

East Union Lutheran Church **Weekly Announcements** Sunday, December 18th

Thank you— A huge thank you to the Sunday School Youth for the Christmas Program today!



Come home for the Holidays Christmas Worship—We will celebrate Jesus' birth on December 24th at **4pm and 5:30pm**. Worship on Sunday, December 25th will be at **10am**.

Prayers & Devotions — Join Pastor on Facebook each Monday for Prayers and Wednesdays for Devotions – <https://www.facebook.com/eastunionlc/>

Youth Mission Trip — We are in the midst of planning a Youth Mission Trip to Chicago this summer with our partners at West Union Lutheran Church. This trip is open to youth grades 7-12. Please contact Pastor Bryant or Pastor Adam for additional details.

Offering Envelopes—Please pick your 2023 envelopes up at the Parish Center. Thank you.

Silent Auction Donations—We are looking ahead to our Spaghetti Dinner on February 11, 2023. We'd love your help to start thinking of donation items or have a business contact for the Silent Auction. Watch for more details!

Year End Committee Reports Deadline Upcoming - Reminder to all committee chairs that year end committee reports will be due to the church office the first week of January to allow Darcy enough time to assemble the Annual Report.



Christmas Offering—This year the offering will be given to:
ELCA: Horn of Africa Drought and Every Meal.

God Invites Our Generosity
Giving YTD: \$110,395, Budget YTD: \$152,000

Children's Christmas Program

December 18, 2022 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



4TH SUNDAY *OF Advent*

East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome

Confession & Forgiveness

God of new beginnings, we confess that we have not welcomed your holy reign. We have strayed from your paths. We prepare for war instead of peace. We dishonor one another and your creation. Purify us with your refining fire and set us again on your way of love, that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance, and welcome your coming among us. Amen.

Gathering Hymn “’Twas in the Moon of Wintertime” **#284**

Greeting

This Is the Feast **page 140**

Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that hinders our faith, that eagerly we may receive your promises, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-16

Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7

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

Offering

Offertory Song	“We Are an Offering”	#692
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*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.*

The Great Thanksgiving **page 144**

Holy, Holy, Holy **page 144**

The Lord's Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven... **page 145**

Communion Hymns “Lamb of God” page 146

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly” #461

“Eat This Bread” **#472**

Benediction

Sending Hymn “Fling Wide the Door” **#259**

Dismissal Go in peace. Christ is near. **Thanks be to God!**

Please hold in prayer this week

Peggy Scott
Diane (Sister of Duwaine & Larry)
Lois Gustafson
Margee Baker
Lori Storms

Boyd Lundquist
Tom Fisher
Rich Schallberg
Chris Goetze