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

Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you. Amen.

# Sending

#### **Benediction**

**Sending Hymn** "We Are Marching in the Light" #866

**Dismissal** Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus. **Thanks be to God!** 

## Please hold in prayer this week

Peggy Scott Lori Storms
Diane (Sister of Duwaine & Larry) Boyd Lundquist
Lois Gustafson Tom Fisher
Margee Baker Chris Goetze

Worship Leaders for February 5		Worship Leaders for February 12	
Preacher	Jeanne Aamot	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers	Pianist	Ann Decker
Acolyte	Victoria Wirtz	Acolyte	Marlee Wirtz
Lector	Melina Simonson	Lector	Paul Lundquist
Run A/V	Jason Wieland	Run A/V	Josh Bugbee
Ushers	Ted & Erica Wirtz	Ushers	Mark & Brenda Lundquist
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Dave & Jan Lundquist	A1. G 11.1	_
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	Merlin Loge	Altar Guild	Dave & Jan Lundquist
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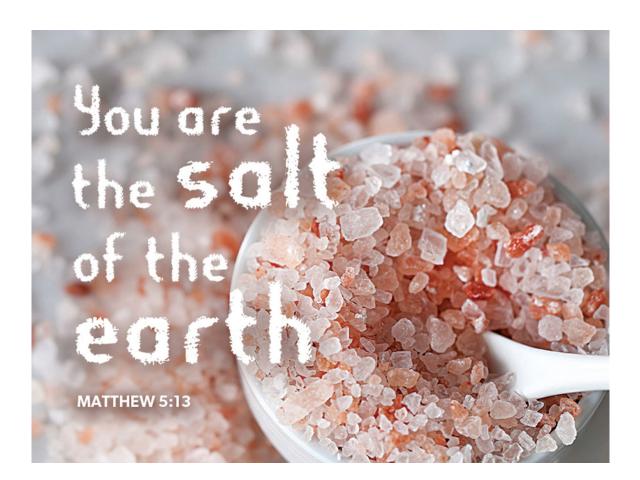
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# **Epiphany**

February 5, 2023 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



# East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

# Gathering

# Ringing of the Bell Welcome

# **Confession & Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\pm$  one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.** Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection*.

Holy One, source of our renewal, we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of + Christ our Savior. **Amen.** 

**Gathering Hymn** 

"Gather Us In"

#532

Greeting

This Is the Feast

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

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### Water

# The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

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Dylan Bert Olson

#### Word

**Special Music** 

**Ted & Others** 

## First Reading: Isaiah 58:1-12

Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked.

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Though people such as the Corinthians are enamored with human philosophy and wisdom, Paul continuously presents God's hidden wisdom which is Jesus Christ crucified. True spiritual maturity involves judging ourselves and others in light of God's revelation in the cross.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

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## The Holy Gospel Matthew 5:13-20

*In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments.* 

Sermon Pastor Jeanne Aamot

**Hymn of the Day** "Christ, Be Our Light" #715

**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:

Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, Amen.

#### Meal

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