Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet.”

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

**PSALM: Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18**

Dr. Gary Koch, Cantor



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Your love, O LORD, forever<sup>1</sup> will I sing;

\*from age to age my mouth will pro-<sup>1</sup>claim your faithfulness.

**For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is estab-<sup>1</sup>lished forever;**

**\*you have set your faithfulness firmly<sup>1</sup> in the heavens.**

“I have made a covenant with my<sup>1</sup> chosen one; \*I have sworn an oath to Da-<sup>1</sup>vid my servant:

**‘I will establish your<sup>1</sup> line forever, \*and preserve your throne for all<sup>1</sup> generations.’ ”**

Happy are the people who know the<sup>1</sup> festal shout!

\*They walk, O LORD, in the light<sup>1</sup> of your presence.

**They rejoice daily<sup>1</sup> in your name; \*they are jubilant<sup>1</sup> in your righteousness.**

For you are the glory<sup>1</sup> of their strength, \*and by your favor our might<sup>1</sup> is exalted.

**Truly, our shield belongs<sup>1</sup> to the LORD; \*our king to the Holy<sup>1</sup> One of Israel.**

**SECOND READING: Romans 6:12-23**

Marlee Koch, Lector

L: A reading from Romans, Chapter 6.

L: Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to

righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Congregation stands as able

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

*ACS, P. 14*

The musical score consists of two systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system contains the lyrics: "A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The second system contains the lyrics: "A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris' n in - deed." The music is written in a simple, rhythmic style suitable for congregational singing.

**GOSPEL: Matthew 10:40-42**

Rev. John Michael Barich

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, Chapter 10. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: [Jesus said to the twelve:] “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.” P: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.** Congregation sits

**MESSAGE:**

Rev. John Michael Barich

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**HYMN OF THE DAY:**

ELW, #676

**Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak**

1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in  
 2 Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the  
 3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the  
 4 Oh, fill us with your full - ness, Lord, un -

liv - ing ech - oes of your tone; as you have sought, so  
 wan - d'ring and the wa - v'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that  
 pre - cious truths which you im - part; and wing our words, that  
 til our ver - y hearts o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and

let us seek your stray - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.  
 we may feed your hun - g'ring ones with man - na sweet.  
 they may reach the hid - den depths of man - y\_a heart.  
 glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.  
 Music: CANONBURY, Robert Schumann, 1810–1856

**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:**

Patte Wagner, Assisting Minister (A)

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

A: We pray for the church. For wisdom to heed the voices of prophets in our midst who cast a vision of God's promised future. For courage to welcome people whom society rejects. For resolve to serve all in need. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A: We pray for creation. For all rivers, lakes, oceans, and streams. For lands experiencing scorching heat, drought, or wildfires. For conservation organizations and environmental activists. For scientists working on clean energy solutions.

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

A: We pray for this nation and all nations. For presidents, governors, and legislators. For judges, juries, district attorneys, and public defenders. For military personnel. For those who are incarcerated. Guide us in ways of freedom that promote the common good.

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

A: We pray for those in need. For exiles, immigrants, refugees, and those seeking asylum. For victims of harassment, torture, or abuse. For those who are ill. For any near death and for all who grieve. We lift up all those in need, either silently or aloud...

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

A: We pray for children. For their safety at home and in childcare settings. For their flourishing at summer programs and camps. For the many people who care for them including parents and grandparents; childcare workers and teachers; coaches, counselors, and mentors; pediatricians and psychologists. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A: We give thanks for all the saints and prophets who have received the free gift of God, which is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. May their lives of humble service inspire us in faith.

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.

**OFFERING/OFFERTORY RESPONSE:**

**ACS, #970**



## 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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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...*

*ACS, p. 36*



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

**Communion Hymn #1:**

Dr. Gary Koch, Song Leader

ACS, p. 41

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Communion Hymn #2:**

ELW, #466

**In the Singing**

1 In the sing - ing, in the si - lence, in the hands ex - pect - ant, o - pen,  
 2 In the ques - tion, in the an - swer, in the mo - ment of ac - cept - ance,  
 in the bless - ing, in the break - ing, in your pres - ence at this ta - ble,  
 in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing, in the cir - cle of your peo - ple,

*Refrain*  
 Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace;  
 Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

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 Music: BREAD OF PEACE, Carlton R. Young, b. 1926  
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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.**

**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, 729, vs. 1, 2 & 5*

**The Church of Christ, in Every Age**

1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by  
2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims  
3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing  
4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the  
5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -

change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its  
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for  
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's  
fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to  
be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -

her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.  
bread to eat, and nev - er live - be - fore they die.  
sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.  
share our bread, and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.  
out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

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

**POSTLUDE:**

Dinah Helgeson

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**Worship Assistants Today:**

Guest Pastor – Rev. John Michael Barich

Assisting Minister – Patte Wagner

Lector – Marlee Koch

Communion Assistant – Sindy Rice

Usher – Jim Dam

Musician – Dinah Helgeson

Song Leader/Cantor – Dr. Gary Koch

Communion Set Up – Sindy Rice

**Worship Assistants next week (7/9/23):**

Guest Pastor – Rev. Kristy Daniels

Assisting Minister – Harriet Shull Nelson

Lector – TBA

Communion Assistant – TBA

Usher – Jim Dam

Musician – Dinah Helgeson

Song leader/Cantor – TBA

Communion Set Up – TBA

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thank you, Rev. John Michael Barich 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. 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](mailto:pattewags@aol.com) to help.

**The Care Closet, Medical Equipment/Supplies** – 206-473-8715. Vashon Care Network – 206-604-3253. Email: [contact@vashoncarenetwork.org](mailto:contact@vashoncarenetwork.org); website: [www.vashoncarenetwork.org](http://www.vashoncarenetwork.org)

**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.

**On Sat., Sept. 16, 2023 we are having our annual rummage sale.** People can start bringing items and leave them near the west entrance in the fellowship hall, but please don't block the door.

**OUR FAITH IN ACTION**

**SUNDAY**

1<sup>st</sup>

9:15 – 10:15 AM

10:30 AM

6:30 – 8:30 PM

Food Bank Sunday

Bible Study with Roger Gebhard

Worship

AA Group

**MONDAY**

10:00 AM

Intercessory Prayer Group

**TUESDAY**

2<sup>nd</sup>, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Quilt Sewers Group

3<sup>rd</sup>, 10:00 AM – noon

Vashon Quilting Group

**WEDNESDAY**

1<sup>st</sup>, 9:00 AM – noon

Lutheran Quilters Group

**THURSDAY**

July 27, 5:00 PM

IFCH Dinner prepared by VLC, served at VPC

**FRIDAY**

7:00 – 8:30 PM

AA Group for Men



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## Hymns for July 2, 2023

ELW, 641, v. 1, 3 & 4	All Are Welcome
ELW, 676	Lord, Speak to Us That We May Speak
ACS, 970	We Come Now to Your Table
ACS, p. 40	Be Known to Us, Lord
ELW, 466	In the Singing
ELW, 729, v. 1, 2 & 5	The Church of Christ In Every Age