

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn

“Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song”

#808

Dismissal

Go in peace. Believe the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Please hold in prayer this week

Daniel Berg	Angie Pantlin
Wendy	Bob Steege
Carol Bastianello	Charles Massey
Mabel Hughes	Roger Sames
Dana Lindeman	Ally Lundquist
Katie Yanez	

Worship Leaders for February 22

Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte	
Lector	Erica Wirtz
Run A/V	Jamie & Lori
Ushers	Carrie Hron & Chris Hallin
Altar Guild	Dave & Jan Lundquist
Altar Flowers	Linda & Todd Johnson
Fellowship	Stephanie, Kyle

Worship Leaders for March 1

Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte	
Lector	Todd Johnson
Run A/V	Josh Bugbee
Ushers	
Altar Guild	Tom & Mel Simonson
Altar Flowers	Djane Opdahl & David Wetzell
Fellowship	

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God Invites Our Generosity

2/15/26 Offering (envelopes & online giving): \$2,011

Attendance: 63

Lent

February 22, 2026 • 9:00 a.m. Worship

JESUS ANSWERED, "IT IS WRITTEN:
'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE,
BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT COMES
FROM THE MOUTH OF GOD.'"



~ MATTHEW 4:4

East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Welcome, Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.** Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" #325
Kyrie & Glory to God page 147

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

Kid's Sermon

First Reading: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Human beings were formed with great care, to be in relationship with the creator, creation, and one another. The serpent's promise to the first couple that their eyes would be opened led, ironically, to the discovery only that they were naked.

Psalm 32

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!
Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19

Through Adam's disobedience, humanity came under bondage to sin and death, from which we cannot free ourselves. In Christ's obedient death, God graciously showers on us the free gift of liberation and life.

Gospel Acclamation "Return to the Lord" page 151

The Holy Gospel Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus experiences anew the temptations that Israel faced in the wilderness. As the Son of God, he endures the testing of the evil one.

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day "Thy Holy Wings" #613

Apostles' Creed page 105

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song "Create in Me a Clean Heart" #186

Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

God of glory, great are your wonders among us and many are the blessings you bestow. Use us and these your gifts for the needs of the world, that all the ends of the earth may rejoice in your saving grace, through Christ our Savior. Amen.

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

The Lord's Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven... page 154