Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" #618

Dismissal Go in peace. Serve in love. **Thanks be to God!**

Please hold in prayer this week

Diane (Sister of Duwaine & Larry)

Lois Gustafson

Margee Baker

Lori Storms

Tom Fisher

Chris Goetze

Joshua Anderson

Tyson Hudspeth

Boyd Lundquist

Karyn Baell

Worship Leaders for March 12		Worship Leade	Worship Leaders for March 19	
Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	
Organist	Barb Steers	Organist	Barb Steers	
Acolyte		Acolyte	Victoria Wirtz	
Lector	Rita Lundquist	Lector	Chris Hallin	
Run A/V		Run A/V		
Ushers	Dwight & Janet	Ushers	Ted & Erica Wirtz	
	Schultz	Altar Guild	Rich & Kathy	
Altar Guild	Rich & Kathy		Schallberg	
	Schallberg	Altar Flowers	Tami Johnson	
Altar Flowers	Deckers	Fellowship		
Fellowship	Sandy, Toby & Stephanie	•		

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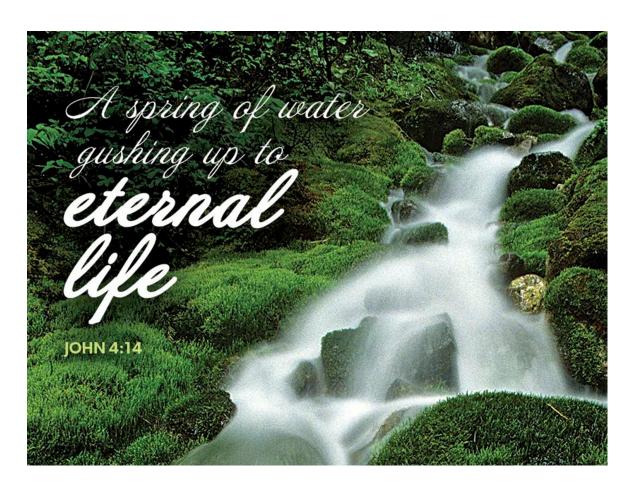
Tues. & Thurs. 9:00am—2pm Mon.—Wed. 8:30am—4:30pm

God Invites Our Generosity

February 2023 Contributions: \$12,429 3/5/23 Attendance: 63, Live Stream: 82

Lent

March 12, 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, \pm one God, who journeys with us these forty days, and sustains us with the gift of grace. **Amen.** Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy. *Silence is kept for reflection*.

Holy God, we confess to you our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life. Amen.

Hear the good news: God so loved the world that God gave the only Son, so that all may receive life. This promise is for you! God embraces you with divine mercy, + forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power. **Amen.**

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Gathering Hymn	"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"	#335
Greeting		
Kyrie		page 138
Glory to God		page 139

Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid's Sermon

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Special Music Flute Duets

First Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

Because the thirsty Israelites quarreled with Moses and put God to the test, Moses cried out in desperation to God. God commanded Moses to strike the rock to provide water for the people. The doubt-filled question—"Is the LORD among us or not?"—received a very positive answer.

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-11

Though we often hear that God helps those who help themselves, here Paul tells us that through Jesus' death God helps utterly helpless sinners. Since we who had been enemies are reconciled to God in the cross, we now live in hope for our final salvation.

Gospel Acclamation

"Return to the Lord"

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The Holy Gospel John 4:5-10, 19-29

Jesus defies convention to engage a Samaritan woman in conversation. Her testimony, in turn, leads many others to faith.

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day "As the Deer Runs to the River" #331

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 good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. Amen.

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

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