

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn

“To Be Your Presence”

#546

Dismissal Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

Thanks be to God.

Please hold in prayer this week

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Katie Yanez

Daniel Berg

Angie Pantlin

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Bob Steege

Carol Bastianello

Charles Massey

Mabel Hughes

Roger Sames

Dana Lindeman

Worship Leaders for February 1

Preacher Bryant Bakkum

Organist Barb Steers

Acolyte

Lector Ann Decker

Run A/V Jason Wieland

Ushers Ole & Ruth Steen

Altar Guild Dave & Jan Lundquist

Altar Flowers Mike & Kathy Coleman

Fellowship Sandy M & Stephanie

Worship Leaders for February 8

Preacher Bryant Bakkum

Organist Barb Steers

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Lector Josh Bugbee

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God Invites Our Generosity
1/25/26 Offering (envelopes & online giving): \$1,498
Attendance: 64

Epiphany

February 1, 2026 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church
Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Welcome, Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters. **Amen.** Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Mighty God, lover of justice, **you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in + Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn "As We Gather at Your Table"

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Greeting & This Is the Feast

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Prayer of the Day

Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice, and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid's Sermon

Special Music "Holy, Holy, Holy"

First Reading: Micah 6:1-8

With the mountains and the foundations of the earth as the jury, God brings a lawsuit against Israel. God has "weari ed" Israel with a long history of saving acts. God does not want or expect lavish sacrifices to attempt to earn divine favor. Rather God empowers the people to do justice, to love loyalty to God, and to walk shrewdly in God's service.

Psalm 15

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?

Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart;

They do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends; they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

Choir

In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the Lord. They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.

They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

According to the world's standards of power and might, the message of the cross seems stupid and offensive. Yet this word reveals the paradoxical way God has chosen to work power and salvation through weakness, rejection, and suffering. Hence the message of the cross becomes true wisdom and power for believers.

Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?"

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The Holy Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

Jesus opens the Sermon on the Mount by naming those who are blessed in the reign of God.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"

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

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

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Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving & Holy, Holy, Holy

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Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven...

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Communion

"Lamb of God"

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"We Come to the Hungry Feast"

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Prayer after Communion—Let us pray together:

Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.