Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" #815

Dismissal Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God, Alleluia!

Please hold in prayer this week

Boyd Lundquist Miles

Daniel Berg Angie Pantlin
Wendy Bob Steege
Carol Bastianello Charles Massey
Mabel Hughes Roger Sames

Worship Leaders for May 25		Worship Leaders for June 1	
Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers	Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte		Acolyte	
Lector	Linda Johnson	Lector	Tami Johnson
Run A/V	Jason Wieland	Run A/V	Josh Bugbee
Ushers	Dave Lundquist & Tom Lundquist	Ushers	Larry Goetze & Doug Hillstrom
Altar Guild	Jeff & Katie Primmer	Altar Guild	Stephanie Cardinal &
Altar Flowers	Sandy Hitzeman		Kyle Bakkum
Fellowship	Ron & Sandy Hitzeman	Altar Flowers Fellowship	Graduation Sunday

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

God Invites Our Generosity

5/18/25 Offering: \$3,511 Attendance: 94

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2025 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Welcome

Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin. Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. Amen.

Gathering Hymn

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

#834

Kyrie & Glory to God

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Prayer of the Day

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, 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 "The Battle Hymn of Republic" Pastor Bryant & Barb

First Reading: Acts 16:9-15

A vision compels Paul to move his ministry into Greece. There he meets Lydia, an important person in the business community, whose heart has been opened by God to receive the gospel. Her conversion and baptism provide the impetus for the founding of the church at Philippi.

Psalm 67

May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us. Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth its increase; God, our own God, has blessed us.

Second Reading: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

John's vision of a new Jerusalem coming out of heaven provides continuity with God's past actions. Yet in this new city, God's presence replaces the temple, and the glory of God and the Lamb supplants sun and moon.

Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go"

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The Holy Gospel John 14:23-29

As Jesus talks of returning to the Father, he promises to send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will teach Jesus' followers and remind them of all that Jesus taught. Even more, those in whom God makes a home will experience a peace that overcomes fear.

Sermon **Pastor Bryant Bakkum**

Hymn of the Day "The Peace of the Lord" #646 **Apostles' Creed** page 105

Sharing of the Peace

Offering "Better Days" Ted Wirtz

"We Are an Offering" **Offertory Song** #692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you. we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

God of all creation, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

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

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