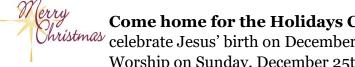
# East Union Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

Sunday, December 4th

Sunday School Christmas Program— The Sunday School Youth will be putting on their annual Christmas Program on December 18th during worship.



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

Offering Envelopes—If you are using Tithe.ly and choose to not use giving envelopes, please email the church office. 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.



Pastor Bryant's contact information—If you need to contact Pastor Bryant, you can either call his cell phone, 952-567-9554, or email him, pastorbakkum@gmail.com. His office hours are Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, from 8:30am-4:30pm.

#### **God Invites Our Generosity**

11/27/22 Offering: \$1,571 Attendance: 80, Live Stream: 148

## Advent

December 4, 2022 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



# East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

## Gathering

Ringing of the Bell Welcome

**Advent Wreath Song** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel", vs. 3 & 4

**Confession & Forgiveness** 

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things. **Blessed be God's name forever. Amen.** Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep. Let us confront our sins, and confess them to the one who is merciful and just. *Silence is kept for reflection*.

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.

People of God, a new thing is growing in our midst, a tender branch, a living sign. By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder. You have put on + Christ, and your sins have been washed away. Rejoice in the way of the Lord. **Amen.** 

Gathering Hymn "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry" #249

Greeting

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**Prayer of the Day**—Let us pray together:

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

**Kid's Sermon** 

Special Music "Bethlehem Wind" Choir

First Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10

Second Reading: Romans 15:4-13

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The Holy Gospel Matthew 3:1-12

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

**Hymn of the Day** "There's a Voice in the Wilderness" #255

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

**Sharing of the Peace** 

Offering

#257

Offertory Song "Thankful Hearts and Voice Raise" #204

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name. Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

#### Meal

The Great Thanksgiving		page 144
Holy, Holy, Holy		page 144
The Lord's Prayer	Our Father, who art in heaven	page 145
<b>Communion Hymns</b>	"Lamb of God"	page 146
	"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"	#272
	"Now the Silence"	#460

### Sending

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

#473

**Benediction** 

**Sending Hymn** "Prepare the Royal Highway" #264

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

#### Please hold in prayer this week

Peggy Scott	Lori Storms
Regi (Rita's Niece)	Boyd Lundquist
Diane (Sister of Duwaine & Larry)	Tom Fisher
Lois Gustafson	Rich Schallberg
Margee Baker	Darcy Akerberg