# Sending

Sending Hymn"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"#843DismissalGo in peace. You are God's beloved. Thanks be to God!

Please hold in prayer this week							
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Worship Leade	rs for February <u>4</u>	Worship Leaders for February 11					
Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum				
Organist Acolyte	Barb Steers Aidan Primmer	Musicians	Barb Steers & Jim Wirtz				
Lector	Josh Bugbee	Acolyte	Gracelynn Heggestad				
Run A/V	Jason Wieland	Lector	Ann Decker				
Ushers	LuAnn Haas & Tom Petersen	Run A/V Ushers	Josh Bugbee				
Altar Guild	Dave & Jan Lundquist	Altar Guild	Dave & Jan Lundquist				
Altar Flowers	Merlin Loge (In Memory of Marilyn)	Altar Flowers	Cheryl Hubbard & Merlin Loge				
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# Epiphany



East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

#### **Benediction**

### Gathering

#### Welcome Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters. **Amen.** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection*.

God, our rock and refuge, **we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.** 

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved. **Amen.** 

Gathering Hymn	"We Come to You for Healing, Lord"	#617
Greeting		

#### This Is the Feast

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

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# Kid's Sermon

### First Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31

The Judeans in exile have a good reason to be hopeful: the one who will bring them to freedom is the God who created the world, the God who subdues the rulers of the earth and gives strength to those who are weary.

Word

# Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

God entrusted Paul with the responsibility of bringing the gospel to diverse people. Hence the focus of Paul's ministry is not his own rights or privileges as an apostle but the privilege of serving God by freely sharing the good news of Christ with others.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

# The Holy Gospel Mark 1:29-39

Everywhere Jesus goes, many people expect him to set them free from oppression. Everywhere he goes, he heals people and sets them free. Disease, devils, and death are running for their lives. The forces that diminish human life are rendered powerless by Jesus.

Sermon	Pastor Bryant Bakkum	
Hymn of the Day	"Creating God, Your Fingers Trace"	#684
Prayers of the People	Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.	
Sharing of the Peace		
Offering		
Offertory Song	"We Are an Offering"	#692

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.

#### Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

# Meal

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The Lord's Prayer	Our Father, who art in heaven	page 145
<b>Communion Hymn</b>	"Lamb of God"	page 146

**Prayer after Communion**—Let us pray together:

Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever. Amen.