

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

#656

Dismissal

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

Please hold in prayer this week	
Daniel Berg	Koreen Larson
Wendy	Charles Massey
Carol Bastianello	Beth Martin
Jacki Bowers	Racheal Maxwell
Chris Stai	Joy Zangl

Worship Leaders for August 30		Worship Leaders for September 6	
Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers	Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte		Lector	Mel Simonson
Lector	Todd Johnson	Run A/V	
Run A/V	Josh Bugbee	Ushers	Larry Goetze & Doug Hillstrom
Ushers	Larry Goetze & Doug Hillstrom	Altar Guild	Jeri Bowers & Carrie Hron
Altar Guild	Todd & Linda Johnson	Altar Flowers	
Altar Flowers		Fellowship	Paul & Jeanne
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God Invites Our Generosity

8/23/26 Offering (envelopes & online giving): \$2,150

Attendance: 58

Pentecost

August 30, 2026 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Hymn Sing
Welcome
Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose compassion endures forever. Amen.
Let us confess our sin to God. Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God, we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.

Jesus says, “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” In the name of God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God’s love. Amen.

Gathering Hymn “Lift High the Cross” #660
Greeting & This Is the Feast #166

Prayer of the Day

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid’s Sermon
First Reading: Jeremiah 15:15-21

Jeremiah’s delight in the word of the Lord is contradicted by the heaviness of God’s hand upon him and God’s seeming unfaithfulness. God’s tough love to Jeremiah says that if he repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is strengthened by the simple words, “I am with you.”

Psalm 26

Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity; I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
Test me, O Lord, and try me; examine my heart and my mind.
For your steadfast love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you.
I have not sat with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful.
I have hated the company of evildoers; I will not sit down with the wicked.
I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, that I may go in procession round your altar.

Second Reading: Romans 12:9-21

Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.

Gospel Acclamation “Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?” page 151
The Holy Gospel Matthew 16:21-28

After Peter confesses that Jesus is “the Messiah, the Son of the living God” (16:16), Jesus reveals the ultimate purpose of his ministry. These words prove hard to accept, even for a disciple whom Jesus has called a “rock.”

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum
Hymn of the Day “Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song” #808
Prayers of the People Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.
Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song “Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful” #182

Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving & Holy, Holy, Holy page 152
Words of Institution
The Lord’s Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven... page 154
Communion “Lamb of God” page 154
“Will You Let Me Be Your Servant” #659

Prayer after Communion—Let us pray together:

Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.