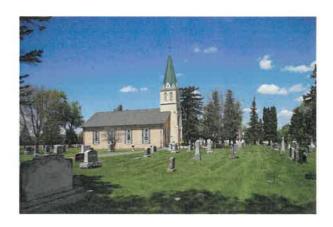
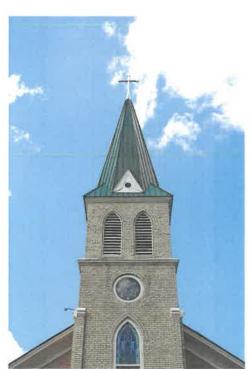
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### **EAST UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Carver, Minnesota www.eulc.org 952-448-3450

### Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m.

Worship

with Holy Communion on 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays

10:00 a.m.

**Coffee Fellowship** 

# August 2024

# **East Union Lutheran Church**

25 "Protection & Deliverance"  9am Worship  10am Fellowship	18 "Daily Provisions"  9am Worship-Communion (Bring a Friend to Worship)  10am Classic Car Show & Fellowship	11 "Lord's Prayer"  9am Worship 10am Fellowship 10am Outreach Meeting	4 "Holy Spirit" 9am Worship-Communion 10am Fellowship	Pastor Bryant's Office Hours: Mon—Wed 8:30am-Noon Darcy's Office Hours: Tues & Thurs 9am-2pm	Sunday
26 1pm Quilting Group	19	12 1pm Quilting Group 7pm Dahlgren Township Mtg	5 7:30pm Softball 8:40pm Softball		Monday
27 10am Bible Study	20 10am Bible Study 6:30pm Council Meeting	13 10am Bible Study 7am-8pm Dahlgren Election	6 10am Bible Study		Tuesday
28	21	14 8:30am Card Ministry	7		Wednesday
29	22	15	8	1	Thursday
30	23	16	9	2	Friday
31	24	17	10	3	Saturday

### Words from Pastor Bryant

Dear disciples,

I've got Vacation Bible School on the mind. The kids just wrapped up a fun week where they learned about how God is real, they can trust Jesus, and how the Holy Spirit uplifts them with peace and love!

Vacation Bible School is a palate cleanser, if you will. What do I mean by this? Well, for example: My office is filled with books. Books on Martin Luther, the meaning of communion and baptism, Lutheran theologies, hymnals, pastoral care, church history, and Greek and Hebrew translations of the Bible.

In other words, some heavy and complicated topics. There's nothing inherently wrong with such things—however, I think it can be easy as a follower of Jesus to get bogged down in the minutiae of faith. As adults, perhaps we find ourselves trapped by questions of "why" and "how" and "what."

As adults, perhaps we try to whisk the mystery of faith away in an attempt to answer as many questions as we possibly can. To understand and fully know so that all doubt and worry are removed.

That's where spending a week with the Vacation Bible School kids has been a wonderful reminder for me. A reminder of the innocence and wonder of following Jesus. A reminder of the joy and laughter that comes with friendship. A reminder of the bonds of trust and love that come with community.

Trust, hope, and love that are not only found in complicated theological topics, but instead through the people around us. Kids hold their faith gently and lightly—a wonderful reminder for us adults—that although at times we may press deep and ask big questions—at times we also need to take a deep breath and simply trust.

Trust God. Trust that Jesus loves us. And trust that the Holy Spirit is with us. Kids are filled with bubbling joy and excitement and love—may we, too, find that same passion and innocence as we faithfully follow the one who loves us abundantly, Jesus Christ.

Peace,

**Pastor Bryant** 

### **August Theme**

Our theme for this month is *Luther's Small Catechism*. Throughout August, we will continue peeling back the pages of Luther's Small Catechism. Included within its pages are the 10 Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and Luther's thoughts on baptism and communion. Together, we'll uncover the roots of our faith lives so that we will be set free to proclaim Jesus to all the world!

### **Bible Study**

Bible Study continues every Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. in the Parish Center. All are welcome!



### Church Softball League

Come cheer on The East Union Steeple People. Games are played at Lion's Park in Chaska. We play on August 5th at 7:30pm & 8:40pm.

### Outreach & Evangelism Committee

We are looking for more members with ideas for the Outreach Committee. If you are interested, please talk with LuAnn Haas, Cheryl Hubbard or Connie Beck. The Outreach Committee will meet on August 11<sup>th</sup> after worship.



### Card Ministry Team

The Card Ministry Team is here for anyone in need of Christ's love through a card. The Team will meet on August 14th at 8:30am.

### Bring a Friend to Worship & Classic/Unique Car Show

Mark your calendars for August 18<sup>th</sup> and bring a friend to church! We are also having a classic and unique car show during Fellowship. If you have a classic car, please bring it to worship.

### Steamboat Days Parade

The parade is on Sunday, Sept 8th at 1:00pm. We need volunteers and donations for the following: Provide potted and hanging flowering plants for the float. Donate bags for wrapped candy to be given to children during the parade. Volunteers are needed to walk in the parade passing out the seed packets. This parade is a wonderful opportunity to share our faith and love for Jesus with the Carver community.



### Rally Sunday & Potluck

Join us on September 15<sup>th</sup> for Rally Sunday & Potluck. Everyone is welcome!

### **Sunday School**

Sunday School starts on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. (Registration forms can be found in the newsletter, at the Parish Center and on the website). Please return them to the church office. We are looking for a teacher and volunteers to help with the Sunday School Program. If you are interested, talk to Mel at church or call her at 320-304-1557.

### Looking Into the Future:

- October 5th—Gathering Thru Fellowship
- October 24th & 25th—Quilt Retreat
- October 26th—Trunk N Treat Event
- November 3rd—Fall Dinner



### Meetings

If you have any on-going meetings at the church, please let the office know so it can be added to the church calendars. We want to make sure everyone knows when meetings are happening and to prevent double bookings. Thanks.

### Thank You Notes

During VBS, 13-15 children (depending upon the day), had the opportunity to participate in Vacation Bible School. By all accounts they had a great time. The volunteer staff was led by Mel Simonson. Her leadership and organizational skills made the week very successful. She would be the first to tell us she had help from many other volunteers. It is estimated these volunteers contributed hundreds of hours of their time pre-planning and hosting this event.

To all the volunteers, please know that you helped those kids create positive memories that will last a lifetime. THANK YOU!!!!!

We'd like to give a heartfelt "Thank You" to all of our church family and friends who attended and helped make our Mom's service a true celebration of her life. A special thanks to all who worked to serve the lunch and provide bars.



Randy, Jamie, Terry Scott and families.

A big thank you to everyone who donated school supplies and to all the volunteers who helped at our School Supply Event. This is a great community outreach event, and we appreciate all your help and donations!

### Festivals, Fairs & Farmer's Markets

**CORN FEST** at Valleyfair in Shakopee. Join the shuckin' good time celebrating Minnesota's golden crop! This cornucopia of fun brings you cornalicious delights galore – from sweet to savory – along with live and local music plus fun games, like our corn-

eating contest. Time: 11 a.m. - 7: p.m.

Dates: 08/17/2024 08/31/2024 08/18/2024 09/01/2024 08/24/2024 09/02/2024

08/25/2024



### Carver County Fair—August 7-11, 2024

Join the fun in Waconia at the Carver County Fairgrounds, 501 West 3<sup>rd</sup> St. in Waconia! Grandstand events, live music, midway, food, pig races and lots more!

Cost: \$9/ kids 6 and under free

More Info at: www.carvercountyfair.com or 952-442-2333

### Minnesota Renaissance Festival—Shakopee

Dates: 08/17/2024 08/18/2024

08/24/2024 08/25/2024

Time: 9a.m. - 7p.m., rain or shine

More dates and info at: <a href="https://renaissancefest.com">https://renaissancefest.com</a>

Minnesota State Fair--1265 Snelling Ave, N, St. Paul, MN

Dates: Aug. 22, 2024 - Sept. 2, 2024

More Info at: <a href="https://www.mnstatefair.org">https://www.mnstatefair.org</a>



Carver County Farmers Market: <a href="https://">https://</a>

www.facebook.com/carvermnfarmersmarket Every Tuesday from now through October 1 from 3:00 PM-6:00 PM at Carver Station,1607 Hartwell Drive

**Bongards Farmers Market:** <a href="https://bongardsmarket.com">https://bongardsmarket.com</a>

Every Wednesday from now through September 25 from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at Heritage Shopping Center, 640 Railroad Drive, Norwood Young America, MN

**Downtown Chaska Farmers Market**: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/downtownchaskafarmersmarket">https://www.facebook.com/downtownchaskafarmersmarket</a> Every Wednesday from now through October 2, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (June 5 – Aug. 21) and 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Aug. 28 – Oct. 2) Located at Firemen's Park in Chaska

Victoria Farmers Market at Enki Brewing: <a href="https://www.enkibrewing.com/farmers-market">https://www.enkibrewing.com/farmers-market</a> Every Thursday from now through September 5, 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., at ENKI Brewing, 1495 Stieger Lake Lane, Victoria

**Chanhassen Farmers Market:** <a href="https://www.chanhassenfarmersmarket.org">https://www.chanhassenfarmersmarket.org</a>
Every Saturday from now through September 28, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at City Center Park, Chanhassen

### Weird Fun Facts from Thefactsite.com:

- **1. Snakes can predict earthquakes!** Many animals are able to predict earthquakes to varying levels of success. Yet, snakes are the most reliable, sensing earthquakes from as far as 75 miles away (121 km). They can even sense an earthquake five days before it actually occurs!
- **2.** Bananas are curved because they grow toward the sun. Bananas go through a process called "negative geo-tropism." This process causes the fruit to grow upwards toward the sun instead of the ground. This, in turn, gives the banana its familiar curved shape.
- **3. Squirrels cause approximately 10-20% of US power outages.** Squirrels tend to chew things but combine this with power lines, and there's going to be a problem. Squirrel-induced blackouts are much smaller and easier to fix than a blackout caused by a storm, as generally, there's just one cable to repair.

# CLASSIC & UNIQUE CAR SHOW

BRINGA FRIEND TO WORSHIP



SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2024
9AM WORSHIP 10AM FELLOWSHIP & CAR SHOW

Calling all classic and unique car enthusiasts!

Come to worship and stay for Fellowship and Car Show.

If you have a classic or unique car, bring it to worship!

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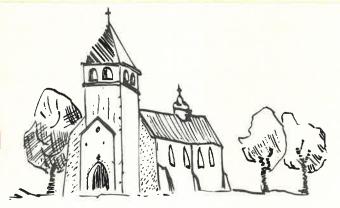
## RALLY Sunday

### September 15th Worship @ 9am Celebration @ 10am

Join us as we kick-off the Fall with food, fellowship and fun!

Potluck • Bounce House • Games Bingo • Backpack Blessing • Prizes

East Union
Lutheran Church





### East Union Lutheran Church Sunday School Registration 2024/2025

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven" Matthew 19:14

Sunday school classes are held for children ages 3 through grade 5 on Sundays from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. Sunday school is open to members and non-members.

Rally Sunday is on September 15. The first day of Sunday school will begin on Sunday, September 22.

Please bring this completed form to East Union Lutheran Church. You may also email the completed form to eastunionlc@gmail.com or mail it to:

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Please contact the Youth & Education Committee if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions. We welcome and appreciate all ideas and assistance.

God bless you and your family!

### Sunday School Registration Form-cont'd

Are you members of East Union Lutheran Church?

Are you interested in learning more about becoming members? Y or N

Child's name:

Birthdate:

Age & grade:

Baptized? (Y or N)

Please list any allergies, dietary or special needs:

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Telephone:\_\_\_\_\_Email:\_\_\_\_\_\_

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### Volunteers/helpers needed

Our Sunday school needs volunteer helpers in the following areas. Please check your area of interest.

☐ Sunday school teacher (every other Sunday)	
☐ An extra pair of hands when needed	
☐ Other?	

### Sunday School Registration Form—cont'd

Consent to use photos or video for Sunday school/church purposeyesno						
Signature:						
East Union Lutheran Church Accident Waiver and Release of Liability						
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