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EAST UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH
15180 COUNTY ROAD 40, CARVER, MN



Resurrection of Our Lord

April 5, 2026 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Call to Worship “Hallelujah” from Handel’s Messiah **Pastor Bryant & Barb**
Thanksgiving for Baptism

P: Alleluia! Christ Is Risen! **C: Christ Is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!**

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb! **Amen.** Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you. **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you. **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you. **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever. **Amen.** P: Christ Is Risen! **C: Christ Is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!**

Gathering Hymn “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” **#365**

- 1 Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 3 But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia! Praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Weekly Announcements

Easter Special Offering—Your council has selected to designate the Easter Special Offering this year to the East Union General Fund. Please remember that you always have the option of directing your funds - simply state your preference on your check or offering envelope. Your offerings are always welcome and much appreciated.

Environmental Talk—Join us during Fellowship on April 19th. Dr. Jill Wasik, Professor of Environmental Science, will be hosting a talk about microplastics in our environment.

Carver Stories—Come to the Carver City Hall on April 19th at 5pm, to hear interviews from Dale Koktan, Mike Wedolek and Luanne Kloos Anderson.

Pancake Breakfast—There will be a pancake breakfast following worship on April 26th. Pancakes, sausage and fruit will be served. Free will offering. All are welcome!

Gathering Thru Fellowship—We are looking forward to our next gathering on May 2nd at 10am in the Parish Center. All are welcome to participate or visit!



Spring Plant Sale—Mark your calendars for our Annual Spring Plant Sale Plus Homemade Bake & Craft Sale on May 9th from 8am – Noon. There will be hanging baskets, vegetables, herbs, flowering annuals, fertilizer and potting soil. Plus, crafts, baked goods & a quilt raffle. Quilt Raffle Tickets are available now. They are \$2/ticket, proceeds donated to the local food shelf. Please contact Rochelle Hasse or the church office to buy tickets. Winner will be drawn at our Plant Sale on May 9th.

Vacation Bible School—Mark your calendars, East Union VBS will be held July 27th—July 30th. Theme is Rainforest Falls, exploring the nature of God. **Registration forms** are coming soon!



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God Invites Our Generosity

3/29/26 Offering (envelopes & online giving): \$4,355

Attendance: 96

Word

Sending Hymn

“Thine Is the Glory”

#376

- 1 Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won! Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Refrain

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!

- 2 Lo, Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb! Lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom; let his church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting! *Refrain*

- 3 No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life; life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than conqu'rors, through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. *Refrain*

Dismissal Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God, Alleluia!

Please hold in prayer this week

Daniel Berg	Angie Pantlin
Wendy	Bob Steege
Carol Bastianello	Charles Massey
Mabel Hughes	Roger Sames
Koreen Larson	

Worship Leaders for April 5		Worship Leaders for April 12	
Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers	Organist	Barb Steers
Lector	Brenda Lundquist	Lector	Kathy Schallberg
Run A/V		Run A/V	
Ushers		Ushers	Todd & Linda Johnson
Altar Guild	Lori & Jamie Scott	Altar Guild	Lori & Jamie Scott
		Altar Flowers	Todd & Linda
		Fellowship	Kelli—Carver Ridge

Kid's Sermon

Special Music

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing/
Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”

Choir

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, “receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Psalm 118

Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good; God's mercy endures forever.

Let Israel now declare, “God's mercy endures forever.”

The Lord is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:

“The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!

The right hand of the Lord is exalted! The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!”

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.

Gospel Acclamation

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 28:1-10

Sorrow gives way to “fear and great joy” when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!

Sermon

Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day

“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”

#367

- 1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds in praise of love that still abounds: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear! Repeat their song of glory here: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Eternal is the gift he brings, therefore our heart with rapture sings: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Now still he comes to give us life and by his presence stills all strife. "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; set heart and will on things above that we conquer through your triumph; grant grace sufficient for life's day that by our lives we truly say: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 Adoring praises now we bring and with the heav'nly blessed sing: "Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!" Be to the Father, and our Lord, to Spirit blest, most holy God, all the glory, never ending! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Nicene Creed **page 104**

Prayers of the People Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song “Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing”, vs 1 **#389**

- 1 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving **page 144**

Holy, Holy, Holy **page 144**

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Communion Hymns “Lamb of God” **page 146**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!” **#369**

- 1 Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia! Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia! Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia! At the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!
- 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia! Sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia! Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! Now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

- 3 Christ, the victim undefiled, Alleluia! God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia! When contending death and life, Alleluia! Met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!

- 4 Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia! All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia! Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia! Now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!” **#377**

- 1 Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light! Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

Refrain

Jesus is risen and we shall arise. Give God the glory! Alleluia!

- 2 Walking the way, Christ in the center telling the story to open our eyes; breaking our bread, giving us glory: Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. *Refrain*

- 3 Jesus the vine, we are the branches; life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree; heaven to earth, Christ to the people, gift of the future now flowing to me. *Refrain*

- 4 Weeping, be gone; sorrow, be silent: death put asunder, and Easter is bright. Cherubim sing: O grave, be open! Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. *Refrain*

- 5 City of God, Easter forever, golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb, river of life, saints and archangels, sing with creation to God the I AM! *Refrain*

Prayer after Communion—Let us pray together:

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

Sending

Benediction