

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn

“Have No Fear, Little Flock”

#764

Dismissal

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

Please hold in prayer this week

Lois Gustafson

Karyn Baell

Lori Storms

John Bruner

Boyd Lundquist

Family of Lyle Lund

Tyson Hudspeth

Worship Leaders for April 30

Preacher Bryant Bakkum

Organist Barb Steers

Acolyte

Lector Melina Simonson

Run A/V

Ushers LuAnn Haas & Tom Petersen

Altar Guild Barb Steers, Mark & Brenda Lundquist

Altar Flowers

Fellowship Stephanie, Sandy, Toby & Larry

Worship Leaders for May 7

Preacher Bryant Bakkum

Organist Barb Steers

Acolyte

Lector Paul Lundquist

Run A/V

Ushers Larry Goetze & Doug Hillstrom

Altar Guild Rick & Connie Beck

Altar Flowers

Fellowship Paul & Jeanne Lundquist

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God Invites Our Generosity

4/23/23 Offering: \$3,023

Attendance: 77

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Hymn Sing
Ringing 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.

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 “I Know That My Redeemer Lives!”, vs. 1, 5, 6 & 8 #619
Greeting

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Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid’s sermon
First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Today’s reading is a description of life in the community following Peter’s sermon on the day of Pentecost, when the Spirit was poured out on God’s people. The new community is sustained in worship and fellowship, shares what they have, and ensures that everyone has enough.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:19-25

Doing the right things does not guarantee that one will not experience difficulties, hardships, rejection, or even suffering. Here Christ is presented as the model for our path of endurance and loyalty to God, particularly amid adversity.

Gospel Acclamation page 151

The Holy Gospel John 10:1-10

Jesus uses an image familiar to the people of his day to make a point about spiritual leadership. Those who listen to Jesus are led to abundant life.

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day “The Lord’s My Shepherd” #778

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

“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us” #789

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.