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### GATHERING

**Gathering Music** "O Sons and Daughters" Organ  
**Welcome & Announcements**  
**Mission Minute** Minnesota Food Share Recap Video  
**Confession & Forgiveness**  
**Gathering Song** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" ELW 634  
 (verses 1,5,6)  
**Greeting**  
**Prayer of the Day**

### WORD

**Psalm** Psalm 23  
**Bible Reading** 1 John 3:16-24  
**Children's Hymn** "Jesus In the Morning" on screen  
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### MEAL

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**  
 Words of Institution  
 The Lord's Prayer  
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 Post Communion Blessing

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**Blessing**  
**Sending Song** "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" ELW 536  
**Dismissal**  
**Sending Music** "Come Ye Faithful" Organ



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April 20 & 21, 2024**

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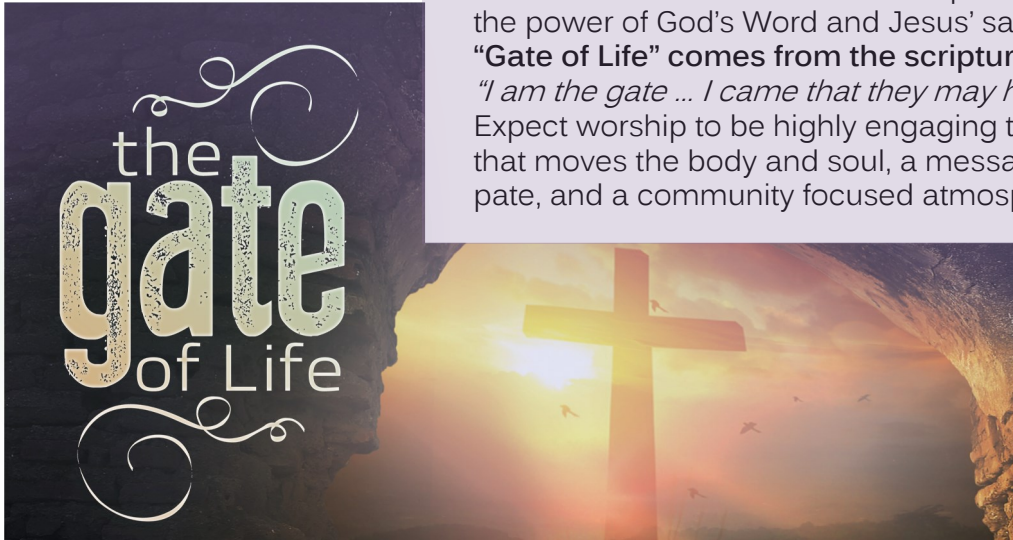
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## Welcome to Our Contemporary Service!

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.



**SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024**  
Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Gospel	John 10:11-18
Children's Sermon	Love in Action
Sermon Title	The Beloved "Others"

### Worship Participants:

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**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](mailto:nyman@bethellutheran.com).

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<b>Welcome &amp; Announcements</b>		
<b>Mission Minute</b>	Minnesota Food Share Recap Video	
<b>Call To Worship</b>	"As the Deer"	Bethel Ringers
<b>Confession &amp; Forgiveness</b>		
<b>Gathering Song</b>	"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (verses 1,5,6)	ELW 634
<b>Greeting</b>		
<b>Kyrie &amp; Hymn of Praise</b>	"Glory to God"	on screen
<b>Prayer of the Day</b>		

### WORD

<b>Musical Offering</b>	"Lead Me On the Paths of Righteousness"	Chancel Choir
<b>Psalm</b>	Psalm 23	
<b>Bible Reading</b>	`1 John 3:16-24	
<b>Children's Hymn</b>	"Jesus In the Morning"	on screen
<b>Children's Word</b>	Love in Action	
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	"Alleluia"	on screen
<b>Gospel</b>	John 10:11-18	
<b>Sermon</b>	The Beloved "Others"	
<b>Hymn of the Day</b>	"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" (verses 1,2,4)	ELW 789
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### MEAL

<b>Words of Institution</b>		
<b>The Lord's Prayer</b>		
<b>Distribution</b>	"Lamb of God"	
<b>Distribution Hymn</b>	"Soul, Adorn Yourself" "Just As I Am"	ELW 488 ELW 592
<b>Post Communion Prayer</b>		

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<b>Blessing</b>		
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