East Union Lutheran Church Weekly Announcements

Sunday, March 27th

Lent—Our Mid-week worship services continue for two more weeks. Come for dinner at 6pm, worship is at 7pm. This Wednesday's theme is Give.

Holy Sunday—New this year is Holy Sunday. On April 10th, our worship will contain the scripture stories of Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday-all in one service! Including all these incredibly important stories on a Sunday morning will allow more people to experience them before we come together to celebrate Easter. {There will not be worship services held on Thursday 4/14 or Friday 4/15 }

Easter Sunday—Our festive Easter worship will be at 9am on Sunday, April 17th. Please, invite a friend, tell a neighbor, bring a relative—we will rejoice and celebrate!!

Spring Roadside Cleanup—It's that time of year again! Roadside cleanup is Sunday, April 24th at 10am. If weather doesn't permit, May 1st will be our backup date.

Plant Sale—Our Annual Plant Sale is Saturday, May 7th from 8amnoon!! We are looking for handmade donations (bird houses/feeders, old wooden boxes, anything we can make into a planter). We will also be having a bake sale! We are looking for ALL homemade only items and canning items you would be willing to donate! We will have a coffee

truck available along with hundreds of hanging baskets and more!

Vacation Bible School—Save the date for VBS on August 1-5.

Spam—Please beware, your church will never ask you to buy a gift card. Recently, scammers have used both email and text messaging in an attempt to take your money. Report any suspicious activity to the church office.

God Invites Our Generosity

3/20/22 Offering: \$2,216

Attendance: 31, Live Stream: 42

Lent

March 27, 2022 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage. **Amen.** *Silence is kept for reflection*.

Holy One, we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.

Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In + Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" #335

Kyrie page 147

Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Special Music Gordon & Ann Decker

Word

Kid's Sermon

Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Gospel Acclamation "Return to the Lord"

Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

The Holy Gospel Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Sermon Rev. Sarah Bunge

Hymn of the Day "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" #608

Apostles' Creed page 105

Offering

Offertory Song "We Give Thee but Thine Own" #686

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

Prayers of the People "...Merciful God, **Receive our prayer**"

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

Sending

Blessing

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Sending Hymn "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" #338

Dismissal Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

Thanks be to God!

Please hold in prayer this week

Brad Gulden Pastor Tom & Andra Stutelberg

Erica Bratland Aunt Marion Helget