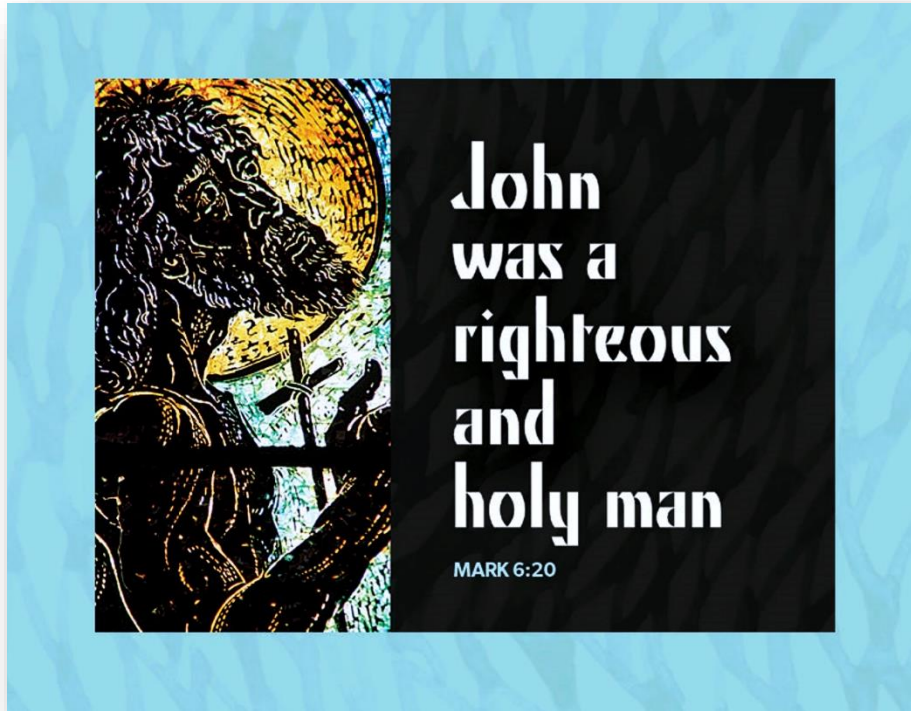
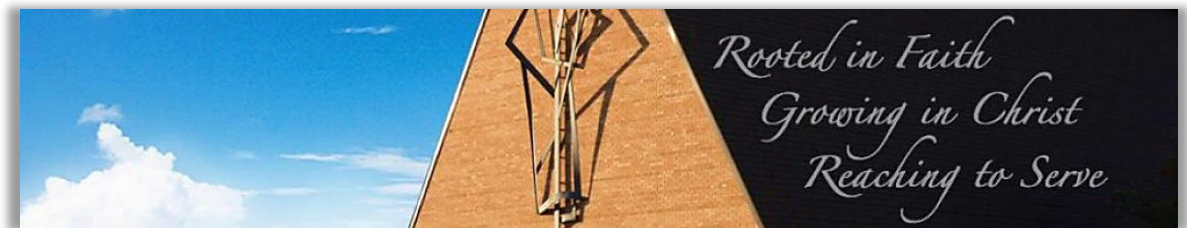


**8th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**July 14th, 2024**



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**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**  
Virginia, MN



# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

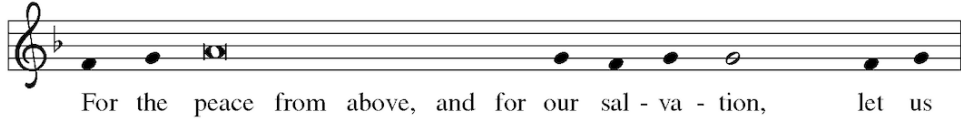
## CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day the Lord has made, **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

## KYRIE



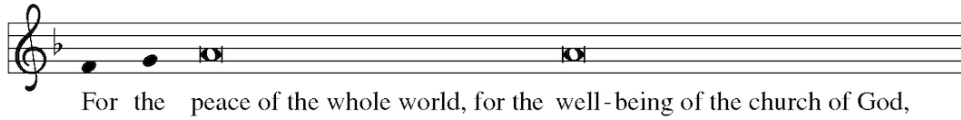
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



For the peace from above, and for our sal-va-tion, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



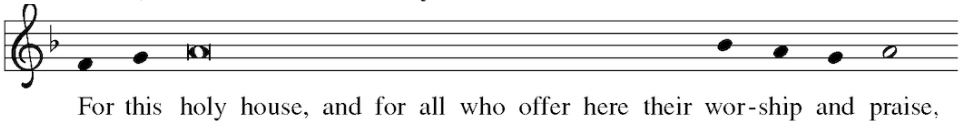
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



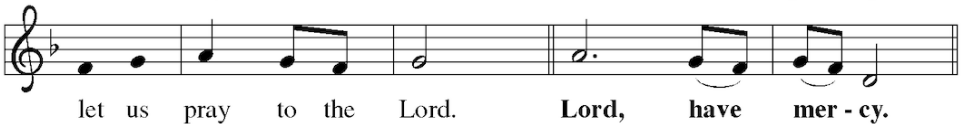
and for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer-cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.



**A - men.**

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider,

**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.**

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. **Amen.**

## GATHERING SONG

*Come Thou Fount*

ELW# 807

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

## FIRST READING: Amos 7:7-15

This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. <sup>8</sup> And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by;

<sup>9</sup> the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,

and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,

and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

<sup>10</sup> Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup> For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'

<sup>12</sup> And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; <sup>13</sup> but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

<sup>14</sup> Then Amos answered Amaziah, “I am no prophet, nor a prophet’s son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, <sup>15</sup> and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’ ”

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

### **PSLAM: Psalm 85:8-13**

<sup>8</sup> I will listen to what the LORD God is saying;  
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

<sup>9</sup> **Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,  
that your glory may dwell in our land.**

<sup>10</sup> Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

<sup>11</sup> **Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

<sup>12</sup> The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,  
and our land will yield its increase.

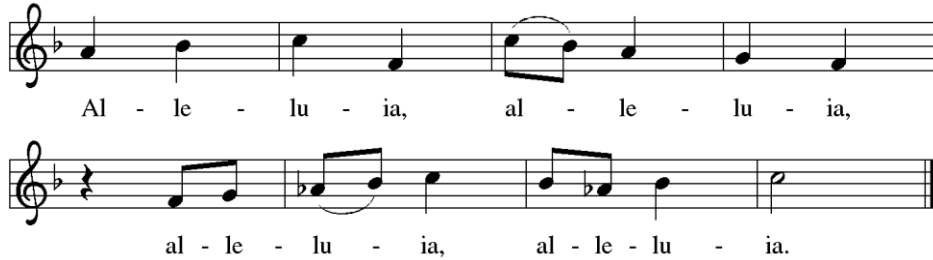
<sup>13</sup> **Righteousness shall go before the LORD  
and shall prepare for God a pathway.**

### **SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-14**

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup> just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup> He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup> he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup> as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup> In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup> so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup> In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup> this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God’s own people, to the praise of his glory.

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## GOSPEL MARK 6:14-29

The Holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup> King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." <sup>15</sup> But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." <sup>16</sup> But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

<sup>17</sup> For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. <sup>18</sup> For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." <sup>19</sup> And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, <sup>20</sup> for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. <sup>21</sup> But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. <sup>22</sup> When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." <sup>23</sup> And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." <sup>24</sup> She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." <sup>25</sup> Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." <sup>26</sup> The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. <sup>27</sup> Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, <sup>28</sup> brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup> When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## CHILDREN'S TIME

### SERMON

Pastor Liz Cheney

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*Let Streams of Living Justice*

ELW# 710

## 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.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

*Respond in bold type to each petition: "In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**"*

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

**SHARING THE PEACE** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

*Please share a sign of God's peace with one another.*

## OFFERING

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## OFFERING PRAYER

**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.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

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

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

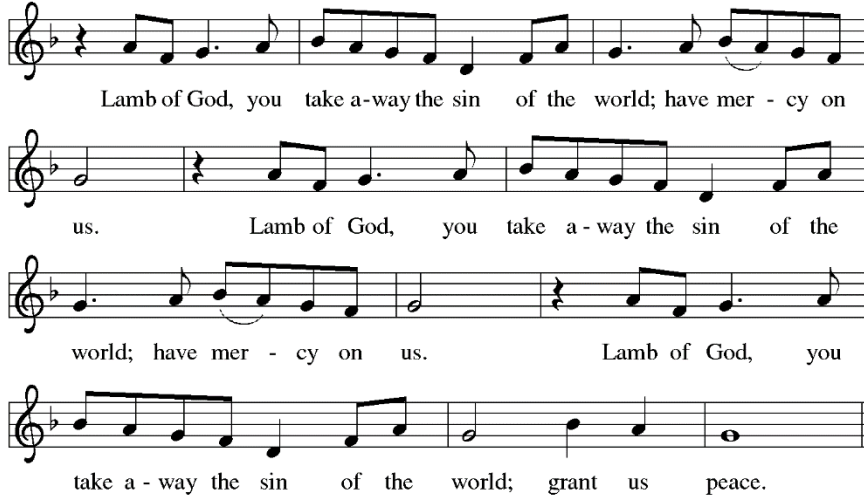
**THE LORD'S PRAYER** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come! All are welcome!

### LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

### COMMUNION HYMN

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

ELW# 471

### TABLE BLESSING

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask.  
As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.  
In your name we pray. Amen.**

### BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
✠ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

### SENDING SONG

*Christ, Be Our Light*

ELW# 715

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

**Kris Weikum**

*“We finally meet one another,  
not in our agreements or disagreements,  
but at the foot of the + cross,  
where God is faithful,  
where Christ is present with us,  
and where, by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
we are one in Christ.”*

*-Reverend Mark Hanson, previous Presiding Bishop*

## **WE HOLD IN OUR PRAYERS**

Please pray for people in need of comfort, hope, healing, or safe transition: Amelia, Courtney, Tyler, Gerilyn, Andrew, Alexandria, Diane, people impacted by the flooding, the people of Guatemala, Jill & husband, Amelia, Archer, Kim, Gordy, Sarah, Nancy, Jarie, Nicole, Thomas, Kathy M., Pastor Erika, Phyllis, Roya, Ross-(needs transplant of kidneys & pancreas). Laurie, Amy, Colton, Wally, Deb, Adeline, Tedd, Ed & Karen, Ralph, Chuck, Sue, Mike, Matt. *Prayers for Mark Hoppa, at the passing of his Mother, Kathy Hoppa, earlier this week.* Call Ginny Ahrlin @ 218-749-0056, for prayer needs.

**If you are in need of any pastoral care or if you or someone you know would like a visit, please call Pastor Liz Cheney at 218-780-8907 or the church office at 218-741-6207.**

### **CONTACT US**

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### **OFFICE HOURS**

Office Admin hours are 9am - 5pm, Tuesday - Friday.

**There will be times we're away from the office doing errands, for this reason, please call ahead if you plan on coming to the church or need assistance!**

### **PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS**

Pastor Liz will be here Tues. - Thurs. & off Fridays.

Call @ 218-780-8907

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## Announcements

### 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**VBS ANNOUNCEMENT** We are currently open for registration! See the insert~ We are looking for people 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up, all adult ages, who would like to help by being an “Assistant River Guide.” There are many ways you can help with VBS – from decorating before VBS starts (if you can’t be here during the actual VBS), crafts, playing guitar for the opening/closing songs, helping with dinner, games, reading during story time. The VBS “**River of Life**” will be held **August 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>**.



**ORGANS IN REVUE** This is the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Summer Recital Series in the Northland, and we are blessed to have organists who perform from Our Savior’s Lutheran. The Recitals are every Wednesday at 12 noon, and most places provide a light lunch after for a \$10 donation. The recitals are approximately 30 minutes and are free and open to the public. Donations can be given for the Claribel Hamilton Organ Scholarship Fund. **The next recital is Wed., July 17<sup>th</sup>, 12pm, St. James Episcopal Church, Hibbing.**

**ELCA-50 YEARS OF WORLD HUNGER** We are celebrating the last 50 years joined together as Lutherans in support of the ministry “World Hunger.” As we reflect on the last 50 years, we know God calls us to respond to the needs of the world now more than ever. We have made great strides against hunger and poverty together- let’s continue! There are special envelopes in the pews to use if you would like to provide a special gift toward this amazing ministry. You can learn more online about *World Hunger*, watch videos, and ways to give at [ELCA.org/WH50](http://ELCA.org/WH50).

**WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS** This work belongs to **all of us**, as ministers of the congregation ~ prayerfully consider how you might be able to sign up and assist. *Your presence makes a difference in creating a wonderful worship service for all.* There are different opportunities: **servicing communion, being a lector, ushering or greeting.** The sign-up sheets are located on the kiosk in the narthex.

**TECH TEAM** Are you more of a “behind the scenes” person? If you’re comfortable recording nature, or your children/grandchildren with a phone, using a computer, or using the options on a smart tv, it may be in your skillset to join us! Let Pastor, Dan Peliska, John Elofson or Colleen know if you think you could serve occasionally. There are small tasks that only take a minute or two before or after the service.

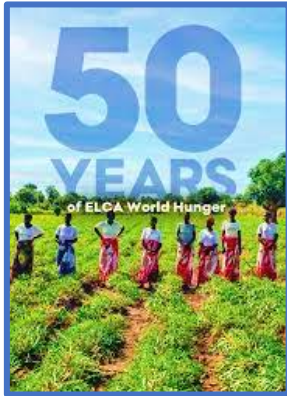
**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** Today’s broadcast is sponsored by the Hansen Family Produce Stand, in thanks to **OSLC**. If you are interested in sponsoring a Sunday Worship in honor of someone or a special event (wedding anniversary, birth of children, baptism date) or in memory of a loved one who has passed, and/or the tech equipment, you may do so in full for \$90 or shared/partial at \$45. **Sign up on the sheet provided on the bulletin board by the fountain.**

## EVENTS & MEETINGS TAKING PLACE IN CHURCH THIS WEEK:

7/16 1PM WELCA BIBLE STUDY, FIRESIDE ROOM  
7/16 9AM-2/3PM, QUILTERS, FELLOSWHIP HALL  
7/18 10:30AM LSS MEETING, FIRESIDE ROOM

## UPCOMING!

7/31 FUN NIGHT @ OSLC, and 8/28 @ GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN



## VLM Camp Hiawatha & Camp Vermilion

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A poster for Summer Fun Nights. It features an owl playing a guitar, a 'SNACKS' stand, a bonfire, and a photo of people playing a game. The text says 'Join us for SUMMER FUN NIGHTS 6-8pm'. A large cross is on the right with the text 'COME JOIN US' written vertically. At the bottom, there is a table with church names and dates.

MESSIAH JUNE 26TH	OUR SAVIOR'S JULY 31ST	GETHSEMANE AUGUST 28TH
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## ORGANS IN REVUE SUMMER RECITAL SERIES 40<sup>TH</sup> YEAR ANNIVERSARY!

All recitals are at 12pm, Wednesdays, and are free. Donations are accepted for the Claribel Hamilton Organ Scholarship fund. A lunch is usually served after for \$10.

**JULY 17**-Lanae Ronchetti, St. Jame's Episcopal Church, Hibbing

**JULY 24**-Amy Szumal, Faith United Lutheran Church, Iron

**JULY 31**-Brian Kapp, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Hibbing

**AUG. 7<sup>TH</sup>**-Karen Sande, First Lutheran Church, Hibbing

**AUG. 14<sup>TH</sup>**-Kristen Weikum, Our Savior's Lutheran, Virginia

A poster for Youth Group Wednesdays. It features a night scene with trees, a bonfire, and a table with food. The text says 'YOUTH GROUP WEDNESDAYS 6-8PM' and lists dates: 'JUNE 5TH', 'JULY 10TH', 'AUG. 7TH'. It also says 'ALL Ages are invited' and 'Come join the Youth for games, snacks, a bonfire &amp; short worship time in the OSLC Courtyard!'. There are musical notes scattered around.

A poster for Vacation Bible School. It features a sun, a boat with children, and a sign that says 'RIVER OF Life'. The text says 'Vacation Bible School' and 'Gethsemane, Messiah, and Our Savior's Lutheran Churches'. It also says 'August 4th - 7th 5 - 8 pm' and 'Includes Dinner! at Our Savior's'. The boat is labeled 'Ezekiel'.