

***Sending***

**Benediction**

**Sending Hymn**                      “Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!”                      **#382**

**Dismissal**                      Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. **Thanks be to God!**

Please hold in prayer this week	
Diane (Sister of Duwaine & Larry)	Joshua Anderson
Lois Gustafson	Tyson Hudspeth
Margee Baker	Karyn Baell
Lori Storms	Lyle Lund
Boyd Lundquist	Denielle Breimhorst

Worship Leaders for April 16		Worship Leaders for April 23	
<b>Preacher</b>	Bryant Bakkum	<b>Preacher</b>	Bryant Bakkum
<b>Pianist</b>	Ann Decker	<b>Organist</b>	Barb Steers
<b>Acolyte</b>	Taylor Breimhorst	<b>Acolyte</b>	
<b>Lector</b>	Stephanie Cardinal	<b>Lector</b>	Evelyn Grimm
<b>Run A/V</b>	Josh Bugbee	<b>Run A/V</b>	
<b>Ushers</b>	Mark & Brenda Lundquist	<b>Ushers</b>	Olav & Ruth Steen
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Barb Steers, Mark & Brenda Lundquist	<b>Altar Guild</b>	Barb Steers, Mark & Brenda Lundquist
<b>Altar Flowers</b>		<b>Altar Flowers</b>	Stacy Trimbo
<b>Fellowship</b>	Stephanie, LuAnn & Evelyn	<b>Fellowship</b>	Youth Pancake Breakfast

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**God Invites Our Generosity**

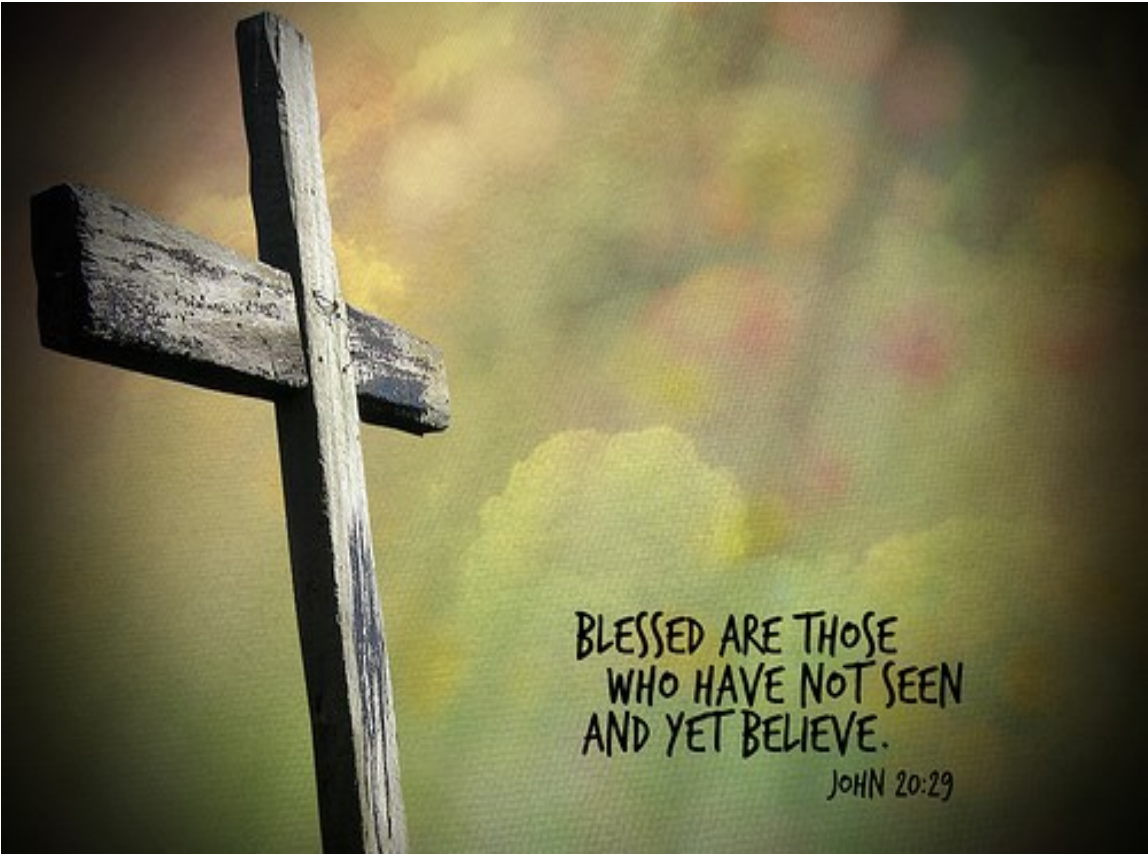
Holy Week and April 9th Offering: \$2,245

Easter Offering (designated for replacement of air conditioning units): \$2,131

Attendance: 175

**Second Sunday of Easter**

April 16, 2023 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



***East Union Lutheran Church***

*Carver, Minnesota*

Gathering

Ringling of the Bell  
Welcome  
Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life. Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring. In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

Satisfy the world’s need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever. Amen.

Gathering Hymn “Now the Green Blade Rises” #379  
Greeting  
This Is the Feast page 149

Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ’s blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

Kid’s sermon  
First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

After the Holy Spirit comes to the apostles on Pentecost, Peter preaches the gospel to the gathered crowd. He tells them that Jesus, who obediently went to his death according to God’s plan, was raised from the dead by God. Finally, he appeals to scripture, quoting Psalm 16:8-11, to show that Jesus is the Messiah: though crucified, the risen Jesus is now enthroned.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

This epistle was written to encourage Christians experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ. The letter opens by blessing God for the living hope we have through Christ’s resurrection even amid difficult circumstances and surroundings.

Gospel Acclamation page 151

The Holy Gospel John 20:19-31

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. But one of their number is missing, and his unbelief prompts another visit from the Lord.

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum  
Hymn of the Day “The Risen Christ” #390  
Prayers of the People Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song “We Are an Offering” #692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving page 152  
Holy, Holy, Holy page 153  
Words of Institution  
The Lord’s Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven... page 154  
Communion Hymns “Lamb of God” page 154  
“Break Now the Bread of Life” #515

Prayer after Communion—Let us pray together:

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus’ name. Amen.