

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn “O God Beyond All Praising” #880

Dismissal Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Please hold in prayer this week	
Boyd Lundquist	Miles
Daniel Berg	Angie Pantlin
Wendy	Bob Steege
Carol Bastianello	Charles Massey
Mabel Hughes	Roger Sames
Katie Yanez	

Worship Leaders for August 3		Worship Leaders for August 10	
Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers	Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte	Emma Borgstrom	Acolyte	
Lector	Linda Johnson	Lector	Kyle Bakkum
Run A/V		Run A/V	Lori & Jamie Scott
Ushers	Larry Goetze & Doug Hillstrom	Ushers	Kyle Bakkum & Dave Lundquist
Altar Guild	Tom & Mel Simonson	Altar Guild	Tom & Mel Simonson
Altar Flowers	Jan Lundquist	Altar Flowers	Colemans
Fellowship	Dave & Jan Lundquist	Fellowship	Kent & Rochelle Hasse

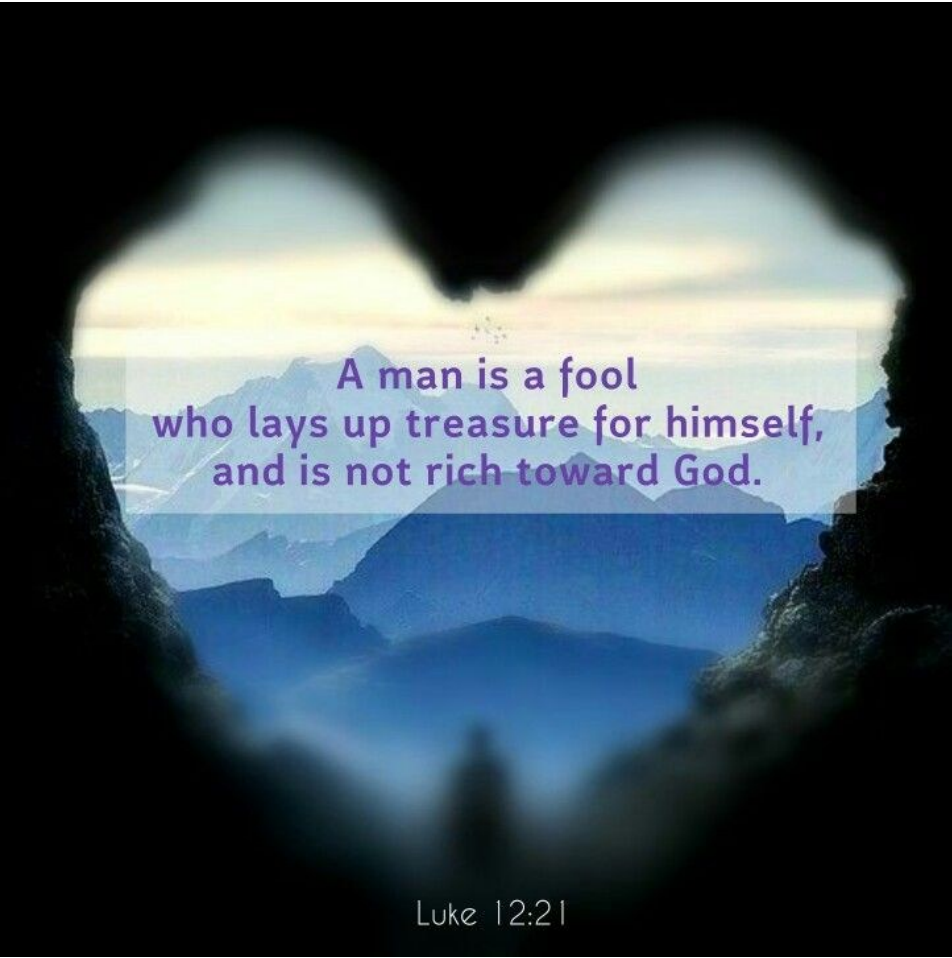
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God Invites Our Generosity

7/27/25 Offering: \$2,594
Attendance: 68

Pentecost

August 3, 2025 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church
Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Prelude
Welcome, Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God’s children through faith. In the cross of ☩ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. Amen.

Gathering Hymn “Be Thou My Vision” #793
Greeting & This Is the Feast page 140
Prayer of the Day

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid’s Sermon
Special Music
First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

The teacher of wisdom who wrote Ecclesiastes sees that working for mere accumulation of wealth turns life into an empty game, a “vanity of vanities.” Nevertheless, he asserts in the next verse, it is good to find enjoyment in one’s work because such enjoyment is a gift from God.

Psalm 49
Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,
You of high degree and low, rich and poor together.
My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.
I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.

Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels sur- rounds me,
The wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess, and boast of their great riches?

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-11

Life in Christ includes a radical reorientation of our values. Just as the newly baptized shed their old clothes and put on new garments, so Christians are called to let go of greed and take hold of a life shaped by God’s love in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation “Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?” page 142
The Holy Gospel Luke 12:13-21

In God’s reign, the “rich will be sent away empty.” Jesus uses a parable to warn against identifying the worth of one’s life with the value of one’s possessions rather than one’s relationship with God.

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum
Hymn of the Day “Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service” #712
Prayers of the People Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.
Sharing of the Peace
Offering
Offertory Song “We All Are One in Mission”, vs. 1 #576
Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving & Holy, Holy, Holy page 144
Words of Institution
The Lord’s Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven... page 145
Communion Hymns “Lamb of God” page 146
“Now We Join in Celebration” #462
“Let Us Break Bread Together” #471

Prayer after Communion—Let us pray together:

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus’ name. Amen.