East Union Lutheran Church

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EAST UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Carver, Minnesota www.eulc.org

Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m. Worship

with Holy Communion on 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays

10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship,

Sunday School & Confirmation

September 202

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Д	2 9am-1pm Church Office Open	သ	4
5 9am Worship— Communion 10am Fellowship	6	7 9am-1pm Church Office Open	8	9 7:30am Love INC Executive Board Meeting 9am-1pm Church Office Open	10	11
12 9am Worship 10am Fellowship	13 1pm Quilting Group 7pm Dahlgren Township Mtg	14 9am-1pm Church Office Open	15	16 9am-1pm Church Office Open	17	18
19 Rally Sunday 9am Worship-Communion 10am Fellowship 10am Sunday School & Confirmation	20	21 9am-1pm Church Office Open 6:30pm Council Meeting	22	23 9am-1pm Church Office Open	24	25
26 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 10am Sunday School & Confirmation 4-6pm Chicken Dinner	27 1pm Quilting Group	28 9am-1pm Church Office Open	29	30 9am-1pm Church Office Open		

Words from Pastor Sarah

Our theme this Fall will be Kindness. Maybe you've seen the shirt or own the coffee mug that says "in a world where you can be anything, be kind." Long before this catchy phrase was developed, and the memes that go with it, the Bible has been instructing, encouraging, and even commanding us to be kind.

Here's my favorite places where this instruction is given:

Micah 6:8 Ephesians 4:32 1 Corinthians 13:4 Galatians 5:22-23



Open your Bible (or use your phone) to look those up. There's tons of other passages as well, kindness is really a theme in the Bible. It's also a virtue, something to strive for and live up to.

We won't always be perfectly kind to ourselves or to one another, that's where sin comes in. But let us strive toward this goal--that we might be kind in each of our interactions with our neighbors, fellow church members, visitors, enemies, co-workers, classmates, teachers, spouse, pastor, kids, parents, and strangers. When we know we've erred and fallen short of this biblical ideal, let us be quick to apologize and make amends.

When considering kindness, it's important to note that it is not the same as just being nice. Kindness is active and faithful, even bold. Kindness interrupts someone who's not being kind to remind them of our Fall theme. A kind soul watches not just the words they say, but also the tone they use. Kind humans are faithful folk who draw others to themselves, their energy and joy is contagious.

In Kindness,
Pastor Sarah K. Bunge
Save the Dates!

Sunday, September 19th Rally Sunday
Sunday, September 26th Chicken Dinner
Sunday, October 3rd Women's Bible Study Begins
Saturday, October 30th Trunk or Treat
Sunday, October 31st Confirmation Celebration
Sunday, November 7th All Saints Worship (& day light savings)



RALLY SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 19

Let's get ready to Raaaalllyy!

Rally Day

On Sunday, the 19th we'll gather for festive worship and then enjoy some fellowship time together. If you're in Sunday School, you'll get to meet your teacher. Confirmation? Same. We'll throw some bean bags, make a craft, eat some food & have a laugh. It will be good to be together again.

Come, join us for the first day of Sunday School & Confirmation. There will be games, fellowship, and fun for all ages.

Lunch served.

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ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER SEPTEMBER 26 4-6PM

Winner Winner, Chicken Dinner!!

On Sunday, September 26th we will again have our annual (except for Covid) Church Chicken Dinner. Maybe you can help us pull it off? We could use help advertising, making desserts, working a shift, set up and clean up. No matter your talents, we'll find a way for you to help.

Featuring home-cooked chicken, potatoes, corn, & homemade desserts



Adults \$12 Children under 10 \$6

Opportunities to Serve

Sunday School

We are gearing up for a big Fall launch and could use some help getting there. Do you enjoy kids? Perhaps you could be a teacher or even a substitute to get us going this Fall. Let Pastor know if you are interested.

Youth Coordinator

Are you an organized person that enjoys teenagers? Our church is looking for someone who could help with events for our Confirmation and already-Confirmed youth. Talk to Pastor if you have interest.

Opportunities to Serve Continued

Worship & Music Updates

Your Worship & Music Team invites you to consider helping with worship. Specifically we could use folks that would help change the banner and altar cloths, read the scripture in worship, help Pastor with Communion set-up, acolyte, bake homemade bread, bring flowers to decorate the altar (from your garden or a store), learn our A/V system, offer special music, or join the choir. Sign up on the bulletin board at church, talk to Pastor or Carol Kolodejchuk our Music Director.

ELCA National Youth Gathering
July 24-28 here in Minneapolis
The theme is BOUNDLESS—God beyond measure
Youth in 8th—12th grade are able to sign up for this.
Are you interested? Talk to Pastor!

Towel Ministry

Our church's role with Love INC (Love in the name of Christ) is to deliver new towels when a family is in need. Please watch for sales and continue to shop for bath, hand and washcloths. The greatest need right now, however, is for kitchen towels. If you would prefer to give money to this ministry, rather than shop yourself, please just note that



on your offering check. Want to find out more information? Ann Decker leads this ministry deckerag@gmail.com

August Church Council Meeting Minutes

Councilors present: Tom Strobel, Tom Simonson, Rochelle Hasse, Gordon Decker, Jason Wieland, Paul Lundquist, Alyssa Leistiko, Chris Hallin. Members present: Luann Haas

Call to order by Paul at 6:30pm on 8/17/2021

Welcome to Chris!

Pastors report: Tom Simonson, Tom Strobel, AIF

Minutes of previous meeting -

Treasurer's Report - Tom Simonson, Rochelle Hasse, AIF

Committee reports - Alyssa, Gordon, AIF

Property - Nothing to report

Finance - Nothing to report

Youth and Ed -

Met last week

Rally Sunday - Sept 19 - Postcard being sent to join for a fun day including games/crafts

Chicken Dinner - Sept 26th - Sunday following rally day - 4-6pm

Sunday School - 10am Sunday school start for parents dropping off, run for appx an hour

Relief teachers being sought to ensure coverage and help in the room

Confirmation (Conf Sunday is Oct 31)

Bigger year due to those that elected to wait to be confirmed in 2020

Worship and Music - Choir and chimes invitations being sent out to test interest. Nothing else to report

Cemetery - Nothing to report

Food and Fellowship - Chicken dinner happening, but no meeting

Care for Creation - Bat Maternity Ward research is happening in an attempt to re-home those creatures of God removed from the church attic

Old Business -

COVID status update

Council is planning no changes at this time. Planning to follow mandated state guidance

Continue hosting in person services with masks recommended, not required

If restrictions are imposed, we have some options to host multiple services and leverage the FM tuner again

Mailers are critical

We need to check for accuracy as no mail is arriving to Luann or Chris

Council is planning to assist with a calling program to the congregation

Goal is to validate address, email, and phone numbers. Ask if members want outreach

Cadence of 1 month requested by council with things such as

Church calendar, announcements, plans

Newsletter/Pastor's letter

Council minutes have also been a regular part of this

Annual meeting follow up - sending a mailer on Sunday school starting up

New Business -

Desire to host a community event at some time in the future

Food trucks, Music, Maybe 2022?

Motion made - EULC will provide a collection intended for people in Haiti

Use envelopes or digital giving

https://acp-mn.com/ has a place to give where 100% makes it to Haiti

Tom Strobel, Gordon, AIF

Adjourn - Alyssa, Tom Strobel, AIF