

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
Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 2, 2024, 10:30 AM**

Deuteronomy makes clear that sabbath-keeping is meant for the welfare of all. God delivered the Israelites out of slavery, so they should observe this freedom with a day of rest. No one should work seven days a week; even slaves and foreigners should be able to rest. Yet human beings can turn even the most liberating religious practice into a life-destroying rule. Jesus does not reject sabbath-keeping, but defends its original life-enhancing meaning. Our worship and our religious way of life are to lead to restoration: the hungry being fed and the sick being healed.

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:**

ELW, #532, vs. 1, 3 & 4

Gather Us In



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: GATHER US IN, 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.

KYRIE

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

5 [C] Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy.

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

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

14 God, here and who have peace through - out give the you world, for the

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

21 [C] Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have

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

mer - cy, mer - cy on us all.

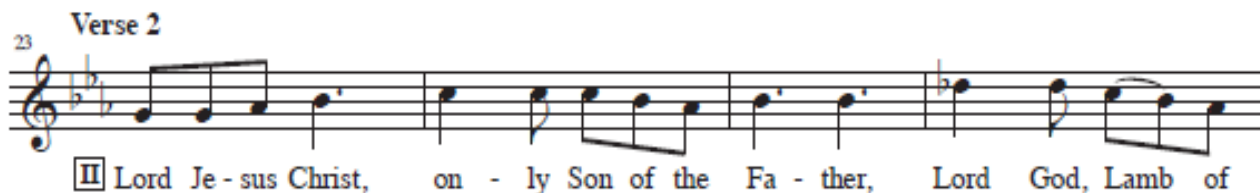
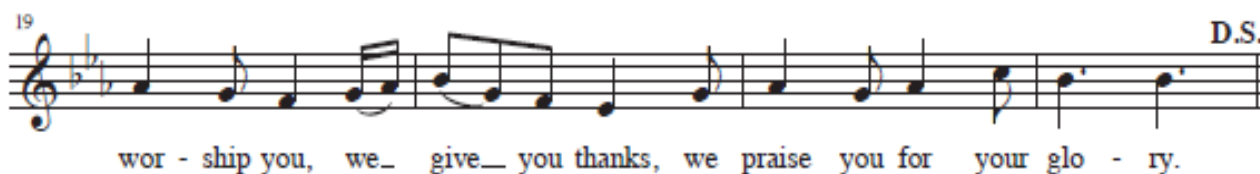
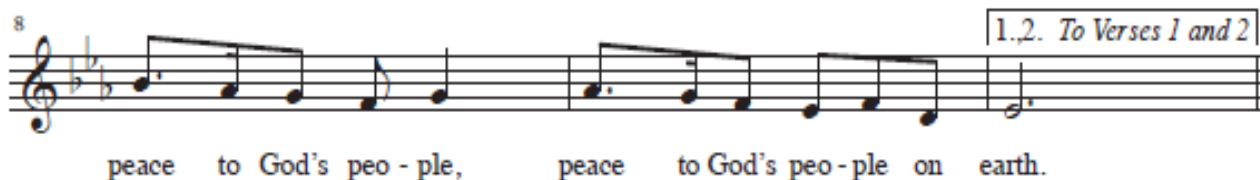
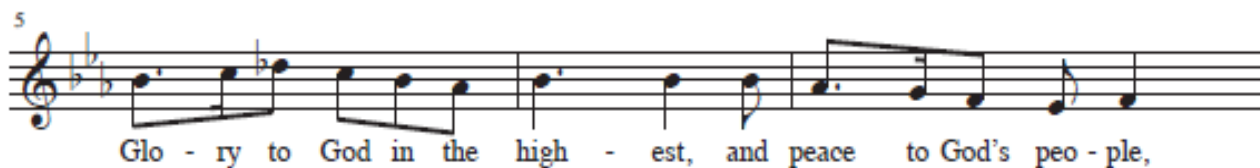
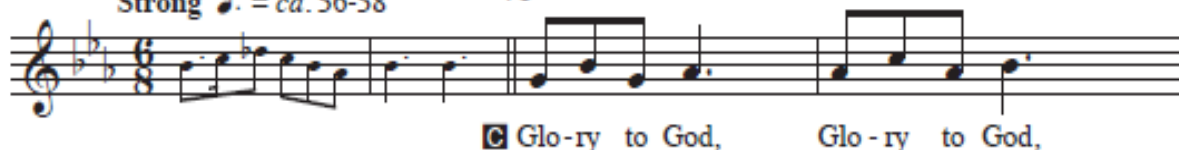
30 God. [C] A men.

Simple ending To Hymn of Praise*

GLORY TO GOD

Strong ♩. = ca. 56-58

Refrain



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. Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Congregation may be seated

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Nancy Lee Spears, Lector (L)

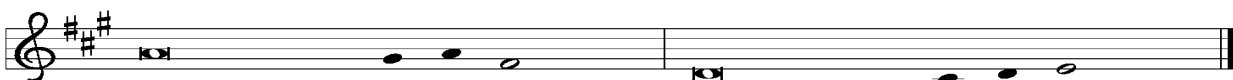
Lector: A reading from Deuteronomy, Chapter 5.

L: Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

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

PSALM: Psalm 81:1-10 (next page)

Dianne Kutzke, Cantor



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Sing with joy to ¹ God our strength *and raise a loud shout to the ¹ God of Jacob.

Raise a song and ¹ sound the timbrel, *the merry harp, ¹ and the lyre.

Blow the ram's horn at ¹ the new moon, *and at the full moon, the day ¹ of our feast;

for this is a stat- ¹ ute for Israel, *a law of the ¹ God of Jacob.

God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the ¹ land of Egypt,

*where I heard a voice I ¹ did not know:

"I eased your shoulder ¹ from the burden;

***your hands were set free from the grave- ¹ digger's basket.**

You called on me in trouble, and I de- ¹ livered you;

*I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the wa- ¹ ters of Meribah.

Hear, O my people, and I will ad- ¹ monish you: *O Israel, if you would but lis- ¹ ten to me!

There shall be no strange ¹ god among you; *you shall not worship a ¹ foreign god.

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the ¹ land of Egypt.

***Open your mouth wide, and ¹ I will fill it.**

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

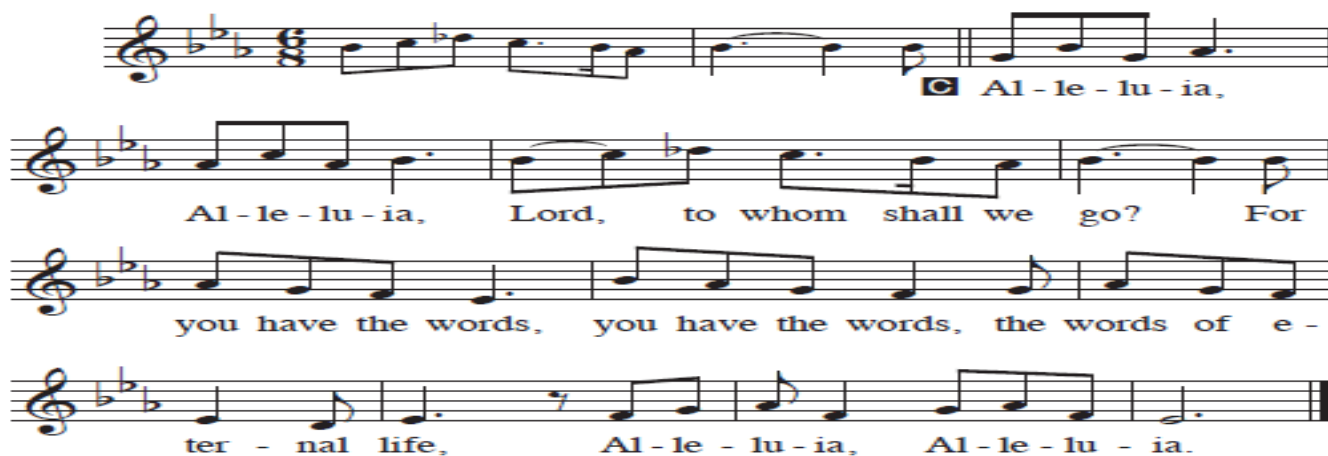
Nancy Lee Spears, Lector

L: A reading from 2 Corinthians, Chapter 4.

L: We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Mark 2:23 – 3:6

Rev. John Michael Barich

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

P: One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, “Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?” And he said to them, “Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions.” Then he said to them, “The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.”

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, “Come forward.” Then he said to them, “Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

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:**ELW, 729, vs. 1 – 3***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, the 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.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: WAREHAM, William Knapp, 1698–1768

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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. Be seated

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Harriet Shull Nelson, Assisting Minister (A)

A: We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

A: Guide your church to expressions of faith that bring rest and release. Teach your faithful people to be attentive to the spiritual, physical, and societal weariness of our neighbors, that we proclaim your grace through tangible acts of mercy and justice.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A: Keep us mindful of the rhythms of nature as the days lengthen and the seasons shift toward summer. Grant relief to areas facing flooding or drought and bring favorable weather for the flourishing of crops, gardens, and orchards. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A: Where there is affliction in our world, bring healing. Where world leaders are perplexed, bring clarity of vision. Give a spirit of discernment to political advisors, institutional researchers, economic analysts, and all vocations that inform the work of governments and policymakers. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A: Provide wholeness and respite to all who are weary: those who struggle in any way and those who care for them. Strengthen first responders and health care workers in their times of exhaustion or frustration. We lift up all those in need, either silently or aloud...

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A: Stir our hearts toward abundant generosity among neighbors who experience hunger and food insecurity. Bless feeding ministries and community food efforts, especially community gardens, farmers markets, food pantries and Little Free Pantries. Open both our hearts and our tables. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A: We remember the communion of saints whose lives made visible the saving life of Jesus Christ. Guide us by their example to embody the treasure of your love for the sake of our world, until we come to our final rest in you.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P: Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love 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:


ELW, #465

As the Grains of Wheat


Refrain




As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



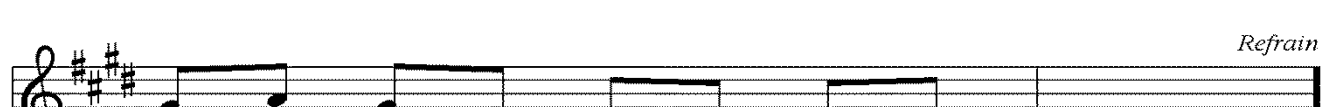
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from




all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when



Refrain



may we share the pres-ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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OFFERING PRAYER:

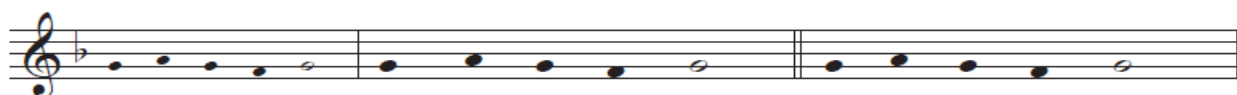
P: Let us pray.

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.

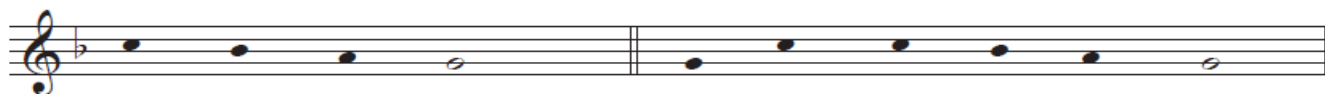
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The Great Thanksgiving: "Tree of Life", p. 18, 20, by M. Haugen Rev. J. M. Barich, Cantor
(next page):

The GREAT THANKSGIVING



[P] The Lord be with you. [C] And al - so with you.

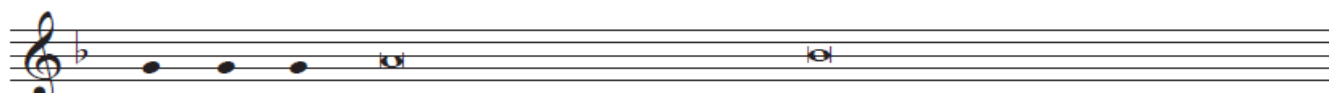


[P] Lift up your hearts. [C] We lift them to the Lord.



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

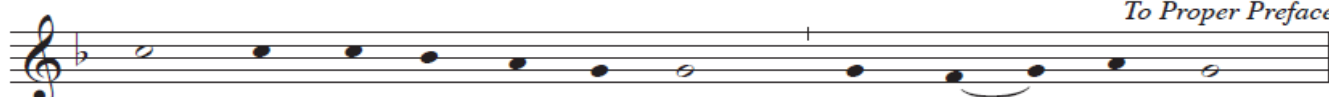
PREFACE OPENING



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



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

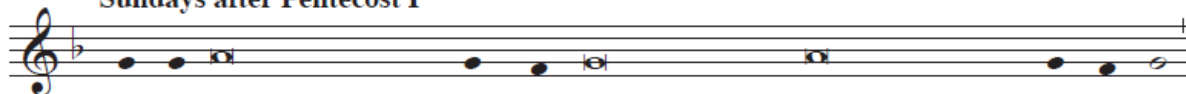


God, might - y and im - mor - tal, through Christ, our Lord...

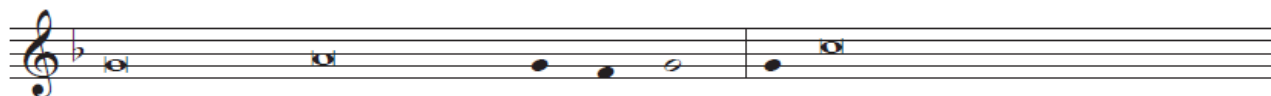
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PROPER PREFACE

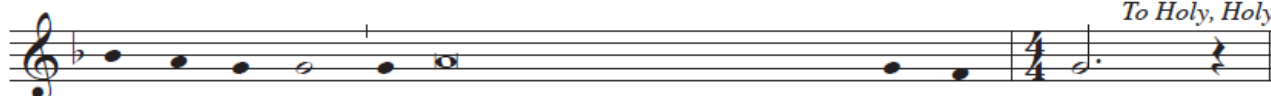
Sundays after Pentecost I



[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.

To Holy, Holy

HOLY, HOLY

Introduction omitted when Preface is sung.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord,

God of pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he,

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, 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 M. 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 2. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
 19 world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Communion Hymn #2:

ELW, #608

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
 2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
 3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for
 you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
 you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
 you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,
 Refrain
 watch - ing for you and for me. “Come home, come home!”
 mer - cies for you and for me?
 par - don for you and for me.
 You who are wea - ry, come home.” Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,
 Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, “O sin - ner, come home!”

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, #534, vs. 1, 2 & 4

Savior, Again to Your Dear Name

1 Sav - ior, a - gain to your dear name we raise
2 Grant us your peace up - on our home - ward way;
3 Grant us your peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;
4 Grant us your peace through - out our earth - ly life,

with one ac - cord, our part - ing hymn of praise;
with you be - gan, with you shall end the day;
for us trans - form with its dark - ness in - to light.
our balm in sor - row, and our stay in strife;

once more we bless you ere our wor - ship cease,
guard all the lips from the hearts from shame,
Keep us from harm and shall sin, dan - ger till the dawn;
then, when your voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

then, low - ly bend - ing, wait your word of peace.
that in this house have called up - on your name.
your eve - ning pres - ence prom - ise to your own.
call us, O Lord, to your e - ter - nal peace.

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

POSTLUDE:

Dinah Helgeson

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Worship Assistants This Morning:

Care Pastor – Rev. John Michael Barich
Assisting Minister – Harriet Shull Nelson
Lector – Nancy Lee Spears
Communion Assistant – Cindy Rice
Usher – Jim Dam
Musician – Dinah Helgeson
Cantors – Dianne Kutzke, Rev. John Barich
Communion Set Up – Cindy Rice

Worship Assistants Next Week (6/9/24):

Care Pastor – Rev. John Michael Barich
Assistant Minister – June Langland
Lector – TBA
Communion Assistant – TBA
Usher – Jim Dam
Musician – Marita Ericksen
Cantors – TBA, Rev. John Barich
Communion Set Up – TBA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Sunday AM Bible Study, 9:45 – 10:15 AM, is led by Rev. John Michael Barich. All are welcome.

Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting – right after worship, Sunday, June 23. Members are encouraged to attend this meeting to hear Council President's & Care Pastor's reports, the current financial situation, the Hanusa Fund report, the VLC Nominating Committee's report & election of Council Officers & Members & to hear the VLC attendees' report from NW WA Synod Assembly. Light refreshments will be served.

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 Chery Weise: cheryl.weise@gmail.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
9:45 – 10:15 AM
10:30 AM
6:30 – 8:30 PM
June 23, after worship svc.
June 30, 10:00 AM

Food Bank Sunday
Bible Study w/ Rev. John Michael Barich
Worship Service, followed by coffee & cookies
AA Group
Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting
Worship at Church of the Holy Spirit

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
June 19, 7:00 PM

Lutheran Quilters Group
VLC Council Meeting via ZOOM

THURSDAY

6:30-7:30 PM
May 23, 5:00 pm

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

FRIDAY

7:00 – 8:30 PM

AA Group for Men



Vashon Lutheran Church
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Hymns for June 2, 2024

ELW, 532, v. 1, 3-4

Gather Us In

ELW, 729, v. 1-3

The Church of Christ, In Every Age

ELW, 465

As the Grains of Wheat

ELW, 608

Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling

ELW, 534, v. 1, 2 & 4

Savior, Again to Your Dear Name