

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn “Abide, O Dearest Jesus”

#539

Dismissal Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.
Thanks be to God.

Please hold in prayer this week

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

Worship Leaders for January 18

Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte	
Lector	Brenda Lundquist
Run A/V	
Ushers	Kent & Rochelle Hasse
Altar Guild	Kyle Bakkum & Stephanie Cardinal
Altar Flowers	Shane Carmelich
Fellowship	

Worship Leaders for January 25

Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte	
Lector	Linda Johnson
Run A/V	
Ushers	
Altar Guild	Kyle Bakkum & Stephanie Cardinal
Altar Flowers	Tami Johnson
Fellowship	Annual Meeting

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God Invites Our Generosity

1/11/25 Offering (envelopes & online giving): \$9,926
Attendance: 64

Ephiphany

January 18, 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 “O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright!”, vs 1, 4 & 5 **#308**
Greeting & This Is the Feast
Prayer of the Day **page 140**

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.

Word

Kid’s Sermon
Special Music “Vivaldi’s Largo from Winter” **Chimes**
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.

Psalm 40

I waited patiently upon the Lord, who stooped to me and heard my cry.
The Lord lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.
The Lord put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.
Happy are they who trust in the Lord! They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.

Great are the wonders you have done, O Lord my God! In your plans for us, none can be compared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.
Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.

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 “Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?” **page 142**
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 “Jesus Calls Us; o’er the Tumult”, vs 1, 3 & 5 **#696**
Prayers of the People Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**
Sharing of the Peace
Offering
Offertory Song “Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring”, vs 1 **#691**
Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving & Holy, Holy, Holy **page 144**
Words of Institution
The Lord’s Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven... **page 145**
Communion “Lamb of God” **page 146**
“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound” **#779**

Prayer after Communion—Let us pray together:

Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.