

Sending

Benediction
Sending Hymn “Go, Make Disciples” **#540**
Dismissal Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.
 Thanks be to God.

Please hold in prayer this week	
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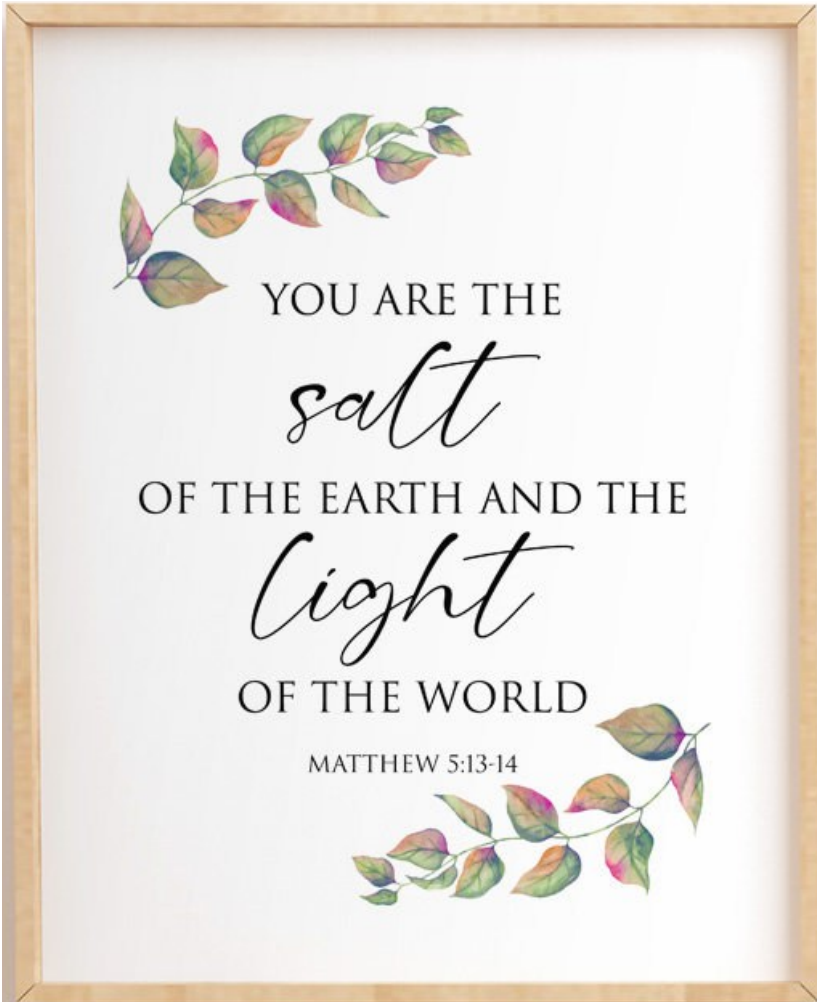
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Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
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God Invites Our Generosity
2/1/26 Offering (envelopes & online giving): \$3,392
Attendance: 53

Epiphany

February 8, 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 “Rise, Shine, You People!” #665
Kyrie & Glory to God page 138

Prayer of the Day
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.

Word

Kid’s Sermon

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.

Psalm 112

Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord and have great delight in God’s commandments!
Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.
Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.
For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

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 “Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?” page 142

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 Bryant Bakkum
Hymn of the Day “Lord of Light” #688
Apostles’ Creed page 105
Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song “We Are an Offering” #692

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 145