

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn

“Thine the Amen”

#826

Dismissal

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Please hold in prayer this week

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| Daniel Berg | Koreen Larson |
| Wendy | Angie Pantlin |
| Carol Bastianello | Bob Steege |
| Mabel Hughes | Charles Massey |

Worship Leaders for May 17

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| Preacher | Bryant Bakkum |
| Organist | Barb Steers |
| Lector | Kyle Bakkum |
| Run A/V | Jamie & Lori |
| Ushers | LuAnn Haas & Tom Petersen |
| Altar Guild | Olav & Ruth Steen |
| Altar Flowers | Mike & Kathy Coleman |
| Fellowship | Outreach Committee |

Worship Leaders for May 24

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| Preacher | Bryant Bakkum |
| Organist | Barb Steers |
| Lector | Erica Wirtz |
| Run A/V | Jamie & Lori |
| Ushers | Kyle Bakkum & Larry Goetze |
| Altar Guild | Olav & Ruth Steen |
| Altar Flowers | |
| Fellowship | Larry, Stephanie, Sandy M |

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God Invites Our Generosity

5/10/26 Offering (envelopes & online giving): \$2,879
Attendance: 80

Ascension of Our Lord

May 17, 2026 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Welcome

Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen.**
Let us confess our sin to God. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Compassionate God, **we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn "Bind Us Together, Lord"

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Greeting & This Is the Feast

#166

Prayer of the Day

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

Kid's Sermon

Special Music "Isn't He Wonderful/Jesus Loves the Little Children"
Sunday School Kids

First Reading: Acts 1:6-14

Today's reading is part of the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord's conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension, in which he promises that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit.

Psalm 68

Let God arise, and let God's enemies be scattered; let those who hate God flee.
As smoke is driven away, so you should drive them away; as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; let them also be merry and joyful.
Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; exalt the one who rides the clouds; I Am is that name, rejoice before God!

In your holy habitation, O God, you are a father to orphans, defender of widows;
You give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners into freedom; but the rebels shall live in desert places.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Our faith in Christ does not make us immune from the scorn of others. Nevertheless, we are to resist the designs of evil when we experience disparagement from others because we trust God's grace will strengthen and guide us.

Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?" **page 151**

The Holy Gospel John 17:1-11

On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus prays to his heavenly Father, asking that those who continue his work in this world will live in unity.

Sermon **Pastor Bryant Bakum**

Hymn of the Day "Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song" **#403**

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

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful" **#182**

Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving & Holy, Holy, Holy **page 152**

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven... **page 154**

Communion "Lamb of God" **page 154**

"As We Gather at Your Table" **#522**

Prayer after Communion—Let us pray together:

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, Amen.