

Pentecost

July 23, 2023 • 9:00 a.m. Worship

Please hold in prayer this week			
Lois Gustafson		Scott Deleeuw	
Lori Storms		Joy Bowers	
Boyd Lundquist		Sandy Schmidt	
Karyn Baell		Lyle Weckman	
John Bruner		Emmett Cook	

<u>Worship Leaders for July 23</u>		<u>Worship Leaders for July 30</u>	
Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	David Willey	Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte	Victoria Wirtz	Acolyte	
Lector	Ann Decker	Lector	Sandy Hitzeman
Run A/V		Run A/V	
Ushers	Dave & Jan Lundquist	Ushers	Larry Goetze & Doug Hillstrom
Altar Guild	Tom & Melina Simonson	Altar Guild	Tom & Melina Simonson
Altar Flowers		Altar Flowers	
Fellowship	Stephanie, Toby, Sandy & Larry	Fellowship	Ron & Sandy Hitzeman

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Tues. & Thurs. 9:00am—2pm		Mon.—Wed. 8:30am—4:30pm	



East Union Lutheran Church
Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome

Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity,† one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.** *Silence is kept for reflection.*

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God’s mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn “Oh, Worship the King” , vs. 1, 3 & 5 #842

Greeting

Kyrie page 147

Glory to God page 148

Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid’s Sermon

First Reading: Isaiah 44:6-8

There are no other gods besides God: the word of the LORD does not fail to come to pass. We can trust in God, through whom Israel—and we—are redeemed.

Second Reading: Romans 8:12-25

For Paul, true spirituality means that we experience the reality of the Spirit, which enables us to pray as God’s children, keeps us in solidarity with creation, and gives us unseen hope that God will liberate us and creation from bondage to death and decay.

Gospel Acclamation page 151

The Holy Gospel Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Jesus tells a parable about the coexistence of good and evil in this world. God’s judgment will remove all evildoers and causes of sin, but not until the end of human history.

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” #693

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 field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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

The Lord’s Prayer Our Father in heaven... page 154

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn “For the Fruit of All Creation” #679

Dismissal Go in peace. Share the harvest. Thanks be to God!