

## Sending

### Benediction

### Sending Hymn

“Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing”

#389

### Dismissal

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

### Please hold in prayer this week

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

### Worship Leaders for May 3

<b>Preacher</b>	Bryant Bakkum
<b>Organist</b>	Barb Steers
<b>Lector</b>	Paul Lundquist
<b>Run A/V</b>	Jason Wieland
<b>Ushers</b>	Larry Goetze & Mark Lundquist
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Olav & Ruth Steen
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	
<b>Fellowship</b>	Cindy Comer & Carey Koppenberg

### Worship Leaders for May 10

<b>Preacher</b>	Bryant Bakkum
<b>Organist</b>	Barb Steers
<b>Lector</b>	Tami Johnson
<b>Run A/V</b>	Shane Carmelich
<b>Ushers</b>	Larry Goetze & Mark Lundquist
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Olav & Ruth Steen
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	David Wetzel & Diane Opdahl
<b>Fellowship</b>	Janet Schultz

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### God Invites Our Generosity

4/26/26 Offering (envelopes & online giving): \$2,605

Attendance: 94

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



DON'T LET YOUR HEARTS BE  
TROUBLED. TRUST IN GOD,  
AND TRUST ALSO IN ME.

**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** "Lord God, We Praise You" #558

**Greeting & This Is the Feast** #166

### Prayer of the Day

**Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## Word

### Kid's Sermon

### Special Music

"I Am the Vine"

Choir

### First Reading: Acts 7:55-60

*Stephen was one of the seven men chosen by the apostles to serve tables so that the apostles could be free to serve the word (Acts 6:1-6). Stephen does more than distribute food, however. For his preaching of God's word, he becomes the first martyr of the faith.*

### Psalm 31

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.

### Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

**Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, for you are my tower of strength.**

Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.

**My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.**

### Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10

*Christ is the cornerstone of God's saving work and the foundation of our lives. We are God's chosen, holy people who continuously celebrate and declare the mercy of God we experience through Jesus Christ.*

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

### The Holy Gospel John 14:1-14

*On the night that he is to be arrested, Jesus shares final words with his disciples. As the one through whom God is known, he promises to go before them and act on their behalf.*

### Sermon

**Pastor Bryant Bakkum**

**Hymn of the Day** "You Are the Way" #758

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

### Sharing of the Peace

### Offering

**Offertory Song** "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful" #184

**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**

"O Master, Let Me Walk with You" #818

**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.**