

Epiphany

January 26, 2025 • 9:00 a.m. Worship

Please hold in prayer this week

Boyd Lundquist	Miles
Kathy Schallberg	Katie Yanez
Daniel Berg	Angie Pantlin
Wendy	Bob Steege
Charlotte Sandeen	Gina Johnson
Carol Bastianello	Charles Massey
Mabel Hughes	

Worship Leaders for January 26

Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte	
Lector	Linda Johnson
Run A/V	
Ushers	Mark & Brenda Lundquist
Altar Guild	Ann & Gordon Decker
Altar Flowers	Kyle & Laurie Bakkum
Fellowship	Annual Meeting— Lunch

Worship Leaders for February 2

Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers
Lector	Ann Decker
Run A/V	
Ushers	
Altar Guild	Dave & Jan Lundquist
Altar Flowers	Todd & Linda Johnson
Fellowship	

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Tues. & Thurs. 9am—2pm

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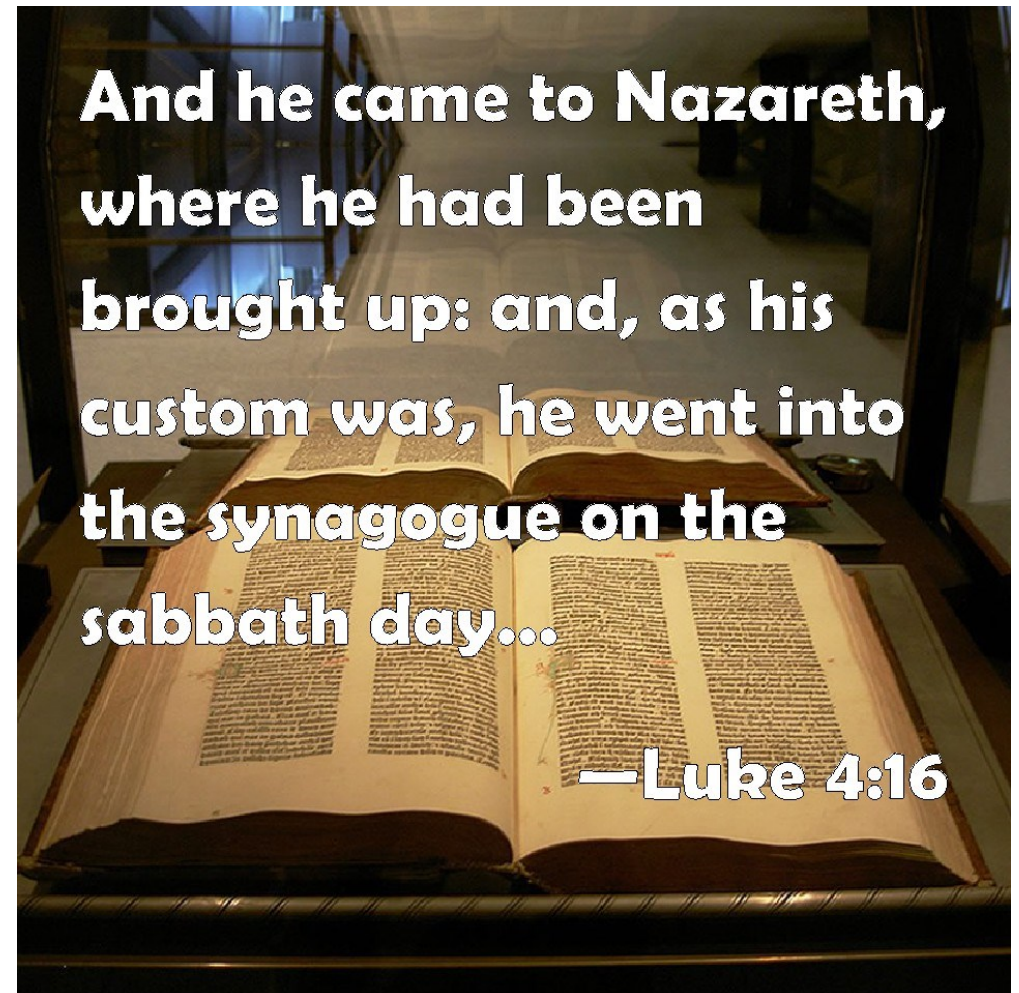
Office Hours

Mon.—Wed. 8:30am—Noon

God Invites Our Generosity

1/19/25 Offering: \$6,935

Attendance: 50



East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Welcome, Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life. **Amen.** Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God, **you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.**

God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In † Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn	"O Zion, Haste"	#668
Greeting		
Kyrie		page 138
Glory to God		page 139

Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid's Sermon

Special Music "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship/Come, Christians, Join to Sing"
Chimes

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

The exiles have returned and rebuilt Jerusalem. Now Ezra, the priest, reads the law of Moses to them in the public square. When they hear it, they weep for their sins and for the long years in exile, but Ezra reminds them that "the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

The apostle and pastor Paul uses the metaphor of the human body to describe how intimately connected we are in the church. For this struggling congregation in Corinth, Paul delivers a vital message of unity that is a mark of the church today.

Gospel Acclamation page 142

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel Luke 4:14-21

Near the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, he visits his hometown of Nazareth. In the words of Isaiah, he states and claims his identity, purpose, and mission.

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day "Christ, Be Our Light" #715

Apostles' Creed page 105

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:

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. Amen.

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

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

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve" #551

Dismissal Go in peace. Live in hope. **Thanks be to God.**