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ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING

Gathering Music	"Cavatina"	organ
Welcome & Announcements		
Confession and Forgiveness		
Gathering Song	"Gather Us In" (verses 1-3)	ELW 532
Greeting		
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

First Reading	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	
Psalms	Psalms 1	
Children's Hymn	"This Little Light of Mine"	ELW 677, vs. 1
Children's Word	Welcome and Shine!	
Gospel	Luke 14:25-33	
Sermon	I Am a Disciple of Christ!	
Hymn of the Day	"Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said" (verses 1,2,4) tune ELW 676	ELW 667
Apostles' Creed		ELW p. 152
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	"Earth and All Stars" (verses 1,2,4)	ELW 731
Dismissal		
Sending Music	"Recessional in C Major"	organ



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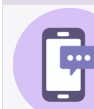
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Worship Participants

Preacher: Rev. Anjanette Bandel
Lector: Kathy Bolin
Organist: Jim Bahler
Minister of Music & Worship:
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Preacher: Rev. Anjanette Bandel

Worship Leaders:

Rev. Lisa Hawe

Rev. Michael Mandsager

Lector: (9 am) Sue Christian
(10:30 am) Lori Anderson

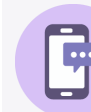
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Sign Language Interpreter:

Becky Wulff



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Welcome & Announcements		
Call to Worship	"The Gentle Stranger"	Ed Heckman & Roger Erickson
Confession & Forgiveness		
Gathering Song	"Gather Us In"	ELW 532, vs. 1-3
Sacrament of Holy Baptism:	Otto Nathan Ohnesorge (10:30 am)	
Greeting		
Kyrie		ELW p. 98
Canticle of Praise	"This is the Feast"	ELW p. 101
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

Musical Offering	"Celebration of Service"	Chancel Choir
First Reading	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	
Psalms	Psalms 1	
Children's Hymn	"This Little Light of Mine"	ELW 677, vs. 1
Children's Word	Welcome and Shine!	
Gospel Acclamation	"Alleluia"	ELW p. 102
Gospel	Luke 14:25-33	
Sermon	I Am a Disciple of Christ!	
Hymn of the Day	"Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said" (verses 1,2,4) tune ELW 676	ELW 667
Apostles' Creed (9 am)		ELW p. 152
Prayers of Intercession		
Gathering of Gifts & Offering Prayer		

MEAL

Sacrament of Holy Communion		
Words of Institution		
The Lord's Prayer		ELW p. 112
Distribution	"Lamb of God"	ELW p. 112
Distribution Hymn	"We Come to the Hungry Feast"	ELW 479
	"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"	ELW 335
Post Communion Prayer		

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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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September 7th, 2025
13th Sunday after Pentecost



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Gospel	Luke 14:25-33
Children's Sermon	Welcome and Shine!
Sermon Title	I am a Disciple of Christ!

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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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.

BAPTISM

- **September 7th, 10:30 am - Otto Nathan Ohnesorge**, son of Nathan & Kayla Ohnesorge.
Sponsors: Adam Ohnesorge & Benjamin Schuchard

CHILDREN'S NOISY OFFERING

Our children offerings will be directed to support **Christmas Anonymous**

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INFORMATION

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- **Saturdays:** 6 pm
- **Sundays:** 9* am | 10:30 am
10:10 am Gate of Life (Contemporary Service with Holy Communion)
* 9 am in-person worship offers an ASL interpreter and is recorded and available on Sunday mornings by 11 am through our YouTube channel: youtube.com/user/RochBethelLutheran
- **Videos of our services** are posted on our website: 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.

NOTE

No sign language interpreter will be available for worship next week, Sept. 14th. Sing language interpretation will resume on Sept. 21st.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

- A looping system is installed for those with compatible hearing aides.
- Assisted listening devices are available, please ask one of the ushers.
- Parenting room available on the back left of the sanctuary. Our nursery is open during Sunday services for parents to stay with their children.

3 OF THE MANY THINGS HAPPENING AT BETHEL

1. You are all invited to **Gate of Life Worship service 10th (oops 11th!) Anniversary Celebration** on September 14th at 10:10 am. We will host a cookie reception before and after the GOL service. Former band members and original GOL members will be present for memories and music. All members and friends of Bethel are invited. We hope to see you there for fun and fellowship.
2. Are you interested in becoming a member of Bethel? Plan to attend our **New Member Orientation 101 class** on Wednesday, September 17th at 6 pm via Zoom. Contact Sheri Kallembach (kallembach@bethellutheran.com) to register by September 9th.
3. Save the date! **The official dedication of our newly installed Wicks organ console and antiphonal division will be Sunday, October 5th, at 2 pm in the sanctuary.** To mark this special occasion, we are honored to welcome **Paul Fey, internationally acclaimed organist, composer, and media sensation.** We encourage you to invite friends, family, and neighbors to join us for this musical celebration. Don't miss this opportunity to experience the majesty of the Wicks pipe organ in the hands of one of today's most extraordinary talents!

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