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ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING

Gathering Music		piano
Welcome & Announcements		
Confession and Forgiveness		
Gathering Song "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"	ELW 803	
Greeting		
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

Bible Reading	Romans 8:14-18, 24-25	
Children's Hymn	"This is the Day"	on screen
Children's Word	Waiting with Patience	
Gospel Acclamation	"Alleluia"	ELW p. 205
Gospel	Luke 23:44-56	
Sermon	Faces of Our Faith: Joseph of Arimathea	
Hymn of the Day "I Know That My Redeemer Lives!"	(verses 1,4,5,8)	ELW 619
Apostles' Creed		
Prayers of Intercession		

MEAL

Gathering of Gifts		
Offering Prayer		
Sacrament of Holy Communion		
Words of Institution		
The Lord's Prayer	ELW p. 154	
Distribution		
Post-Communion Blessing		

SENDING

Blessing		
Sending Song	"Lift High the Cross"	ELW 660, vs. 3,4
Dismissal		
Sending Music		piano



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Preacher:

Rev. Anjanette Bandel

Lector: Taylor Skaer

Pianist: Jan Matson

Minister of Music & Worship:

Brock A. Besse



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Gathering Music	"Morning Meditations"	piano
Welcome & Announcements		
Call to Worship	"Shout to the Lord"	Judy Gittus
Confession and Forgiveness		
Gathering Song	"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"	ELW 803
Greeting		
Kyrie		ELW p. 203
Canticle of Praise	"Glory be to God"	ELW p. 204
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

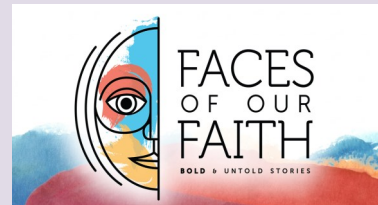
Musical Offering	"The Power of the Cross"	Ian Greenlund
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MEAL

Gathering of Gifts		
Offering Prayer		
Sacrament of Holy Communion		
Words of Institution		
The Lord's Prayer		
Distribution	"Lamb of God"	ELW p.208
Distribution Hymns	"Abide With Me"	ELW 629
	"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"	ELW 338
Post-Communion Blessing		

SENDING

Blessing		
Sending Song	"Lift High the Cross"	ELW 660, vs. 3,4
Dismissal		
Sending Music	"Mighty Fanfare"	organ



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Preacher: Rev. Anjanette Bandel

Worship Leaders:

Rev. Lisa Hawe

Rev. Michael Mandsager

Lector: Judy Gittus

Organist: Brock A. Besse

Minister of Music & Worship:

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Sign Language Interpreter:

Melissa Almer



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Welcome to Our Contemporary Service!

Gate of Life is a service that will impact you musically, visually, and with the power of God's Word and Jesus' salvation as its backbone. **The name "Gate of Life" comes from the scripture John 10:9-10**, where Jesus says: *"I am the gate ... I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."* Expect worship to be highly engaging through the use of images, music that moves the body and soul, a message that encourages all to participate, and a community focused atmosphere with Christ at the center.

the gate of Life



Sunday, July 19th, 2026
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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WORSHIP INFORMATION

Bible Reading	Romans 8:14-18, 24-25
Children's Sermon	Waiting with Patience
Gospel	Luke 23:44-56
Sermon Title	Faces of Our Faith: Joseph of Arimathea

Worship Participants:

Preacher: Rev. Anjanette Bandel

The Gate of Life Worship Leader: Michele Nyman

Do you enjoy The Gate of Life?

WE INVITE YOU TO VOLUNTEER!

If you would like to **be a part of the Gate of Life service** in a musical way, helping with visuals, or behind the scenes work, please contact Michele Nyman at nyman@bethellutheran.com.

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INFORMATION

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- **Saturdays:** 6 pm (Traditional worship—spoken liturgy | Holy Communion)
- **Sundays:** 9 am* (Traditional worship—sung liturgy)
10:10 am** Gate of Life (Contemporary service | Holy Communion)
*9 am in-person worship offers an ASL interpreter and is Live-streamed through our YouTube channel: youtube.com/user/RochBethelLutheran
**On the 2nd Sunday of the month (June through August), join our blended (Traditional and Gate of Life) worship service in the courtyard.
- **Videos of our services** are posted on our website to be viewed at any time: www.bethellutheran.com/worshiponline

HOLY COMMUNION

All the baptized believing that Jesus is truly present in the bread & wine are welcome to take communion (including visitors). Holy Communion is offered during our Saturday worship at 6 pm and Gate of Life Contemporary service on Sunday at 10:10 am each week. Our 9 am Sunday services offer Holy Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

- A looping system is installed for those with compatible hearing aids.
- Assisted listening devices are available, please ask one of the ushers.
- Parenting room at the back left of the sanctuary; nursery staffed during the 9 am worship and open for parents and children during other services.

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1. **Good Earth Village Day Camp is July 27th-30th** from 8:30 am – 3 pm. Everything they do at Camp, we will do at Bethel! Kids who have completed Kindergarten – 5th grade can register. \$75/camper. We go to GEV in Spring Valley on Wednesday from 8 am – 5 pm!
2. The **monthly blood pressure checks** will be offered this weekend, Saturday evening, July 18th, in the Narthex prior to and following the service and again on Sunday, July 19th from 8:30 - 1030 am in the office conference room. Please stop by with your questions and concerns.
3. Join us for **book club on July 21st at 3:30 pm** in Room 115. The book we will be discussing is *"Longbourn"* by Jo Baker. The servants take center stage in this irresistibly imagined below stairs answer to "Pride and Prejudice".

To learn about more events subscribe to our weekly eNews by emailing us to info@bethellutheran.com or pick up a printed version through our **"Bethel Connection Box"** located by the entrance of our building.

ARE YOU NEW AT BETHEL?

We're glad you're here! Please stop by the Welcome Desk for more information about our vibrant Bethel church family.

CHILDREN'S NOISY OFFERING

Our children offerings will be directed to support
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