

Sending

Benediction
Sending Hymn “Go, Make Disciples” **#540**
Dismissal Go in peace. You are God’s beloved. **Thanks be to God!**

Please hold in prayer this week	
Lori Storms	Debbie
Boyd Lundquist	Wendy
Sandy Schmidt	Charlotte Sandeen
Peg Scott	

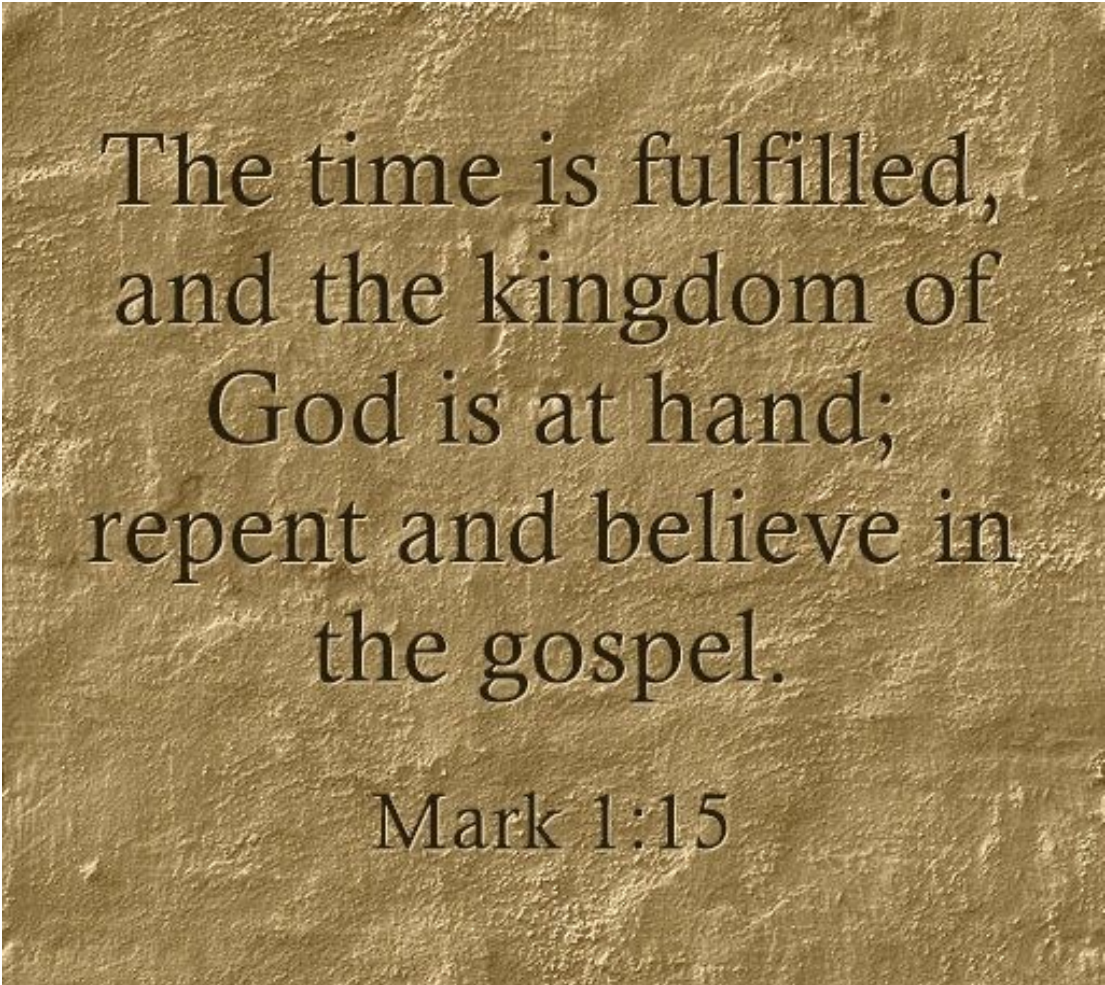
Worship Leaders for January 21		Worship Leaders for January 28	
Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers	Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte		Acolyte	
Lector	Kathy Schallberg	Lector	Barb Steers
Run A/V	Josh Bugbee	Run A/V	Jamie & Lori
Ushers	Kyle Bakkum	Ushers	Kevin & Joan Abraham
Altar Guild	Ann & Gordon Decker	Altar Guild	Ann & Gordon Decker
Altar Flowers		Altar Flowers	
Fellowship	Grimm & Steen Family	Fellowship	Annual Meeting

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God Invites Our Generosity
1/14/24 Offering: \$6,513
Attendance: 54

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 21, 2024 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church
Carver, Minnesota

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 “I Love to Tell the Story” **#661**

Greeting

Kyrie (booklet) **page 3**

Now the Feast and Celebration (booklet) **page 4**

Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid’s Sermon

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The book of Jonah is a comedy starring a reluctant prophet who is given a one-sentence message: Nineveh will be destroyed in forty days. Much to Jonah’s dismay, the people of Nineveh repent. The point of the story is to get the reader to wrestle with the question “On whom should God have mercy?”

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Paul does not disapprove of marriage or other human social institutions. He does, however, want Christians to live in the present in fervent anticipation of God’s future, which even now has dawned through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation **page 142**

The Holy Gospel Mark 1:14-20

Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as “the gospel” or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.

Sermon **Pastor Bryant Bakkum**

Hymn of the Day “Light Shone in Darkness” **#307**

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” **#691**

Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place upon your table. We do not worship as we ought but only as we’re able.

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

The Great Thanksgiving **page 144**

Holy, Holy, Holy **page 144**

Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven... **page 145**

Communion Hymns “Lamb of God” **page 146**

“Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup” **#492**

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.