

## East Union Lutheran Church

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## EAST UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Carver, Minnesota

[www.eulc.org](http://www.eulc.org)

952-448-3450

### 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**

# September 2022

## East Union Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 9am-1pm Church Office Open	2	3
4 Guest Preacher: Durk Peterson 9am Worship-Communion 10am Fellowship	5	6 9am-1pm Church Office Open	7	8 9am-1pm Church Office Open	9	10
11 Guest Preacher: Jacob Ulland 9am Worship 10am Fellowship	12 1pm Quilting Group 7pm Dahlgren Township Mtg	13 9am-1pm Church Office Open	14 6:30pm Confir- mation Orientation Night @ EU	15 9am-1pm Church Office Open	16	17
18 Rally Sunday Guest Preacher: Eric Aune 9am Worship-Communion 10am Fellowship 10am Rally Day Festivities	19	20 9am-1pm Church Office Open 6:30pm Council Meeting	21 6:30pm-8pm Confirmation @ EU	22	23	24
25 Guest Preacher: Jeanne Aamot 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 10am Sunday School	26 1pm Quilting Group	27 9am-1pm Church Office Open	28 6:30pm-8pm Confirmation @ EU	29 9am-1pm Church Office Open	30	

## Words from Our Committees

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**—The primary responsibility of the finance committee is to gather information from the various committees and formulate an annual budget. The budget is forwarded to the church council who make any modifications before submitting it to the congregation for approval at the annual meeting.

The finance committee also reviews unexpected expenses and communicates with the congregation how our revenue and expenses are tracking throughout the year.

Our committee members are: Chris Hallin (council representative), Kent Hasse, Gary Lokken, Brenda Lundquist, Paul Lundquist, Tom Lundquist, Jamie Scott, Janet Schultz, Barb Steers. If you are interested in joining, reach out to Chris.

Updated budget information through July 31, 2022:

Budgeted income: \$127,165

Total income: \$118,146

Variance budget: (\$9,019)

Budgeted contributions: \$92,835

Total Contributions: \$64,253

Variance contributions: (\$28,582)

Budgeted expenses: \$152,055

Actual expenses: \$167,381

Variance: \$14,326 (mostly property expenses)

**WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE**—The worship and music committee works with the pastor to plan services, select music, and schedule worship participants to read, prepare and serve communion, and present special music. The worship and music committee also coordinates the visual elements of worship such as paraments, flowers, banners, and candles. The committee meets as needed.

Current members: Barb Steers, Kathy Schallberg, Ann Decker & Gordon Decker

**FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE**—This committee is responsible for planning and implementing activities involving food events such as our past Chicken Dinner. We also help with funerals. We set up tables, make coffee and lemonade. We also help with serving and clean up. Food for funerals is to be catered. No prep is to take place in the kitchen. Committee will provide 2-4 kitchen helpers depending on size of funeral. We also make sure supplies are purchased for funerals and also coffee hour following worship on Sunday.

## Words from Our Committees—cont'd

### **PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

#### **Major Projects Completed so far in 2022**

- FM, cameras and sound system upgrade, thanks to Jason Wieland and Josh Bugbee.
- Eaves on Church covered with metal over bottom of the soffits.
- Parsonage soffits covered with metal and repaired framing components.
- Painted all Church outside wood trim and Steeple.
- Replaced the shutters on the Church.
- The roof on the Church was re-shingled.
- All windows replaced in Parish Center.
- New windows stained, followed by sanding sealer and poly coating on the Parish Center.
- Added new outside metal flashing around the windows on the Parish Center.
- Installed LED lights in the Parish center.
- Replaced the right side oven in the kitchen.
- Had all furnaces and Air-conditioning units inspected. Two units need to be replaced.

#### **Members of the Property Committee:**

Gary Lokken, 612-770-1790 [gary@lokken.net](mailto:gary@lokken.net) (Chairperson)

Dave Hellriegel, 612-803-8200 [dhellriegel@centurylink.net](mailto:dhellriegel@centurylink.net)

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## Youth Faith Formation (formerly Confirmation) Launch!

This is Pastor Adam writing excitedly about the bringing together of our two great churches into a shared youth ministry. I love to do Middle School and High School Ministry and believe in inviting kids into Be, Belong, and Become. They are welcomed as they are (be), relationships matter (belong), and we are all working on growing to be more like Christ (become).

Youth Faith Formation (has been known as confirmation) is a space for all youth upper middle school and high school to learn and grow in faithfulness to Christ. Part of the goal of the ministry is journeying with youth to a place where they affirm their Christian faith (the Rite of Confirmation).

We'll meet most Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00pm alternating between the two locations about every month. We'll share a free meal together (thank you Megan Salden for organizing and making!), break into a game, dig into learning and scripture, and bring it home with an activity. My classes are open for any and all questions, we learn, we laugh, we grow in faith.

Orientation begins September 14 at 6:30 at East Union where students and their caregiver/parent are expected to attend so we can answer questions, know the expectations, and get to know each other before we kick-off into Bible Bootcamp and the Apostle's Creed (Faith Foundations). Those are our starting lessons.

God's Peace!

Pastor Adam



## Sunday School!!!

**Sunday School Director**—Welcome to Melina Simonson! She has accepted the position to be our new director of Sunday School.

Hello Church Families! We plan to put the Sunday School Schedule in the newsletter each month so families know which weeks we are meeting and which weeks we are off. If any parent has questions about Sunday School or would like to assist, feel free to talk to Mel Simonson at church or call at: 320-304-1557.

### September Sunday School Schedule

9/18/22 Rally Sunday

9/25/22 Sunday School

### October Sunday School Schedule

10/02/22 Sunday School

10/09/22 Sunday School

10/16/22 Sunday School

10/23/22 No Sunday School

10/30/22 Sunday School

**Sunday School Registration**—Sunday School classes are held for children ages 3 through grade 5 on Sundays from 10am-11am. Sunday School is open to everyone! The first day of Sunday School is Rally Sunday. Please bring your completed registration forms to church or email (eastunionlc@gmail.com) before September 10th.

### **Rally Sunday** is September 18th!

Families are encouraged to come join us after church for food, carnival games and crafts! This is the start of our new Sunday School and Confirmation year. We are looking for donations of kids' books and new/gently used items for prizes. Please bring your donations to the Parish Center. If anyone is interested in helping with Rally Sunday or with the Youth Education Program, feel free to contact Mel Simonson at 320-304-1557.



# Sunday School Registration Form

Are you members of East Union Lutheran Church? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in learning more about becoming members (Y or N)?

<p>Child's name: _____</p> <p>Birthdate: _____ Age &amp; grade: _____</p> <p>Baptized? (Y or N) _____</p> <p>Please list any allergies, dietary or special needs: _____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Child's name: _____</p> <p>Birthdate: _____ Age &amp; grade: _____</p> <p>Baptized? (Y or N) _____</p> <p>Please list any allergies, dietary or special needs: _____</p> <p>_____</p>
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<p>Name of parent(s) or adult contact: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>Telephone: _____ Email: _____</p>	
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## Volunteers/helpers needed

Our Sunday school is in need of volunteer helpers in the following areas. Please check your area of interest.

\_\_\_\_\_ Sunday school teacher (every other Sunday)

\_\_\_\_\_ An extra pair of hands when needed



# Sunday School Registration Form—cont'd

Consent to use photos or video for Sunday school/church purpose

\_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

## **East Union Lutheran Church Accident Waiver and Release of Liability**

The undersigned parent/legal guardian hereby gives permission to East Union Lutheran Church, for their child (insert child(ren)'s name) \_\_\_\_\_ to take part in the East Union Lutheran Church Sunday School program and related events.

Should my child require immediate or emergency medical care while engaged in an activity sponsored by East Union Lutheran Church, in my absence, I hereby grant East Union Lutheran Church authority to release my child for medical treatment to such medical personnel as East Union Lutheran Church determines appropriate under the circumstances.

In consideration for the privilege of allowing my child to participate in the above-named activity, I agree to release and hold harmless East Union Lutheran Church, its officers and agents, from any liability to or responsibility for bodily injury, damage or illness to the above-identified child while participating in any youth athletic or social activity which may be directly or indirectly sponsored by East Union Lutheran Church. Further, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless East Union Lutheran Church, its officers and agents with respect to any claim asserted by or on behalf of my child as a result of bodily injury, illness or damage.

**Please read carefully, this permission slip is a legal document which includes release of liability and indemnification.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Emergency Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_



## Women's Bible Study

Bible Study will start on Sunday, October 2nd with a meet and greet in the Parish Center. We will start out studying Leviticus.

## Piano Fundraiser

The church has the opportunity to purchase Bob and Carol Kolodejchuk's Steinway & Sons Baby Grand Piano for the sanctuary. *[Steinway & Sons are possibly the most well known and revered piano manufacturer in the world. Every Steinway & Sons piano takes over a year to be built by their master craftsman and each piano is made of more than 12,000 parts.]* We would like to hold a fundraiser for this purchase by "selling" each of the 88 keys for \$125 each. If you are interested in purchasing a key or keys to support this fundraiser, please contact Barb Steers ([bstearsmn@gmail.com](mailto:bstearsmn@gmail.com)) or Gordon Decker ([gdecker62@gmail.com](mailto:gdecker62@gmail.com)) or the East Union Church office to submit your pledge. There is also a "keyboard" displayed in the back of the church where you can write your name or initials on a key to indicate your pledge. We are not asking for any funds at this point. If we do not have 75% of the funds pledged by September 20, we will discontinue the fundraising efforts and Bob and Carol will seek out other options to sell their Steinway.



## Fall Festival

Save the Date for Our Annual Fall Festival (Trunk N Treat) on Saturday, October 29th. Watch for more details.

## Towel Helpers Needed!

East Union has an active role in a Towel Ministry, part of ECC Love INC. Volunteering consists of filling towel orders and driving the towels to the client's home. You will receive training too!

Email Ann Decker: [adeckerchaska@gmail.com](mailto:adeckerchaska@gmail.com) if you are interested!



## 988 Suicide Crisis LifeLine

Hello! I wanted to touch base regarding 988, the new Suicide and Crisis Lifeline. In the past when someone was suicidal there was the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (1800-273-8255) that they could call and then talk to someone. They wanted to create a mental health number that was easy to remember like 911. 988 went live on July 16th, so this is a new number. The number is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week and is not just for individuals struggling with suicidal ideation. This is for any individual struggling with a mental health crisis. On their webpage ([988lifeline.org](https://988lifeline.org)) they have pages for “Emotional Wellbeing During COVID-19” and “Coping During Community Unrest” among other topics. I encourage everyone to take a look at their webpage and get familiar with the number as we want 988 to become as familiar as 911. I have ordered some wallet cards and will make them available when they arrive. Please feel free to talk to me at church if you have any questions. Mel Simonson, MSW, LICSW

## Food Shelf Donations

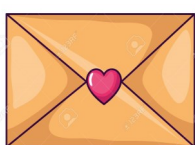
East Union Lutheran Church has a wonderful history of generosity to the local food shelf, giving both non-perishable food and personal care items to help alleviate the ongoing need for these items. There is a grocery cart in the Parish Center ready to accept your donations. If you would rather give a monetary donation, please write “food shelf” on your check or envelope and put it in the offering plate on Sunday. Your donations are greatly appreciated.



## Pastoral Care

If you are in need of pastoral care, please call the office and leave a message. Pastor Adam will be supporting any need; communion, a visit, just a chat on the phone or a prayer.

## Card Ministry Team



The Card Ministry Team is here for anyone in need of Christ’s love through a card. The ladies of the card ministry are here because you all are important to us.

## East Union Steeple People

Congratulations to The East Union Steeple People earning 4th place this year! It was a fun year with a few new players joining the team! Thankfully, no one was hurt playing this year, and we always had great support on the sidelines! Hopefully we can keep recruiting more players for next year!



## Church Newsletter

If you have an idea or want to contribute something for the newsletter, please email the church office [eastunionlc@gmail.com](mailto:eastunionlc@gmail.com). Thank you.

## Church Mailing Address

Please remember to use the PO Box when sending mail to the church. Our address is PO Box 283, Carver, MN 55315.





# East Union Lutheran Church

# Rally Sunday

We will be kicking off the school year with a Carnival themed Rally Sunday event. Take this time to meet the teachers, visit the Sunday school rooms, ask about volunteering opportunities and sharing the word of God.

- Meet with your Sunday School teacher
- Carnival games and craft projects
- Food and drinks will be provided
- Chance to get involved
- Sign up for Sunday school or Confirmation

**DATE: September 18th**

**TIME: Worship 9am**

**LOCATION: East Union Lutheran Church, Carver**

