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MEAL

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

SENDING

Blessing
Sending Song "For All the Faithful Women" ELW 419
 (verses 1,2,8)
Dismissal
Sending Music "Trumpet Finale" organ



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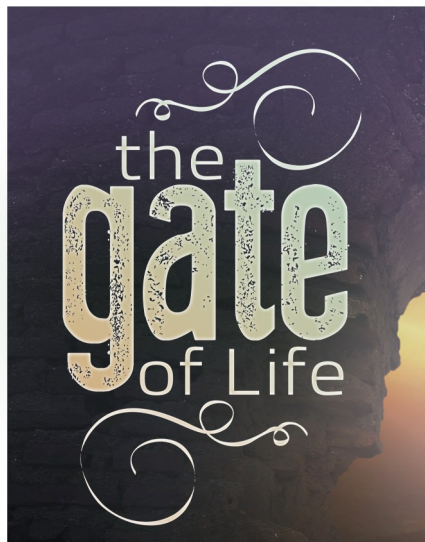
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Welcome to Our Contemporary Service!

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.



November 23rd, 2025

Christ the King and Thankoffering Sunday

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Bible Reading	Jeremiah 23:1-6
Gospel	Luke 23:33-43
Children's Sermon	King Me!
Sermon Title	A King on a Cross

Worship Participants:

Preacher: Rev. Michael Mandsager

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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Kyrie		ELW p. 98
Canticle of Praise	"Glory to God"	ELW p. 99
Prayer of the Day		

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Musical Offering	"Let Your Kingdom Come"	Chancel Choir
First Reading	Jeremiah 23:1-6	
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Children's Word	King Me!	
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Sign Language Interpreter:

Becky Wulff



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SUNDAY BAPTISM

- November 23rd | 9 am -

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CHILDREN'S NOISY OFFERING

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