

**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**            “Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song”            **#808**

**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 January 15		Worship Leaders for January 22	
<b>Preacher</b>	Bryant Bakkum	<b>Preacher</b>	Bryant Bakkum
<b>Organist</b>	Barb Steers	<b>Organist</b>	Barb Steers
<b>Acolyte</b>	Gracelynn Heggstad	<b>Acolyte</b>	
<b>Lector</b>	Erica Wirtz	<b>Lector</b>	Ann Decker
<b>Run A/V</b>		<b>Run A/V</b>	
<b>Ushers</b>	LuAnn Haas & Tom Petersen	<b>Ushers</b>	Dave & Jan Lundquist
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**God Invites Our Generosity**  
1/8/23 Offering: \$2,885  
Attendance: 88, Live Stream: 48

**Epiphany**

January 15, 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, ☩ 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 “Christ, Be Our Light” #715

Greeting

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Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

**Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Water

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism page 227  
Hudson William Hull

Word

Kid’s Sermon

Special Music Chime Choir

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

*Here the servant, identified as Israel, speaks for herself and describes her honored mission. Called before her birth like Jeremiah and John the Baptist, the servant is not only to restore Israel. The servant’s ultimate assignment is to bring news of God’s victory to the ends of the earth. God in faithfulness has chosen Israel for this task.*

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

*Though God’s church in Corinth is a fractious congregation beset with many conflicts, Paul opens this letter by spotlighting the multiple ways God has enriched and sustained its life as part of the divine call into the fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Gospel Acclamation “Jesus, Come! For We Invite You” #312

*Jesus, come! For we invite you, guest and master, friend and Lord; now, as once at Cana’s wedding, speak and let us hear your word: lead us through our need or doubting, hope be born and joy restored.*

The Holy Gospel John 1:29-42

*John the Baptist’s witness to Jesus initiates a chain of testimony as his disciples begin to share with others what they have found.*

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed” #311

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

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song “Create in Me a Clean Heart” #186

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.*

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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“Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal” #464

“In the Singing” #466