

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn “God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind” #400

Dismissal Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

Thanks be to God.

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

Worship Leaders for September 21		Worship Leaders for September 28	
Preacher	Richard Braun	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers	Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte		Acolyte	
Lector	Sandy Karstens	Lector	Paul Lundquist
Run A/V	Jason Wieland	Run A/V	Jamie & Lori
Ushers	Kyle Bakkum & Dave Lundquist	Ushers	Larry Goetze & Doug Hillstrom
Altar Guild	Jeri Bowers & Carrie Hron	Altar Guild	Jeri Bowers & Carrie Hron
Altar Flowers	Ann & Gordon Decker	Altar Flowers	
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God Invites Our Generosity

9/14/25 Offering: \$3,414

Attendance: 87

Pentecost

September 21, 2025 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Prelude
Welcome, Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen.**
Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful and loving God, **we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.**

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of + Jesus, your sins are forgiven! **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn “Be Thou My Vision” #793
Greeting & This Is the Feast page 140
Prayer of the Day

God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid’s Sermon
First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

Amos was called by God to prophesy in the Northern Kingdom of Israel. Peace and prosperity in Israel led to corrupt business practices and oppression of the poor. The prophet declares that God will not tolerate such a situation.

Psalm 113

Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the Lord; praise the name of the Lord.
Let the name of the Lord be blessed, from this time forth forevermore.
From the rising of the sun to its going down let the name of the Lord be praised.
The Lord is high above all nations; God’s glory above the heavens.
Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high,
But stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

The pastoral epistles offer insight into how early Christians understood many practical matters, such as church administration and worship. The church’s focused prayer for others is an expression of the single-minded passion God has toward us in Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation “Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?” page 142

The Holy Gospel Luke 16:1-13

Jesus tells the curious story of a dishonest manager who cheats his employer and then is commended by him for having acted so shrewdly. Jesus wonders why his own followers are less creative and diligent in their stewardship given that they are managers of a far more valuable household.

Sermon Pastor Richard Braun

Hymn of the Day “Take My Life, That I May Be” #685

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

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song “We Are an Offering” #692

Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving & 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

Prayer after Communion—Let us pray together:

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.