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ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING

Gathering Music	"Chime Prelude"	organ
Welcome & Announcements		
Mission Minute	Young in Spirit	Shirley Jordahl
Confession and Forgiveness		
Gathering Song	"O Master, Let Me Walk With You"	ELW 818
Greeting		
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

Psalm	Psalm 26:1-8	
Second Reading	Romans 12:9-21	
Children's Hymn	"All Things Bright & Beautiful"	on screen
Children's Word	A "To Do" List	
Gospel	Matthew 16:21-28	
Sermon	Genuine Love	
Hymn of the Day	"My Hope is Built On Nothing Less"	ELW 597
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" (verses 1,2,4)	ELW 660
Dismissal		
Sending Music	"Entrata"	organ



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Worship Participants

Preacher:

Rev. Anjanette Bandel

Lector: Brad Skaer

Organist: Jim Bahler

Minister of Music & Worship:
Brock A. Besse



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Welcome & Announcements		
Mission Minute	Young in Spirit	Shirley Jordahl
Call to Worship		Merle Savage
Confession and Forgiveness		
Gathering Song	"O Master, Let Me Walk With You"	ELW 818
Greeting		
Kyrie		ELW p. 138
Canticle of Praise	"Glory be to God"	ELW p. 139
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

Musical Offering	"Then Sings My Soul"	Ed Heckman & Christa Heckman
Psalm	Psalm 26:1-8	
Second Reading	Romans 12:9-21	
Children's Hymn	"All Things Bright & Beautiful"	on screen
Children's Word	A "To Do" List	
Gospel Acclamation	"Alleluia"	ELW p. 142
Gospel	Matthew 16:21-28	
Sermon	Genuine Love	
Hymn of the Day	"My Hope is Built On Nothing Less"	ELW 597
Apostles' Creed		ELW p. 104
Prayers of Intercession		
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Worship Leader:

Rev. Michael Mandsager

Lectors: Ryland Eichorst (9 am)

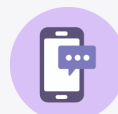
Organist: Jim Bahler

Sign Language Interpreter:

Melissa Almer

Minister of Music & Worship:

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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, August 30th, 2026
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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WORSHIP INFORMATION

Bible Reading	Romans 12:9-21
Children's Sermon	A "To Do" List
Gospel	Matthew 16:21-28
Sermon Title	Genuine Love

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

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.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- **Saturdays:** 6 pm (Traditional worship—spoken liturgy | Holy Communion)
- **Sundays:** 9 am* & 10:30 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
- **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.

3 OF THE MANY THINGS HAPPENING AT BETHEL

1. As the fall season approaches, we invite you to consider sharing your musical gifts with your Bethel church family! The **Bethel Music Department** offers a variety of opportunities for musicians of all experience levels, interests, and schedules. Whether you are a longtime musician or looking for a new way to become involved, there is a place for you! We encourage you to prayerfully consider trying one - or more - of our ensembles this fall. Come make music, build community, and help lead and enrich worship through your gifts! To learn more, contact **Brock Besse, Minister of Music & Worship**, at besse@bethellutheran.com, or scan the QR code to complete our online signup. 
2. Housed in the lower level of Bethel is **Bundles of Love**, a volunteer-driven charity helping families of newborns in and around Rochester. If you would like to help, some items needed for the bundles include size 1 diapers, baby wipes (72/pkg), baby wash (8-10 oz.), small infant toys (no eyeballs), and small cardboard books. Monetary donations are also welcome and may be left in the office or given online at bit.ly/donateonline-bethel. Please designate Mission of the Month. Thank you.
3. Join us for **Rally Sunday, September 13th!** Sunday School kids will have Meet the Leaders (1st day of class is 9/20) with a scavenger hunt from 10 – 10:30 am. Youth in 5th – 12th Grade can visit Youth Hall during that time. New Sunday School Parent Info Session is in Room 213/214 from 10:30 – 11 am. The carnival with bounce houses, facepainting and glitter tattoos, popcorn, freeze pops, and games will be in the Courtyard from 10:30 am – 12:30 pm.

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.

FLOWERS BY THE ALTAR

The flowers by the altar are in memory of
Roland Gene Wendelken
whose funeral was on Tuesday, August 25th. The flowers were given by Carol Wendelken and family.

CHILDREN'S NOISY OFFERING

Our children offerings will be directed to support
Food for Kidz

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