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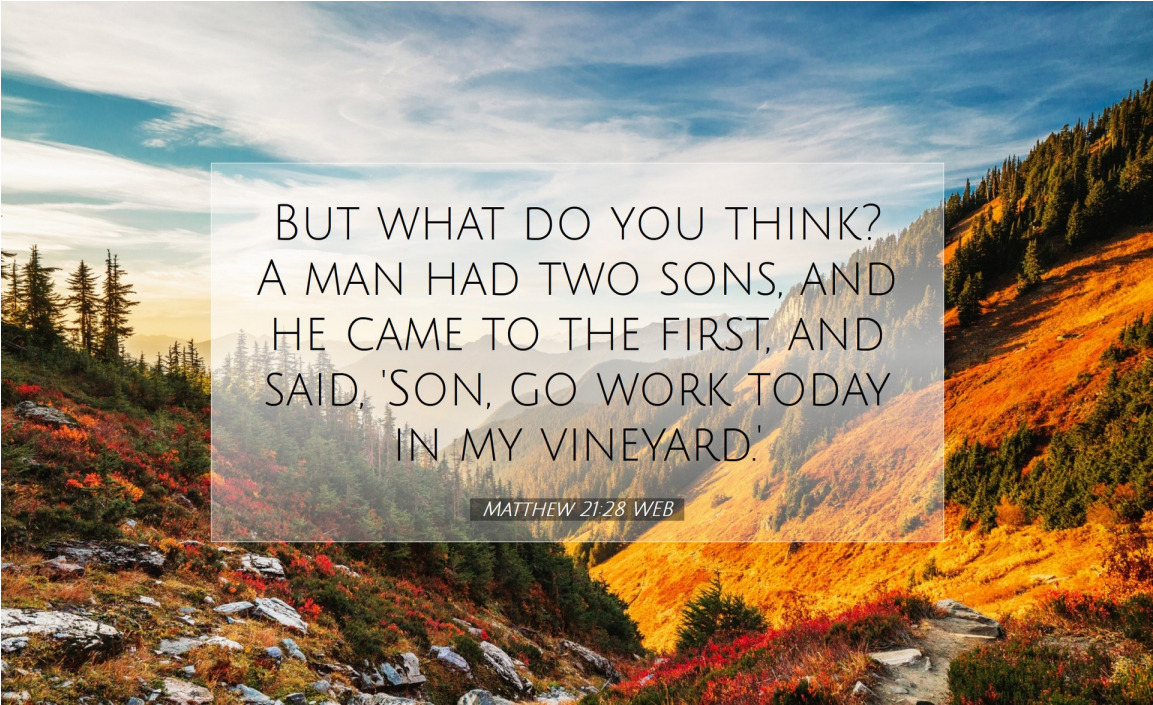
Benediction
 Sending Hymn “Strengthen for Service, Lord” #497
 Dismissal Go in peace. God is at work in you. Thanks be to God!
 Postlude “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” trad., arr. Gillis

Please hold in prayer this week			
Lori Storms		Emmett Cook	
Boyd Lundquist		Terry Irwin	
Sandy Schmidt		Debbie	
Karyn Baell		Anne	
Peg Scott		Wendy	
Sierra Monahan			
Worship Leaders for October 1		Worship Leaders for October 8	
Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers	Organist	Bryant Bakkum
Acolyte		Acolyte	
Lector	Chris Hallin	Lector	Brenda Lundquist
Ushers	Larry Goetze & Doug Hillstrom	Run A/V	Jason Wieland
Altar Guild	Barb Steers, Mark & Brenda Lundquist	Ushers	Tom & Nadine Lundquist
Altar Flowers	Racheal Maxwell <i>(In Memory of Karon Wallace)</i>	Altar Guild	Barb Steers, Mark & Brenda Lundquist
Fellowship	Council	Fellowship	Toby Nelson, Dwight & Janet, Jon & Patty Johnson
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God Invites Our Generosity
 9/24/23 Offering: \$1,777
 Attendance: 115

Pentecost

October 1, 2023 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church
 Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Prelude “Largo” from New World Symphony Dvorak
“Prayer” from Hansel & Greet Humperdinck

Welcome
Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be God, the one who forms us, ☩ Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete. Amen.

Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection.*
Steadfast and faithful God, **you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world’s violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

Beloved in Christ, God’s justice stretches beyond all understanding. God’s compassion is beyond compare. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us. In ☩ Christ, you are already and always forgiven. Amen.

Gathering Hymn “Beautiful Savior” #838

(This hymn was requested by Racheal (Wallace) Maxwell in memory of her mom’s passing on 10/1/19)

Greeting
This Is the Feast page 140
Prayer of the Day—Let us pray together:

God of love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid’s Sermon
Special Music “Pie Jesu” Faure, arr. Chapelat
“Listen, God Is Calling” #513

Listen, listen, God is calling; through the word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-13

“Listen, God Is Calling” #513

Listen, listen, God is calling; through the word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy. Jesus gave his mandate: share the good news that he came to save us and set us free. Listen, listen, God is calling; through the word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 21:23-32

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day “O God, My Faithful God” #806

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

Reception of New Members

Sharing of the Peace

Offering “Simple Gifts” trad., arr. Vosbein

Offertory Song “We Are an Offering” #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 power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.
Meal

The Great Thanksgiving page 144
Holy, Holy, Holy page 144

Words of Institution
The Lord’s Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven... page 145
Communion Hymns “Lamb of God” page 146

“Eventide” trad., arr. Roach
“Intermezzo” Mascagni, arr. Schorr

Prayer after Communion—Let us pray together:

Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.