

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn “Fling Wide the Door” **#259**

Dismissal Go in peace. Keep awake.

Thanks be to God.

Please hold in prayer this week	
Boyd Lundquist	Miles
Daniel Berg	Angie Pantlin
Wendy	Bob Steege
Carol Bastianello	Charles Massey
Mabel Hughes	Roger Sames
Katie Yanez	

<u>Worship Leaders for November 30</u>		<u>Worship Leaders for December 7</u>	
Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Lynn Seppman	Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte		Acolyte	
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Run A/V	Jason Wieland	Run A/V	
Ushers	Doug Hillstrom	Ushers	Kyle Bakkum
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God Invites Our Generosity

11/23/25 Offering: \$1,670

Attendance: 85

First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 2025 • 9:00 a.m. Worship

Advent
Hope. Peace. Joy. Love.



East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Hymn Sing
Welcome, Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose home is heaven and earth, whose salva-
tion is sure. **Amen.** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Long-expected God, **we confess that we look to ourselves for the peace and
security only you can provide. We reach for swords and spears, reluctant
to release our grip on the ways of war. We become impatient while waiting
and weary of keeping awake. Free us from self-reliance, and teach us to
live in harmony with our neighbors. Increase our trust in God’s timing,
and awaken us to your advent among us, that we may abound in the hope
you have promised. Amen.**

God judges us not as we deserve, but according to God’s own righteousness. ☩ You are
freed and forgiven, saved by grace, and ready to welcome the Savior. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn “My Lord, What a Morning” #438

Greeting & This Is the Feast #166

Prayer of the Day

**Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful
protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and
enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and
reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.**

Word

Kid’s Sermon

Advent Wreath Song “He Came Down”, vs. 1 #253

*He came down that we may have love; He came down that we may have love; He
came down that we may have love; hallelujah forevermore.*

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

*The visionary message presented in this reading focuses on a future day when God establishes a uni-
versal reign of peace. Divine decisions will make war obsolete, and the worshiping community re-
sponds: “Let us walk in the light of that Lord now!”*

Psalm 122

I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the Lord.”
Now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself;
**To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, the assembly of Israel, to
praise the name of the Lord.**
For there are the thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.
Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: “May they prosper who love you.

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

*Paul compares the advent of Christ to the coming of dawn. We live our lives today in light of Christ’s
coming in the future.*

Gospel Acclamation “Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?” page 151

The Holy Gospel Matthew 24:36-44

*Jesus describes his second coming as a sudden, turbulent event that will bring about deep change to
our normal, day-to-day lives. Therefore, he urges people to stay awake, be aware, and wait expect-
antly, because the Son of Man will come unannounced.*

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day “O Lord, How Shall I Meet You” #241

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:

**Nourishing God, you are water in the wilderness and streams in the
desert. Through this meal, satisfy our parched places, that we may
rejoice and be for the world signs of your kingdom come. 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 Hymns “Lamb of God” page 154

“Let Us Break Bread Together” #471

Prayer after Communion—Let us pray together:

**God our host, at this table you have fed us with joy and gladness.
Send us forth, eager to share the feast, welcome the stranger, and
bear good fruit in the name of Jesus. Amen.**