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ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING

Gathering Music piano
 Welcome & Announcements
 Confession and Forgiveness
 Gathering Song “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice & Sing!” ELW 385
 (verses 1-3)
 Greeting
 Prayer of the Day

WORD

First Reading Acts 2:42-47
 Psalm Psalm 23
 Children’s Hymn “Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises” ELW 535, vs. 1
 Children’s Word Little Lambs
 Gospel John 10:1-10
 Sermon Good Gate
 Hymn of the Day “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” ELW 502
 (verses 1,3-6)
 Nicene Creed
 Prayers of Intercession
 Gathering of Gifts
 Offering Prayer

MEAL

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

SENDING

Blessing
 Sending Song “Leaning On the Everlasting Arms” ELW 774
 Dismissal
 Sending Music piano



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Preacher:

Rev. Lisa Hawe

Lector: Kathy Bolin

Pianist: Jan Matson

Minister of Music & Worship:
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Gathering Music	“Awake My Heart With Gladness”	organ
	“Just a Closer Walk With Thee”	Bethel Brass
Welcome & Announcements		
Call to Worship	“Ode To Joy”	Youth Orffestra
Confession and Forgiveness		
Gathering Song	“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice & Sing!”	ELW 385
	(verses 1-3)	
Greeting		
Kyrie		ELW p. 147
Canticle of Praise	“Glory to God”	ELW p. 148-149
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

Musical Offering	“Shepherd of My Soul”	Chancel Choir
First Reading	Acts 2:42-47	
Psalm	Psalm 23	
Children’s Hymn	“Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises”	ELW 535, vs. 1
Children’s Word	Little Lambs	
Gospel Acclamation	“Alleluia”	ELW p. 151
Gospel	John 10:1-10	
Sermon	Good Gate	
Hymn of the Day	“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”	ELW 502
	(verses 1,3-6)	
Nicene Creed		
Prayers of Intercession		
Gathering of Gifts	“Clap Your Hands Together”	Sing for Joy
Offering Prayer		
The Lord’s Prayer		ELW p. 112

SENDING

Blessing		
Sending Song	“Leaning On the Everlasting Arms”	ELW 774
Dismissal		
Sending Music	“The Strife is O’er”	organ



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Sign Language Interpreter:

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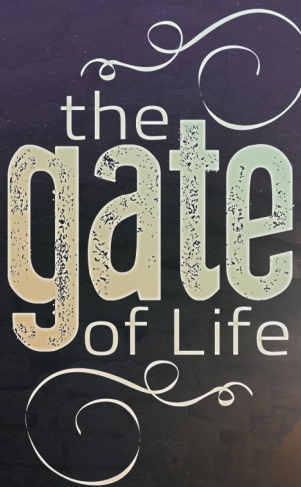
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Welcome to Our Contemporary Service!

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.



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gate
of Life



April 26th, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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WORSHIP INFORMATION

First Reading	Acts 2:42-47
Psalm	Psalm 23
Children's Sermon	Little Lambs
Gospel	John 10:1-10
Sermon Title	Good Gate

Worship Participants:

Preacher: Rev. Lisa Hawe

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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1. **Our Spring Rummage Sale is on Friday, May 15th 7:30 am - 2 pm, bag sale 2:15 - 4 pm.** Coffee, cinnamon rolls, cookies, bars, and a BBQ lunch for purchase. We accept furniture in good condition, spring/summer clothing, books, etc. Please do not bring computers, TVs, curtain rods/blinds, lighting or plumbing fixtures, microwaves, or out-of-season clothing. **DONATIONS** may be brought on Wednesday, **May 13th** from 4 - 8 pm, or Thursday, **May 14th**, from 8 am - 4 pm to Bethel Hall using the loading dock door or the south door of the church. Bring furniture and books to the Narthex (south door). Thank you in advance for your support of this wonderful event. All monies go to help support charities.
2. Would you like a refresher on what it means to be a Lutheran Christian? **Join the pastors as they each teach a class on a Thursday night in May.** Classes are open to lifetime Lutherans or anyone looking for a refresher to their confirmation classes. Come for one or all three sessions - you will get the most comprehensive experience if you attend all three. Classes are on Thursday nights, 5-6 pm in Room 115. Registration for classes is encouraged but not required: bit.ly/membership201
• May 7th | Pastor Michael Mandsager • May 14th | Pastor Lisa Hawe • May 21st | Pastor Anjanette Bandel
3. You are warmly invited to mark your calendar for the **annual Bethel Lutheran Church Music Department Concert on Wednesday, May 20th at 7 pm.** This special evening will feature newly prepared musical selections not previously presented during worship services, thoughtfully interwoven with scripture to create a meaningful and cohesive experience. The concert is free and open to all. We look forward to welcoming you.

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BAPTISM

- **Sunday, April 26th, 10:30 am** -

Lola James Macken,
daughter of Derrick &
Lindsay Macken
Sponsors: Aaron Macken &
Peyton Heyer

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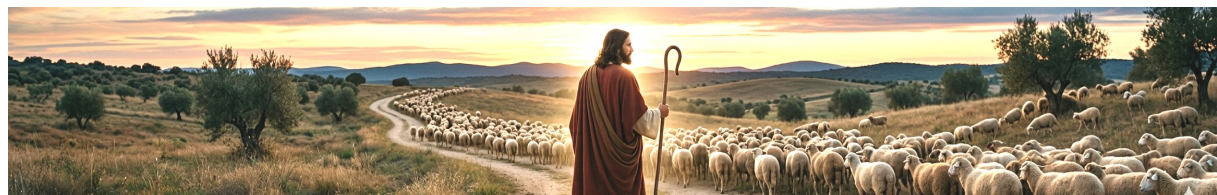
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Welcome		
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Sacrament of Holy Baptism	Lola James Macken	
Prayers of Intercession		
The Lord’s Prayer		ELW p. 154

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Announcements		
Blessing		
Sending Song	“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”	ELW 774
Dismissal		
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