

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

#671

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 22

Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte	
Lector	Ann Decker
Run A/V	Josh Bugbee
Ushers	Dave & Jan Lundquist
Altar Guild	Jeri Bowers

Worship Leaders for January 29

Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte	
Lector	Evelyn Grimm
Run A/V	Josh Bugbee
Ushers	Olav & Ruth Steen
Altar Guild	Jeri Bowers

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God Invites Our Generosity

1/15/23 Offering: \$2,058
Attendance: 80, Live Stream: 25

Epiphany

January 22, 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 “Dearest Jesus, at Your Word” #520

Greeting

Kyrie page 138

Glory to God page 139

Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid’s Sermon

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4

The northern tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali experienced the gloom of defeat by Assyrian military forces, but they are assured that their condition will be reversed when God makes a light-filled appearance. The joy they will experience will resemble celebrations of great harvests, because God will deliver them from everything that diminishes or oppresses them.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Paul calls on the Corinthians to end their dissensions and share the unified outlook of the gospel. Discord arises when we forget that we belong not to human leaders or institutions but to Christ. Indeed, the unifying word of the cross of Christ is the center of the gospel and the power of God’s salvation.

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 Matthew 4:12-23

Jesus begins his public ministry shortly after John the Baptist is imprisoned by Herod. He proclaims the nearness of God’s reign and calls four fishermen to be his first disciples.

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day “Will You Come and Follow Me” #798

Apostles’ Creed page 105

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song “Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am” #814

Take, oh, take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

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.

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

The Lord’s Prayer Our Father in heaven... page 145