

# *East Union Lutheran Church*

## ***Weekly Announcements***

**Sunday, December 25th**

**Pastor Bryant's Installation**—Please join us for cake to celebrate Pastor's installation during Fellowship on Sunday, January 8th.

**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.

### **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

### **God Invites Our Generosity**

12/18/22 Offering: \$2,924  
Giving YTD: \$113,395, Budget YTD: \$152,000  
Attendance: 76, Live Stream: 70

## **Christmas Day**

December 25, 2022 • 10:00 a.m. Worship



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*Carver, Minnesota*

Gathering

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the Word made flesh, our life and our salvation. **Amen.** Trusting the goodness and lovingkindness of God our Savior, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of life, **you promise good news of great joy for all people, and call us to be messengers of your peace. We confess that too often we hoard our joy, our resources, and our security. We nurture conflict and build barriers. We neglect the needs of our neighbors and ignore the groaning of creation. Have mercy on us. Where we are self-centered, open our hearts. Where we are reluctant, give us courage. Where we are cynical, restore our trust. Renew us with your grace and give us again the hope of eternal life in you. Amen.**

Hear the good news: We are children of God and heirs of God’s promises through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. In ☩ Jesus we are forgiven and redeemed. Sing with joy, for all the ends of the earth shall know the salvation of God. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” #270

Greeting

Kyrie page 138

Glory to God page 139

Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

All-powerful and unseen God, the coming of your light into our world has brightened weary hearts with peace. Call us out of darkness, and empower us to proclaim the birth of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid’s Sermon

First Reading: Isaiah 62:6-12

Second Reading: Titus 3:4-7

Gospel Acclamation “Angels We Have Heard on High” #289

*Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o’er the plains, and the mountains in reply, echoing their joyous strains. Gloria in excelsis Deo; gloria in excelsis Deo.*

The Holy Gospel John 1:1-14

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day “O Little Town of Bethlehem” #279

Nicene Creed page 104

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song “O Come, All Ye Faithful” #283

*O Come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant! O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; come and behold him, born the king of angels: O come, let us adore him, O come , let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!*

Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

God of abundance, receive and bless these gifts we have offered. Join our hearts with the song of the angels, and gather us at your table of celebration. Strengthen us to share with all the world the abundance of your grace upon grace, poured out in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

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

The Lord’s Prayer Our Father in heaven... page 145

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn “Joy to the World” #267

Dismissal Christ the Savior is born! Go in peace. Proclaim this good news. Thanks be to God!