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ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING

Gathering Music "Holy, Holy, Holy" organ
 Welcome & Announcements
 Confession and Forgiveness
 Gathering Song "Holy, Holy, Holy" ELW 413, vs. 1, 2, 4
 Greeting & Prayer of the Day

WORD

First Reading Genesis 1:1-2:4a
 Psalm Psalm 8
 Children's Hymn "Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises" ELW 535, vs. 1
 Children's Word The Sign of the Cross
 Gospel Matthew 28:16-20
 Sermon With You Always
 Hymn of the Day "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" ELW 579
 (verses 1-3)
 Nicene 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 "God, Whose Almighty Word" ELW 673
 Dismissal
 Sending Music "Psalm XIX" organ

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Worship Participants

Preacher:

Rev. Michael Mandsager

Lector: David DeLone

Organist: Jim Bahler

Minister of Music & Worship:

Brock A. Besse



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Confession and Forgiveness		
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Greeting		
Kyrie		ELW p. 147
Canticle of Praise	"Glory to God"	ELW p. 148
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

Musical Offering	"One Jehovah"	Chancel Choir
First Reading	Genesis 1:1-2:4a	
Psalm	Psalm 8	
Children's Hymn	"Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises"	ELW 535, vs. 1
Children's Word	The Sign of the Cross	
Gospel Acclamation	"Alleluia"	ELW p. 151
Gospel	Matthew 28:16-20	
Sermon	With You Always	
Hymn of the Day	"Lord, You Give the Great Commission" (verses 1-3)	ELW 579
Nicene Creed		
Prayers of Intercession		
Gathering of Gifts		
Offering Prayer		
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Preacher:

Rev. Michael Mandsager

Worship Leaders:

Rev. Anjanette Bandel

Rev. Lisa Hawe

Lector: (9 am) Judy Gittus

(10:30 am) Judy Gittus

Organist: Jim Bahler

Minister of Music & Worship:

Brock A. Besse

Sign Language Interpreter:

Melissa Almer



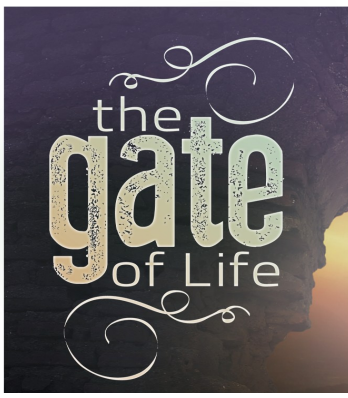
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Gate of Life is a service that will impact you musically, visually, and with the power of God's Word and Jesus' salvation as its backbone. **The name "Gate of Life" comes from the scripture John 10:9-10**, where Jesus says: *"I am the gate ... I came 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.

SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026

THE HOLY TRINITY



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WORSHIP INFORMATION

Bible Reading	Genesis 1:1-2:4a
Children's Sermon	The Sign of the Cross
Gospel	Matthew 28:16-20
Sermon Title	With You Always

Worship Participants:

Preacher: Rev. Michael Mandsager

The Gate of Life Worship Leader: Michele Nyman

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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
- **Sundays:** 9* am | 10:30 am ('Side by Side' - Families together at worship)
10:10 am Gate of Life (Contemporary Service with Holy Communion)
*9 am in-person worship offers an ASL interpreter and is Live-streamed through our YouTube channel: [youtube.com/user/RochBethelLutheran](https://www.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 & 10:30 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. **'We're Glad You Asked' Information Sessions:** The Bethel Church Council is hosting two upcoming sessions for all members to learn more about the church's shared mission, ministry, and current events. Led by Pastor Anjanette, the sessions will feature an in-depth financial update from Dave Turner regarding both the Annual Fund and the Mortgage Fund Reduction Fund, followed by an open Q&A. **Session Options (Both on Sunday, May 31st):** In-Person: **11:40 am in the Chapel (No RSVP required; just show up)**, or via **Zoom: 7 pm (RSVP to bandel@bethellutheran.com to receive the link)**.
2. **Join our outdoor groups this June**, starting with the **Holy Strollers walking group**, which welcomes all experience levels on Tuesdays at 8:30 am and Thursdays at 5:30 pm at Quarry Hill Park (June 2nd & 4th), Bear Creek Park (June 9th & 11th), and the John Withers Complex (June 16th & 18th). Additionally, the **Bethel Bikers** will host their first ride on Tuesday, June 2nd at 5:45 pm, meeting directly at the church. If you have any questions about either group, please contact Jeanne Townsend at 507-269-0271.
3. Registration is now open for **Rainforest Falls Vacation Bible School (VBS)** at Bethel, running from June 22nd to 25th from 9 am to 12 pm daily. The program is open to children currently in Pre-K 3 (3 by 9/1/25) through 4th grade, with a registration fee of \$25 per child; financial assistance is available by entering the code SCHOLARSHIP on the registration form. Bethel is also seeking volunteers—ranging from current 5th graders to adults—to help lead stations, guide kid crews, and more. **To secure a spot for your child or to sign up as a volunteer, please visit bethellutheran.com/cyf.**



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

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